

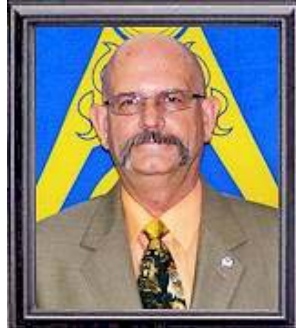


# The Keystone

2013 Edition 2 (March/April) - [www.texasorkrite.org/local/arlington](http://www.texasorkrite.org/local/arlington)



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Worshipful Master  
Arlington Lodge 438



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Thrice Illustrious Master  
Arlington Council 314



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HP and Commander  
Arlington Chapter 376  
Commandery 107



Robert Kirk  
Pre-Eminent Governor  
Trinity York Rite College

Companions,

Spring is almost upon us and it is the time of renewal of not only nature but also our faith in our Savior. As we get ready to celebrate that important event of Easter. Let us remember our Lord's resurrection as a remembrance of moving from darkness to light.

Spring is also a mark in time to let us know that this Masonic year for the present officers of Chapter and Council is close to being over and we will need to start working on the election process again.

Which brings up a major concern for me since the attendance and participation has been very low this year. Companions for our Chapter and Council to remain in operation we need for our members to return to our meetings and be willing to help in the running of the lodges.

Finally, I would like to thank the officers and substitutes for the great work in our inspection at the February meeting. Without the dedication of your hard work in learning your parts in the opening and closing of the lodge our score wouldn't have so high. Thank you again!

Sincerely,  
Jerry Chamberlain

**STATED MEETING: MONDAY, MARCH 11 – EAT AT 6:00 PM**

**PM AND MEM DEGREES ON 2 OF OUR OWN CANDIDATES IN FORT WORTH TEMPLE  
MONDAY, MARCH 18, AT 6:30 PM – 3<sup>RD</sup> FLOOR RED ROOM**

160th ANNUAL GRAND CONCLAVE  
GRAND COMMANDERY OF TEXAS  
Addison, Texas - **April 12-15, 2013**



Want a seat at the Annual Grand Communication?  
Registration forms are on the website.

<http://www.texasorkrite.org/commandery/>

#### AREA 2013 REMAINING OFFICIAL VISIT SCHEDULE

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| Fri, March 8, 2013  | Grand Praire Chapter/Council<br>Eat 6:00 PM |
| Mon, March 11, 2013 | Riverside Chapter/Council<br>Eat 6:00 PM    |
| Mon, April 1, 2013  | Midlothian Chapter/Council<br>Eat 6:00 PM   |
| Tue, April 2, 2013  | Texas Chapter/Council<br>Eat 6:00 PM        |
| Mon, April 8, 2013  | Hurst Chapter/Council<br>Eat 6:30 PM        |

**TRINITY YORK RITE COLLEGE 154**



**ANNUAL MEETING**

**CONFERRAL FOR NEW CANDIDATES  
ELECTION / INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**

**SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2013  
AT ARLINGTON MASONIC LODGE #438  
1415 WEST ABRAM  
ARLINGTON TX**

**BREAKFAST 8:00 AM - MEETING 9:00 AM**

**Our next meeting is Tuesday April 30 at the Fort  
Worth Temple 6:45 following TCYRA, where it is  
the last chance to vote on new candidates**

All Sir Knights who are not members, and are interested in learning more about the York Rite College, contact:

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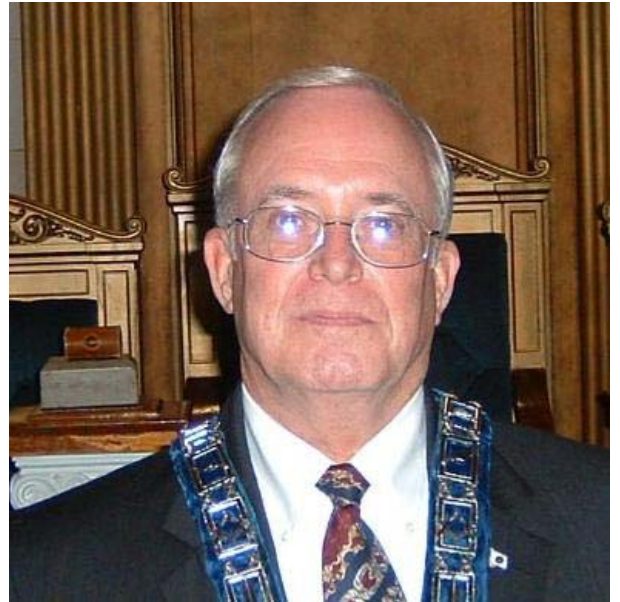
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**TARRANT COUNTY  
YORK RITE ASSOCIATION NEWS**



**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR  
NEW PRESIDENT  
DAVID SEBASTIAN**



**NEXT MEETING:**

**TUESDAY, APRIL 30<sup>TH</sup> AT 6:45 PM  
FORT WORTH TEMPLE**

**2013 TARRANT COUNTY YORK RITE FESTIVAL SCHEDULED**

The 2013 Tarrant County York Rite Festival schedule has been announced. This year it will be on Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>.

On Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup> will be the Mark Master, Past Master and Most Excellent Master Degree  
On Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup> will be the Royal Arch Degree, Council Degrees and Commandery Orders.

The preliminary organizational meeting will be Wednesday night, March 20<sup>th</sup> 6:30 PM at the Fort Worth Temple on 1100 Henderson Street. If you are interested in working on the festival committee, you are heartily invited to attend.

**Preliminary Festival Chapter/Council Participants**

**Mark Master – Southside Chapter  
Past Master – Arlington Chapter  
Most Excellent Master – Ridglea Chapter  
Royal Arch Degree – Tarrant Chapter**

**Royal Masters Degree – Riverside Council  
Select Masters Degree – Texas Council**

**Order of the Red Cross – Southside Commandery  
Order of Malta – Arlington Commandery  
Order of the Temple – Worth Commandery**

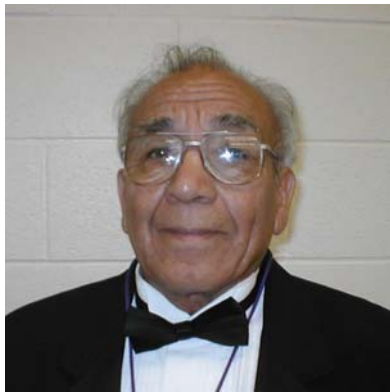


[www.texasorkrite.org/tarrant](http://www.texasorkrite.org/tarrant)  
<http://www.texasorkrite.org/local/riverside/>

TARRANT COUNTY YORK RITE  
SPRING 2013 SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION



At: Keller Lodge  
424 N. Main  
Keller TX



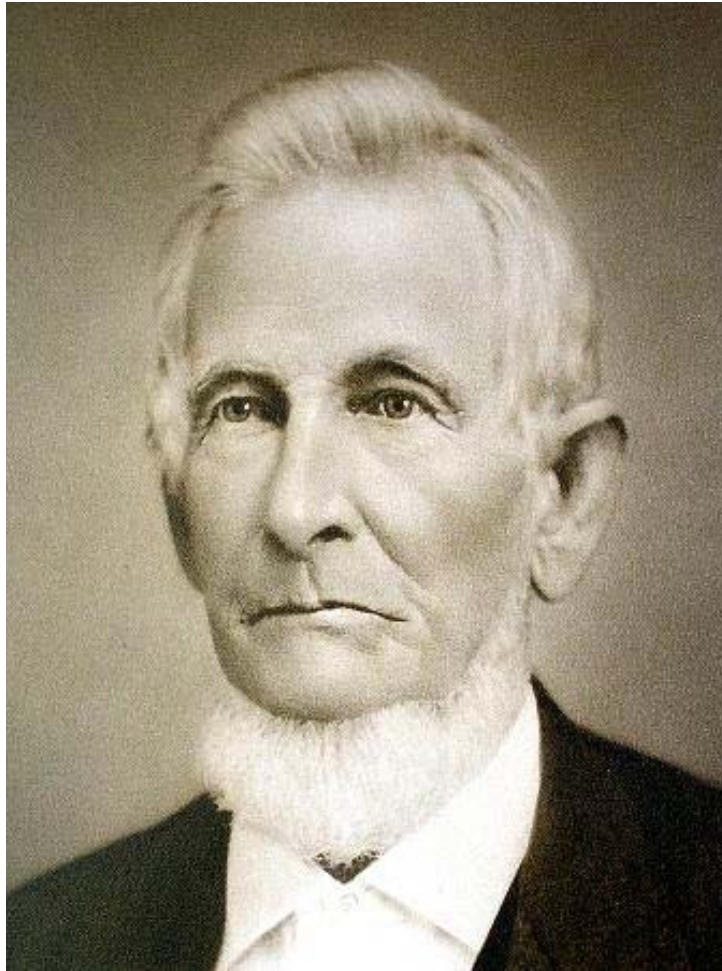
R.E. and R.I. Joe Orona  
Committee on Work



M.E. Companion Mark Paris  
High Priest, Riverside 468  
T.I.M., Riverside 384

**SATURDAY, APRIL 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2013**

Delicious Breakfast at 8:00 AM  
Chapter and Council Opening / Closing  
Degree Practices



**George Moffitt Patrick**  
**Grand High Priest**  
**1848-1849**

### **HISTORY LESSON**

**George M. Patrick**, M.D. was the Seventh and Last MEGHP Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the Republic of Texas 1848 to 1849.

George M. Patrick, M.D. (September 30, 1801 to June 28, 1889) was made a Mason in Benevolent Lodge No. 58 in Kentucky, and was initiated, passed and raised in 1827, his date of demission is not known. Dr. Patrick's Royal Arch affiliation prior to his coming to Texas is also not known. Except that at that time the Royal Arch Degree was conferred in Craft Lodges under a Master's warrant by Lodges who received their Warrant or Charter from a Grand Lodge of Ancient York Masons.

Other Masonic affiliations included Temple Lodge No. 4 in Houston, Texas, in 1837, according to biographical information Dr. Patrick may have served as Worshipful Master of this Lodge. But no Lodge records can substantiate this.

In 1842, Dr. Patrick was also a charter member of Orphan's Friend Lodge No. 17 located in Anderson Texas and served as its Worshipful Master in 1844, 1846, 1847, 1849, 1850, 1852, and 1853.

Dr. Patrick was the Charter High Priest for Jerusalem Chapter No. 7 under the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the Republic of Texas in 1846, and would later be the Charter High Priest for Jerusalem Chapter No. 3 in 1850 under this current Grand Jurisdiction. Dr. Patrick was the only Companion to have served as the Most Excellent Grand High Priest for the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the Republic of Texas and for this Grand Jurisdiction in 1852 to 1853.

Dr. Patrick holds several other distinctions pertaining to Ancient York Masonry, he is the only Texas Mason to have been elected to two full terms as the Grand Master of Masons in Texas in 1849 and again in 1850; he served as the Most Excellent Grand High Priest of this Grand Jurisdiction 1852; he served as the Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters in 1859 and as the Grand Commander of Knights Templar in 1860 as well. Dr. Patrick was the first Texas Mason to have served as the leader of all four Grand Masonic bodies in Texas.

Dr. Patrick is buried in the Texas State Cemetery in Austin, Texas. Grand Lodge photo and a Grimes County Historical association photo are available. Dr. Patrick has an entry in the Handbook of Texas Online.