



News and events from the organizations that meet at Suburban Lodge #740.

From the East:

## Moving Forward Together.



By Steven L. Freeman  
Worshipful Master

It's hard to believe that we are already over halfway through the year. Time is sure flying by. It has been

an honor and a privilege to serve as Master of our lodge this year. I have been truly blessed.

As a result of a change in our Bylaws, this year we began meeting twice a month on the first and third Thursdays rather than meeting weekly. I have heard from both those

who were for and against this change. I know that some changes are good, and some are not. But as long as they are made for the right reason, they may prove helpful.

As we attend our lodge meetings, each officer is called upon to perform his duty to the best of his ability. Like one of our Past Masters has said, we often hear little voices from the past saying, "that's not the way we do it," or "those are not the right words." My favorite is, "That's not the Suburban way." We all try to do what our past Master Masons have done.

It's nice to see some new faces around the lodge since we began meeting twice a month. So, if you are free and have nothing else to do on a Thursday, please come on up and hang out with your brothers. We are starting to see more members come around than they have in the past. Let's keep that up and finish 2024 with a bang! If you ever have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me any time.

Fraternally,  
Steven L. Freeman  
Worshipful Master, 2024



Past Masters attending Past Masters Night on August 29.



Rose Flamm receives her certificate of recognition at Widows Night on May 30.

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Greeting from the West:

## What Interests Me Most About Masonry?



Hank Buckwalter  
Senior Warden

Throughout our finite time on this planet, what are we to do? Are we to only help ourselves progress with or without consequence up various social and financial ladders, or are we here in this life to serve others and become better men in the all-seeing eye of our Lord? With our faith, hope, and charity, Masonry empowers us

to answer these questions. What interests me most about Masonry? That's a difficult question to satisfy with only one reply, as it has many answers and many applications. We apply our obligations, our working tools, and participate in our Fraternity. We hold steadfast to our obligations, we utilize our tools, and we work to fortify our Fraternity and all that it brings to our lives and the greater community. These factors interest me most, and we as Masons must never forget this.

Along with my faith, Masonry has reminded me that our time here in life must be spent wisely, effectively, and gratefully. I require reminders at times to remember this and embody it. Masonry adds such flavor and encouragement that it maintains my interest and makes me a better man. Throughout careful attention to my needs, my participation will continue and my zeal will remain in Masonry and my Brother Masons. ✦

Masonic Youth:

## What's Going On With Rainbow Girls?

by Eleanor "Ellie" Fugate

The International Order of Rainbow for Girls in Kentucky had their 74th Grand Assembly June 21-23, 2024 at the Scottish Rite Temple. Natalie Gasparac from Magoffin Assembly presided as Grand Worthy Advisory at her "Faith, Trust, & Fairy Dust" session. Her philanthropy during her term was working with various nursing homes focusing on Alzheimer's and memory care patients.

Friday night was our opening session with introductions and greetings from our out of state guests. Saturday morning, we initiated five new girls into our order. Following the initiation, we had our memorial service, service degree, and majority degrees. After, we had our Grand Cross Luncheon and inducted Grand Master Dick Short and seven other dedicated adults and Rainbow Girls into the Grand Cross. Saturday night, we had our Grand Banquet. It was great to have so many of our sponsoring orders in attendance. At

the session, we had greetings from our sponsoring bodies and received many donations. In fact, Dick was able to raise over \$400 within minutes to help our order. Thank you to everyone for their support in our endeavors. Kassie Parrish, our Supreme Deputy, appointed the Grand Officers and Grand Representatives for the next year. Sunday morning, we had our Prayer Brunch and installation. We presented 5 girls with \$500 scholarships. In the spring, they are eligible to renew their scholarship for an additional \$500.

Next year's Grand Assembly will be June 20-22, 2025 with Elizabeth Rademaker presiding as Grand Worthy Advisor. Her theme is "Find your Dream with Kentucky Rainbow". Her philanthropy is March of Dimes and has asked each assembly to raise \$250 to donate to the organization along with helping with additional local events.

We will be traveling to Virginia for our biennial Supreme Session in July 2025. Elizabeth will be representing

Kentucky Rainbow as Acting Supreme Drill Leader and Brooklyn Keith will be representing Kentucky in the Cavalcade of Flags.

Kentucky Rainbow would like to say a HUGE THANK YOU to Suburban Social Club for allowing us the opportunity to work at the fish fries every other weekend. We distribute the fish fries to our local assemblies to provide each assembly with an opportunity to fundraise for their assembly. We also designate a few for the state to assist with our general and scholarship fund. With the contributions and assistance for our sponsoring orders, we are able to provide scholarships for our girls to "Choose Joy" in their further education goals.

If you know any girls interested in joining Rainbow or have any questions, please contact Kassie Parrish at kentuckyiorg@hotmail.com. More information about Rainbow can be found on our website at iorgky.org. ✦

Greeting from the South:

# Thanks for Helping with the Fish Fry.



Ron Adcock  
Junior Warden

If you do not attend Lodge, you may not know that, in addition to serving as Junior

Warden, I am also proud to serve as President of the Suburban Social Club. As President, I want to thank my fellow officers—First Vice President Bo Jordan (PM), Second Vice President Stan Robinson (PM), Secretary David Short (PM), and Treasurer Clinton Carrier (PM)—for the many things they do to make our Fish Fry work. I also want to thank all those Brothers who have volunteered their time this season to see that the Fish Fry continues its tradition of selling excellent fish and raising money for charitable causes.

The Wednesday crews cover two jobs. One crew prepares and mixes the marinade into which they will stir 200 to 250 pounds of diced onions in large barrels to become our famous marinated onions that will be cupped on Friday by another crew. The other crew cups our tasty Amish coleslaw.

The Thursday crew meets the GFS truck that arrives with the supplies and food items we need for the Fish Fry. Among other things, each week they typically receive a thousand pounds or so of frozen Atlantic Codfish that they remove from boxes and place on trays that are then placed on racks so that the fish can thaw overnight and be ready for mealing early Friday morning. In addition to stocking away the various supplies used each Saturday, the Thursday crew also utilizes a repurposed cement mixer to mix the cornmeal, flour, salt and pepper into meal that is poured into a large tub from which it is scooped into buckets and lidded before being placed at the

two tables where mealers will batter and meal the fish the next morning. Multiple crews work on Fridays, which begin at “O’DarkThirty” with preparing the batter in a large blender to be poured into battering trays used by the mealers. Meanwhile the fish that has thawed overnight is removed from the rack trays and placed into drain buckets that are carried one by one to the preparation tables to be battered and mealed. The mealed fish is then placed onto clean trays and into racks that are stored in the walk-in cooler to be brought out and fried the next day.

After cleanup, everyone enjoys a big breakfast prepared for them each week by Brother Rusty Portman, who holds the record for serving as the Social Club’s President for ten straight years! Following breakfast, another crew drains and cups the marinated onions prepared by the Wednesday crew, then places them in totes and stores them in the walk-in cooler. Sometime after that job is completed, a final work crew comes in and conducts a thorough cleanup after the other crews.

Whew! That’s a lot of work that’s done before our customers come in on a Saturday to witness our Fish Fry in action and enjoy our fish. In addition to Suburban Social Club members, Saturday volunteers include members and representatives of various assemblies of Rainbow Girls and the Cherokee Chapter of Demolay for Boys, who work at the Fish Fry on alternate Saturdays.

If I have missed anyone, please forgive me, but at the risk of forgetting a name or two, I want to shine a spotlight on those Brothers who regularly go out of their way to help keep our Fish Fry going at a time when our numbers are dwindling. The next time you run into one of them, please be sure to thank

them for their valuable contributions for the good of our Lodge. (Despite the focus on my Brothers, I would be remiss to fail to mention the wives of two Brothers who volunteer their time on Saturdays—Teresa Robinson and Terri Coffey. They work as hard as or harder than anyone.)

**Wed. Crews:** Stan Robinson, Jim Portman, Bill Harvey, Wayne Carby, Bo Jordan, David Short, Tony Vincent, Todd Neal

**Thurs. Crew:** Carl Cox, Burnis Pitts, Steve Freeman, Bo Jordan, David Short, David Swango, Tom Mercer

**Fri. Crews:** Rusty Portman, Burnis Pitts, Tony Vincent, Mike “Red” Hecht\*, Sam Brown\*\*, Lee Borders, Tom Holcomb, David Swango, Todd Neal, Tom Mercer, Gene Portman, Gene Younger, Sr., Carl Cox, Greg Coffey

**Sat. Crew:** Bill Baker, Gary Rainey, Chris Burkhart, Ron Adcock, Rick Adcock, Stan Robinson, Clinton Carrier, Clayton Carrier, Kenny Carrier, Bo Jordan, Jim Jordan, David Short, Wayne Carby, Ralph Copeland, Scott Starkey, Todd Neal, Greg Coffey, John Gallai, Jr., Jerry Surbaugh, Tom Holcomb, Carl Cox, Tony Vincent, David Swango, Timur Iermolenko, Paul Ballinger, Tom Mercer.

We could not continue our 100+ years history without the help of people like these. ❖

*\* Red is a longtime member of an Indiana Masonic Lodge, but he has worked almost every Friday for Suburban’s Fish Fry for many years. As a result, he has been named an honorary member of Suburban Lodge.*

*\*\* While Sam has never applied for membership, he donates his time to Suburban Lodge as a friend of Brother Donnie Brown and it is much appreciated.*

From the Desk of the Secretary :

# Moving from “Snail-mail” to E-mail



G. Thomas “Tom” Mercer  
PM (2014)  
Secretary

Centuries ago,  
Greek philosopher  
Heraclitus

proclaimed, “The only constant in life is change.” Affirming the truth of the philosopher’s words, change has now come to Suburban Lodge No. 740’s newsletter, Our Corner. **This edition will be the last one that is “snail-mailed” to our membership as a whole. Henceforth, Our Corner will be sent out to each of our members by e-mail, as Suburban Lodge finally joins the 21st Century. A copy of each edition also will be available to you on our website, [www.suburban740.com](http://www.suburban740.com).**

As we try to return to publishing four editions of our newsletter each year (as we did before Covid 19 got us out of that practice beginning in

2020), these changes in the method of delivery of Our Corner will save our Lodge over \$2,000 each year in printing, copying and mailing costs. Additionally, it will save us the numerous hours of labor involved in taking each edition of our newsletter to a printing company for copying and then returning to pick them up, labeling and stamping envelopes, folding and inserting each newsletter into those envelopes, and then taking them to the post office for mailing.

One of my objectives as the new Secretary has been to gather all the email addresses of our members so that our Lodge can utilize the Grand Lodge’s new computer system for the Secretaries of Subordinate Lodges to send Blast emails to all our Lodge members at once. In the course of that ongoing effort, I have learned that there is a small number of older members who do not have email addresses.

If you do not have an email address, then please provide me with the email address of a close family member who can help you receive Lodge communications through their email address. If that solution is not possible, then you can write a brief note to me letting me know your situation. If I cannot help you figure out another solution, we will continue to send you Our Corner by regular mail. (This should apply to no more than a handful of members.)

If you find your name among those on the list of Brothers below whose email addresses I do not have, PLEASE DO NOT CALL ME. (I get swamped with phone calls.) Instead, just TEXT me at (502) 609-2143, email me at [tom.mercer@outlook.com](mailto:tom.mercer@outlook.com), or write me at:

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## Email Addresses Needed

Don’t miss the next copy of Our Corner or the next Blast email!

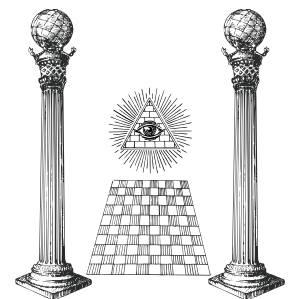
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Robert Evans  
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Joseph Feldpauch  
Darrell Fogle  
Daniel Forbis  
Wilbur Foster  
Keith Gallai  
Kenneth Garrett  
Walter Gatewood  
Matthew Gnau  
Denzil Goode  
Eugene Hack

Barry Harshfield  
Johnny Hart  
William Hess  
Jackie Hollifield  
Jackie Hooper  
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Paul Stevens  
Kenneth Tharp  
Lloyd White, IV  
Alan Whitlow  
Kevin Williar  
Duane Witten  
Gene Younger, Jr.



# He Wore the Apron: Danny Thomas



Born Muzyad Yakhoob in Dearborn, Michigan, and later known as Amos Jacobs, Danny Thomas was best known for his television portrayal of Danny Williams on Make Room For Daddy. He appeared in many films and television shows, and partnered with Sheldon Leonard and Aaron Spelling to create shows such as The Dick Van Dyke Show, The Andy Griffith Show, and The Mod Squad.

Thomas also founded the St. Jude's Children Research Hospital in Memphis in 1962 and raised \$12 million annually to keep it operating.

Brother Thomas' initiation on March 15, 1984 led to a brief withdrawal of recognition by the Grand Lodge of California of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey from August 29, 1984 to October 19, 1984, as Thomas was a resident of California at the time. This incident did not prevent him from going on to be an active Shriner and to publicly speak glowingly about Freemasonry. ❖

Initiated: March 15, 1984  
Grand Lodge of New Jersey

Source: *Freemasons Who Made a Difference*

## OCTOBER 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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## NOVEMBER 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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## DECEMBER 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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22	23	24	25	26	27 	28
29	30	31				

- Lodge Meeting . . . . . 7:30pm
- Fish Fry . . . . . 10:00am-5:00pm
- Hall Association . . . . . 5:30pm
- DeMolay . . . . . 7:00pm
- Social Club . . . . . 7:00pm

## Masonic Youth:

# Cherokee Member Installed as State MC

by Greg Coffey  
Executive Officer, Kentucky Demolay

Kentucky DeMolay's Summer Conclave was held on July 18-21, 2024, at the Cave City Convention Center in Cave City, Kentucky. It was a great weekend with a lot of fun and exciting new appointments.

**Christian Green** of Cherokee Chapter in Louisville, Kentucky was installed as the 75th State Master Councilor of Kentucky DeMolay.

The remaining State Officers are: State Junior Councilor, **Easton Burton**; State Senior Deacon, **Sebastian Gallai**; State Chaplain, **Ali Alshaiikli**; State Marshal, **Mason Morton**; State Scribe, **Ben Daniels**, State Junior Steward, **Trapper Vincent**. The Annual Conclave was conducted under the leadership of 2023-2024 State Master Councilor **Braxton Frazier**. **Ben Daniels** was elected Illustrious Knight Commander for the C. Frye Haley Memorial Priory.

Representatives from virtually every Masonic fraternal body and youth

group attended the Grand Banquet. They were: Most Worshipful, Richard F. Short, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Kentucky 2023-2024, Mitchell May, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Kentucky 2023-2024; Luke Martin, Grand Senior Warden, Grand Lodge of Kentucky 2023-2024; Terry Boggess, Grand Junior Warden Grand Lodge of Kentucky 2023-2024; Don Yankey, PGM, Grand Secretary Grand Lodge of KY 2023-2024; Terry Bowman, PGM, S.G.I.G for the Orient of KY Scottish Rite, Honorary Member of International Supreme Council of the Order of DeMolay; **Jackson Noble**, Grand Worthy Associate Advisor, International Order of Rainbow for Girls, 2023-2024 and Kay Parrish, Grand Executive Board, Kentucky Rainbow, and Escort to the Right Worthy Associate Grand; Mary Ann Edmunds, Worthy Grand Matron, Grand Chapter of KY, OES 2023-2024; Grand Royal Matron John Goolsby, represented the Order of Amaranth in Kentucky.

Also in attendance were Dad Patton R. Hart, Past Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Kentucky; Past Grand

Master of DeMolay International; Dad Bill Workman, Active Member of International Supreme Council of the Order of DeMolay; Dad Lenny Demoranville, Deputy Member of International Supreme Council of the Order of DeMolay; Dad Jon Elbert, Deputy Member of International Supreme Council of the Order of DeMolay;

Dad Bill Brawner was inducted into the Kentucky DeMolay Hall of Fame for 2024. Bill is a longtime advisor and supporter of Kentucky DeMolay. Brother **Ben Daniels** of Northern Kentucky Chapter was named DeMolay of the year for 2024-2025. Dad John Gallai of Cherokee Chapter was named Advisor of the Year for 2024-2025.

The Jurisdictional staff of Kentucky DeMolay were present to assist the DeMolays in making this Annual Conclave one to remember. Their enthusiasm and hard work are integral to keep programs intact and are the sustenance that leads to growth and development of Kentucky DeMolay. ♦

## 2024 Suburban Lodge

# Important Dates to Remember

EVENTS	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Suburban Officers Bake Sale	12 Oct.	6:30 pm	Suburban Lodge
Grand Lodge Conference	Oct. 21-22	9am	Galt House
Veterans & First Responders	Oct. 31	6:30 pm	Suburban Lodge
Election of Officers	Dec. 27	7:30 pm	Suburban Lodge
Installation of Officers	TBA		

*Note: Some of these dates, and times may change. More will be added in future newsletters.*