

Midwest Regional Conference Information and Registration Packet (Click here!)

From the Desk of the Most Worshipful Grand Master

The role of the Grand Master comes with many tasks, stresses, and challenges. As I ensure that our organization continues with our great work, I must ensure that our bills are paid; our problems are solved; and our lodges/chapters are functioning according to our constitution and bylaws. This work is a given, but the real work I would like to facilitate is the vision for our organization. I will be focused on our efforts to increase our membership. I am asking that each member bring another member into the order. I am also asking that as lodges and chapters we reach out to our members that are disengaged and aging. As an order, we must do a better job of supporting our aging members, as we are obligated to do. I also



want to ensure that we are communicating to each other. Our lodges and chapters are spread throughout this commonwealth and it is extremely important that we support each others work. The only way to support each others work is to know what is going on across this state with our chapters and lodges. That is the purpose for this newsletter. This newsletter is a draft of how we would like to share what is going on with the Prince Hall Masonic Family of KY on a regular basis. As I come to a close, I want to remind each of you that we have a few major events that are quickly approaching. The first event is the Mid-west Regional Conference of Grand Masters. We are greatly in need of your help with this event. You can find more details in the article that has been included in this newsletter. We are also planning and preparing for our Grand Communication.

Thanks for your continued support and work for the Prince Hall Masonic Family of Kentucky!

From the Desk of the Grand Worthy Matron

Greetings and Salutations from the office of the 52nd elected Grand Worthy Matron of Cecelia Dunlap Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star of Kentucky, Inc., Prince Hall Affiliation.

I am honored to be chosen to serve and lead an organization where men and women with high morals and social character can join and contribute their time, energy, and wisdom to our order with charity, truth and loving kindness.

As we continue to be dedicated, visible and accountable members of the Order of the Eastern star we will see our organization grow and we will continue to be a light that shines bright in our communities.

In this New Day and Year of Accountability, together we will continue to move forward.

By God's Grace and For God's Glory.

Carla D. Goode Thomas

Grand Worthy Matron



MWRC Online Registration

MWRC Hotel Reservation

Please reference group name and code, when placing your reservation: Group Name: Grand Lodge 2024

Midwest Grand Master / Code: GLM 2024

MWPHGL 2024 Calendar and Blocked Dates (Click here!)



2023-2024 MWPHGL F& AM of Kentucky Grand Cabinet



23-24 Cecelia Dunlap Grand Chapter Elected Officers



TIGER Foundation Funding Requirement Report

District Deputies:

In order to ensure that we continue to secure funding for the TIGER Foundation, we must

Introducing your Grand Cabinet Members:

Johnny L. Ware No. 172

Most Worshipful Grand Master

Anthony D. Harris No. 104

R. W. Deputy Grand Master Simeon Pullum No. 104

R. W. Senior Grand Warden

Dennis Phifer No. 170

R. W. Junior Grand Warden

Garvin G. Hinds No. 137

R. W. Grand Treasurer

Kevin L. Crittenden No. 87

R. W. Grand Secretary

Robert C. Newton No. 104

MWPGM/Grand Parliamentarian

Dwight R. Barnett No. 28

MWPGM/CCFC

Introducing Cecelia Dunlap
Grand Chapter Elected Officers:

Carla D. Goode Thomas Grand Worthy Matron

Michael P. Jordan

Grand Worthy Patron

Nakeyae Street

Grand Associate Matron

Marlon Bynum

Grand Associate Patron

M. Denise Watts

Grand Conductress *Anna Lessa Wilson*

Grand Associate Conductress

Brenda J. Ford-Ware Grand Treasurer Felecia J. Ballard

Grand Secretary / PGWM

report on the use of distributed funds. A link to the TIGER Foundation Funding Requirement Report has been provided below. If you have submitted the paper version, there is no need to complete the report below.

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Overview of the TIGER Foundation

The Tiger Foundation, Inc., a tax-exempt private foundation established by The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge F&AM of Kentucky, Inc., works collaboratively with local Lodges and communities on initiatives aligned with the mission of the Foundation.



"To provide responsive services (programs) in partnership with families and communities across the Commonwealth to strengthen the economic, educational, social, and emotional well-being of youth and promote their healthy development."

The Tiger Foundation Vision

"A community in which the emotional and social well-being of children and families are developed and nurtured." Provided a Computer/Learning Lab, that consist of 10 computer stations with wireless connection. This will allow children to complete School work, After school programs and Adult Education and Job Training at no cost.

The Tiger Foundation Goals

Goal One:

• To provide intellectual and cultural opportunities that develops and enhances scholarship and intellectual curiosity.

Strategies:

- Encourage minority students to choose and be successful in Advance Placement courses.
- Seek grant opportunities to support weekend tutoring and enrichment programs.
- Support effective intervention strategies for minority students while in the P-12 system.
- Support programs that strengthen the college-bound and completion culture within the minority community.

Goal Two:

Decrease knowledge barriers to college preparation and access.

Strategies:

- Identify and make available academic support programs in communities where Masonic Lodges are located.
- Seek grants that support programs identified by experts to facilitate student success toward college preparation.
- Seek collaborative opportunities to assist students and families to better understand how to identify resources to help pay for college, including FASFA completion.
- The Computer /Learning Lab will be supported by retired educators to work with children to achieve better outcomes in classroom. This program will operate during school months and during summer break.
- The Computer /Learning Lab will allow under employed Adults to attend job training and get full time employment.

Goal Three:

• Increase financial well-being through exposure to the value of post-secondary education.

Strategies:

- Build upon the success of strategies implemented by K-12 to fulfill the mandates of HB 1 passed by the 2009 Session of the Kentucky General Assembly.
- Encourage the use of technology (online learning) to access additional educational opportunities and degree attainment at the associate degree or higher.

How Can the Tiger Foundation Help Your Organization?

- Allow for the solicitation of tax deductible, contributions.
- Provide donors with an assurance that gifts will be managed and utilized in alignment with the purposes in which they were solicited.
- Total oversight and management of financial gifts

What must I do to initiate utilization of the Tiger Foundation?

Schedule a consultation with Johnny Ware, Executive Director

Email: <u>Tigerfoundation2009@gmail.com</u>

Phone: 502-749-6006



Let us know how you are shining your "LIGHT"

The MWPHGL of KY would like to showcase how lodges and chapters are shining their "Light". Please submit pictures (jpeg) and written text (email or word document) to the contact below so that we can showcase lodge and chapter activities across the state:

Dwayne Roberts

robertsdwayne502@gmail.com



Pink J. Garner Computer Learning Lab

Through grant funding, a computer lab was added to the Parkland Masonic Temple to be used by the TIGER Foundation. This lab is equipped with 9 computers, along with furnishings.



TIGER Foundation Learning HUB

The TIGER Foundation
Learning HUB currently serves
15 students in an afterschool
program (Tuesday, Wednesday,
and Thursdays 4:30-6pm). The
Learning HUB operates as a
collaboration between Evolve
502, TIGER Foundation, and
Maupin Elementary.



Thanks for your donations to the TIGER Foundation and the Crusade!

The TIGER Foundation staff would like to thank the Prince Hall Masonic Family for your support through your donations to the TIGER Foundation and the Crusade for Children! We have pictured the brothers from Cyrus Chapter No. 4 of the Holy Royal Arch Masons presenting their donation.



Learning Hub Students!

Learning Hub students are provided with two snacks; learning support; SEL Activities; and Enrichment Activities on weekly basis. These activities are all made possible through your donations and volunteer hours. If you would like to volunteer, please reach out to Dwayne Roberts (502-609-5307 / robertsdwayne502@gmail.com

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Evolve502 Learning Hub Enrichment Activity

The TIGER Foundation and the Learning Hub partner with Evolve502 to provide weekly Enrichment Activities and a summer learning program. Evolve502 provides literacy tutoring a tutor for our Learning Hub and various student/family supports throughout the school year and the summer.

Learning Hub Location:

Parkland Temple

Learning Hub Days: Monday,

Wednesday, Friday

Learning Hub Hours: 4:30-6pm

STRAIGHT FROM THE SOUL

KENTUCKY 2024 SOUL TRAIN riday, April 5 PM-12AM

PEOPLE AROUND THE MIDWEST JOIN IN ON

KENTUCKY SOUL TRAIN CHECK IT OUT! TO GET ON BOARD! ALL **YOU NEED IS SINGERS,** DANCERS, AND MAYBE A FEW MUSICIANS. HAVING A GROOVY TIME. COME ON BOARD!





COME DRESSED IN YOUR FUNKIEST, OUT OF SIGHT, DY-NO-MITE, THROW BACK SOUL TRAIN ATTIRE!



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