



Buechel Lodge #896 F&AM

Issue 1

February 2011

7801 Bardstown Rd
Louisville, KY

1st and 3rd Thursdays
7:30 pm

2011 BUECHEL LODGE OFFICERS

- Master** - John Cissell
- Senior Warden** - Adriaan Kroon
- Junior Warden** - Joe Cooley
- Secretary** - Terry Triplett, PM
- Treasurer** - Ed Ackerman, PM
- Senior Deacon** - Jim Carter
- Junior Deacon** - Alex Carter
- Senior Steward** - John Fischer
- Junior Steward** - Michael Slaughter
- Tyler** - Ray Wheeler, PM
- Chaplain** - Tom Middleton, PM
- Marshall** - Tony Sattich, PM

A Message from the East

Brethren,

Welcome to Buechel Lodge, 2011. We are a lodge of humble beginnings that has already accomplished extraordinary things. Our proud history is known in the several corners of the Commonwealth of Kentucky as well as in various lodges across the country and in Canada. We have traveled far and wide spreading Masonic Light and served this Grand Jurisdiction, as well as the appendant bodies, in both appointed and elected office. Buechel has always been ready to answer the call of the needy brethren, their wife, widow or orphan, and for over 90 years we have labored upon that collective house, not made with hands, but eternal in the heavens.

This year we will focus equally on our past, present and future. With the experience and wisdom of our forebears, and the energy of today, we will endeavor to build better communication within the craft, solidify our ritual competency and plant the seeds for our future. 2011 is the first year of a decade which culminates in our Centennial Celebration, and the designs on the trestle board are being written by our regular and zealous attendance as well as our zeal for this great fraternity. Your energy and dedication to this craft are of vital importance if we are to accomplish our goals for this year and the decade that follows. We are laying the cornerstone for the future.

In an effort to better serve you, the Officers have assembled a calendar of events for 2011 which is included with this newsletter. There are several events of note this year, including our traditional Past Masters Night which I hope you will place on your calendar and make a special effort to attend. An invitation will be extended to all of those brothers who are candidates for

the office of Grand Junior Warden at the 2011 Grand Communication to visit Buechel Lodge at a regular business meeting and address the brethren to communicate their vision for Masonry. A regular attendance will certainly provide you greater insight into both the business of Buechel and our Grand Lodge.

It is also my sincere hope that you will be able to find a bit of extra time to lend your special talents to the betterment of our craft, whether those efforts be in the participation in our several degrees, volunteering to assist a committee, visiting with our sick brothers, helping to see to the needs of our Masonic widows, assisting with our fund raising events or working with the Degree Team, it is through your efforts that we are best able to work and succeed.

Several challenges await us this year, as well, and we will work to address these challenges head on. Necessarily, the Finance Committee will present a budget in January, the By-Laws Committee will need to review our current By-Laws to ensure compliance with the current Grand Lodge Constitution, and the Building Committee will be asked to provide an analysis of our current and future facility needs.

We, who have been elected to serve as Officers this year, will strive to present a year of valuable content, education, and programming. I look forward to seeing each of you at lodge very soon.

Travel Safe My Brothers,
John Cissell
Worshipful Master, Buechel Lodge #896

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Feb 26th– Master Mason degree**
- March 3rd– Meeting**
- March 17th– Meeting**
- March 26th– Family Night**

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

RECENT DEATHS

Buford Devine
William "Bill" Lewellen

SICK & DISTRESSED

2011 Buechel Lodge Officers



Top Row: (left to right): Adriaan Kroon, Senior Warden; John Cissell, Master; John Fischer, Senior Steward; Tony Sattich, Marshall
Bottom Row: Michael Slaughter; Junior Steward; Alex Carter, Junior Deacon; Joe Cooley, Junior Warden;
Jim Carter; Senior Deacon; Tom Middleton, Chaplain. (Not Pictured: Terry Triplett, Secretary and Ed Ackerman; Treasurer)

On the evening of December 18, 2010 Buechel Lodge was called to order for the annual Installation of Officers. The evening began with a gathering and fellowship in the Dining Hall where the members and families assembled enjoyed the efforts of Past Master Frank McAllister's kitchen magic. After one of the finer meals in recent lodge memory, the guests reassembled in the Lodge Room to witness the installation of the officers for the 2011 Masonic Year.

Brother John D. Cissell was duly installed into the Oriental Chair Of King Solomon at the hand of the Grand Tiler, Brother G. Michael Miller with the assistance of Past Master Noel D. Cissell who acted as the Installing Marshal. After being duly obligated as Master and seating in the East, Worshipful Master Cissell attended to the first great obligation of any new Master by seeing that his officers were properly installed. However, in a break from recent Buechel tradition, Brother Cissell choose to install his officers instead of delegating the responsibility to another. Senior Warden-Elect Adriaan Kroon knelt at the Alter representing all of the elected and appointed officers, who were gathered around him with hands over their hearts as they entire group recited their solemn obligation. Afterwards, Past Master Noel Cissell presented each officer to their respective station and declared them duly installed.

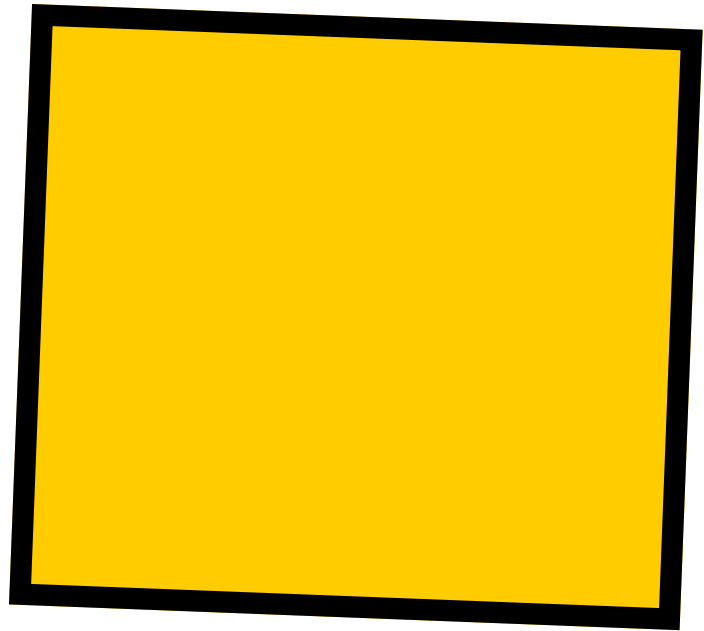
As the fourth member of his family to be installed in the Buechel Lodge Master's Chair, Worshipful Master Cissell thanked his wife Whitney and family as well as the other guests assembled to

share this event. He spoke about the honor of following in the footsteps of the great leaders who preceded him. In addition to the Master's father, Past Master Noel Cissell (1979), and grandfather, Past Master John E Moyers (1959), WM Cissell is the great grandson of Past Master Charles E Sharp (1961). He challenged the craft to honor our past and present, all with an eye toward the future of Masonry and Buechel Lodge. An ambitious calendar of events is already planned for 2011 and the brothers were encouraged to make a regular attendance of the lodge's business. Finally, Worshipful Master Cissell called on each officer for a few words. Several presentations were made to Worshipful Master Cissell, including a magnificent hand crafted gavel from his wife which he is proud to use at each communication. The lodge made a presentation to Past Master Arnold Wyatt, who is one of the two Buechel Masters that have served the Grand Lodge of Kentucky as Grand Master and the 2010 officers presented Junior Past Master Wayne Weaver with a special Past Masters Apron and lapel pin. Even with the challenging weather and lamentable absence of several members who would normally have attended, a fine time was had by all in attendance. We look forward to seeing you again real soon at Buechel Lodge!

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John D. Cissell
Master

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Attention!!!

Brethren,

In an effort to make communication easier, we request that if any brother has contact info that has changed or has an email address that can be used to stay in contact, please notify Terry Triplett at 502-473-7844 or email master@buechel896.com.
