

Tarrant County York Rite The Keystone



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Welcome to the September edition of the new Tarrant County York Association Newsletter:

NEWS!!!!

Come attend the Annual Grand Chapter and Grand Council in Waco.
In this newsletter, we publish the schedule of events, as well as the statements of availability, as well as Resolutions Summary.

We also have many Commandery Inspections this month.
It is an exciting month for York Rite Masonry.
We had a pretty good/successful Festival last month.
Thanks to all the great companions who participated.

We lost 2 very dear and active York Rite companions this past month.

J. Dexter Sammons
Jess Ellis

Please let me (the editor) know of other companions who have passed away.

Let us continue to remember those many companions who are hurting and need our prayers.

For Scottish Rite, we have a really important Reunion coming up in Fort Worth.
Saturday, October 31
Saturday, November 7
Saturday, November 21

Also --- Honors Day Banquet, Saturday Night, October 3rd - See more information in the newsletter.

And ---- Texas Masonic Family Day (Oct 10, 2015). See Flyer in this newsletter.
It will be held at the Texas Masonic Retirement Center, Owned and Operated by the Grand Royal Arch of Texas

Want to volunteer at the TMRC? There is a nice article from Callie Fincher, TMRC Activity Director.

UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS – OCT/NOV 2015 also <http://64th.org>

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sep 27	Sep 28 First day of Sukkot Happy Sukkot 	Sep 29 Tarrant County York Rite Assoc Meeting and York Rite College 6:45 PM	Sep 30	Oct 1 Worth and Southside Commanderies Eat 6:00 PM	Oct 2 and Oct 3 Various Commanderies' Inspections Begin – See details/Schedule in this newsletter	
Oct 4	Oct 5 Holiday – Shemini Atzeret 	Oct 6 Chapter/Council Southside and Texas – Eat 6 Holiday - Simchat Torah	Oct 7 Weatherford Commandery Eat 6:30 PM Mtg 7:30 PM	Oct 8 Tarrant Chapter/Council Eat 6:00 PM	Oct 9	Oct 10 Family Day At the TMRC See Flyer in this newsletter
Oct 11	Oct 12 York Rite Arlington – Eat 6 Riverside – Eat 6 Hurst – Eat 6:30 Columbus Day	Oct 13	Oct 14 Springtown Chapter/Council Eat 6:30 PM	Oct 15, 16 and 17 York Rite School of Instruction in Waco Grand Lodge Building in Waco 8 am each morning Oct 15 - 6pm Scottish Rite Stated Mtg		
Oct 18 Banquet in Waco 6:30 PM	Oct 19 – Oct 20 Grand Chapter Grand Council in Waco – 8:00 am both days.		Oct 21 Ridglea Chapter/Council Eat 6:30 PM	Oct 22	Oct 23 and Oct 24 Various Commanderies' Inspections Begin – See details/Schedule in this newsletter	
Oct 25	Oct 26 Stephenville Chapter/Council Eat 6:00 PM	Oct 27	Oct 28, 29, 30	Saturday Oct 31 Day 1 Scottish Rite Reunion ➔ (and Holloween)		
Nov 1 	Nov 2 All Souls Day	Nov 3 Chapter/Council Southside and Texas – Eat 6	Nov 4 Weatherford Commandery Eat 6:30 PM Mtg 7:30 PM	Nov 5 Worth and Southside Commanderies Eat 6:00 PM	Nov 6	Nov 7 Day 2 Scottish Rite Reunion
Nov 8	Nov 9 York Rite Arlington – Eat 6 Riverside – Eat 6 Hurst – Eat 6:30	Nov 10 	Nov 11 Springtown Chapter/Council Eat 6:30 PM Veterans Day	Nov 12 Tarrant Chapter/Council Eat 6:00 PM	Nov 13	Nov 14
Nov 15	Nov 16 Stephenville Commandery Eat 6:30 PM	Nov 17 Denton Commandery Mtg 7:30 PM	Nov 18 Ridglea Chapter/Council Eat 6:30 PM	Nov 19 7 pm -Cleburne Commandery 6 pm Scottish Rite Stated Mtg	Nov 20	Nov 21 Day 3 Scottish Rite Reunion
Nov 22	Nov 23 Stephenville Chapter/Council Eat 6:00 PM	Nov 24	Nov 25	Nov 26 	Nov 27	Nov 28

**TARRANT COUNTY YORK RITE ASSOCIATION MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2015**

DINNER --- 5:00 PM

AT MEXICAN INN

612 N Henderson St - Fort Worth



Then

MEETING AT 6:45 PM

3RD FLOOR RED ROOM

FORT WORTH TEMPLE - 1100 HENDERSON STREET, FORT WORTH

YORK RITE COLLEGE MEETING TO FOLLOW

Area Commandery Inspections

DATE / TIME FOR MEAL	COMMANDERY
FRI 10/02/2015 – 6 PM	Denton Commandery #45
SAT 10/03/2015 – 8 AM	Stephenville Commandery #100
SAT 10/03/2015 – NOON	Cleburne Commandery #12
FRI 10/23/2015 – 6 PM	Weatherford Commandery #51
SAT 10/24/2015 – 8 AM	Arlington Commandery #107
SAT 10/24/2015 – NOON	Dual Inspection (both at Southside) Worth #19 – at 1PM Southside #83 – at 3 PM

Grand Chapter/ Grand Council Annual Meeting in Waco

Schedule:

York Rite School of Instruction – October 15-17
 Memorial Service and Banquet – October 18
 Grand Business Sessions – October 19 and October 20

Grand High Priest – Most Excellent Charles “Steve” Wolfe
 Grand Master – Most Illustrious Richard Sharp

All York Rite Masons are invited and encouraged to attend.

Go to website
<http://www.yorkritetexas.org/chapter/Grand-Convocation.php>

Please click on the Reservations Form for 2015, and review the Proposed Resolutions and Recommendations.



GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF TEXAS GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS OF TEXAS



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS 2015

All events are held in the Grand Lodge Memorial Temple, 715 Columbus, Waco, TX in the Lower Auditorium unless specified.

Thurs., Oct. 15		School of Instruction, Committee on Work
through Sat., Oct. 17	8:00 AM	Registration (downstairs)
	9:00 AM	Sessions (downstairs rooms)
Sun., Oct. 18	8:00 AM	Various called Committee meetings
	9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Registration Open
	10:00 AM	Meeting of the York Rite Colleges
	11:00 AM	Texas York Rite College #14 Meeting
	1:00 PM	Grand Chapter/Grand Council Memorial Service
	2:30 PM	Texas Priory No. 23, KYCH Meeting
	6:30 PM	Grand Chapter/Grand Council Banquet at Lee Lockwood Scottish Rite Temple, 2800 W. Waco Dr.
Mon., Oct. 19	7:00 AM to 4:00 PM	Registration Open
	8:00 AM	Opening of Grand Chapter Convocation With Reception of ALL Out-of-State and In-State Dignitaries
	1:00 PM	Opening of Grand Council Assembly
	4:30 PM	Order of High Priesthood (open to all present or past High Priests) \$25.00 fee Order of the Silver Trowel (open to all present or Past TIMs) \$35.00 fee
Tues., Oct. 20	7:00 AM to 1:30 PM	Registration Open
	8:00 AM	Second Session Grand Chapter Convocation
	1:00 PM	Second Session Grand Council Assembly
<u>Ladies Program</u>		
Sun., Oct. 18	6:30 PM	Grand Chapter/Grand Council Banquet Lee Lockwood Scottish Rite Temple, 2800 W. Waco Dr.
Mon., Oct. 19	11:30 AM	Ladies Luncheon Holiday Inn-Bellmead, 1801 Development Pkwy., IH-35 North exit 339

STATEMENTS OF AVAILABILITY FOR **GRAND CHAPTER/GRAND COUNCIL**

And --- Resolution Summary

(Published from the "2015-Resolutions-and-Recommendations.pdf"
Document on the <http://yorkritetexas.org> website")

For Right Excellent Grand Scribe:

Joe F. Schriever
Thomas N. Turner, Sr.

For Right Illustrious Grand Principal Conductor of the Work

Melvin Thomas Hagood
Reese L. Harrison, Jr.

For Texas Masonic Retirement Center Board of Directors

Clarence J. Laney
H. David Moore

Resolution Summary - Grand Chapter

1. Move Grand Prairie Chapter to different location.
2. Move Sequin Chapter to different location.
3. Allow Chapters to Fix price of Endowments in \$100 increments (not less than \$300)
4. Move R. C. Buckner to different location.
5. Increase funds for Grand Chapter.
6. Increase Endowment to \$500.

Recommendation #1 from Grand High Priest

Move Grand Chapter from 3rd Monday in October to Third Friday in June.

Resolution Summary – Grand Council

1. Move Grand Prairie Council to different location.
2. Move Sequin Council to different location.
3. Allow Councils to Fix price of Endowments in \$100 increments (not less than \$200)
4. Move R. C. Buckner to different location.
5. Increase dues for Grand Council.
6. Increase Endowment to \$500.
7. Amend Article VII of the Grand Council York Rite Development Fund Board.



The Activity Department at the Texas Masonic Retirement Center is looking for volunteers. Do you have some spare time? Would you like to do something that will make you feel really good? Do you have a special talent? Can you sing, do you belong to a group or sing in the choir at church? Do you play games? Dominoes? Cards? Would you like to sit and talk and spend time with some very special people? We would love to have you spend some time in our community and help us to enrich the lives of our residents, your brethren, who call TMRC home.

No matter your talents (or lack thereof), if you are interested in volunteering, please contact me at (817) 275-2893 or email callie@txmrc.org.

*Thank You,
Callie Fincher
TMRC Activity Director*

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a Photo Tour



Choose from a range of floor plans, amenities, and conveniences with our many apartment and duplex choices.



Events

- » Calendar
- » Photo Gallery

Texas Masonic Family Day

October 10, 2015
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

at the Texas Masonic Retirement Center
1501 West Division St., Arlington, Texas 76012
Bring your family and friends for a great time !

Admission is FREE

Parking is FREE

Fun is FREE



5th Annual Classic Car and Motorcycle Show

6th Annual Barbecue Cook-off

Hundreds of Vendor Tents with Door Prizes

Live Music , Gift of Life Blood Drive , Food and Drinks , Hay Rides

Jump Houses , Petting Zoo , Pony Rides , Dunkin' Booth



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The Valley of Fort Worth is pleased to announce its 2015 Honours Recipients.



New 33^o Inspector General Honorary – Elects are Kenneth Charles Curry, John William Huffman, John Keith Karnes, James Dale Kirkpatrick and Charlie William Henry Rohde III.

New 32^o Knights Commander of the Court of Honor – Elects are Frederick Martin Brown, Robert Leslie Goode, Jr., Michael Anthony Haverland, Stephen Lee Maxwell, Mark Walter Paris, Ernest Lee Runyon, Paul Arnold Solomon and Curtis Edward Waldrop.

These Honours were conferred on September 19, 2015 in Waco, Texas at the Orient wide celebration and conferral of those receiving Honours in the State of Texas this year.

The Fort Worth Valley will celebrate its Honorees with a formal banquet on Saturday, October 3, 2015 at the Fort Worth Masonic Temple. This banquet is open to all Scottish Rite Brethren, their spouses and families. A reception will start at 6:00 pm followed by a plated dinner. Dress is formal or dark suit with Scottish Rite Regalia. The cost is \$40.00 per person and reservations are required. Reservations must be confirmed through the Valley office at 817/335-6004 by September 29, 2015.

The Knights Commander of the Court of Honor is bestowed on members deserving recognition for faithful service to the Rite.

The 33^o Inspector General Honorary is conferred by the Supreme Council upon members of the Rite in recognition of outstanding service to the Rite, or in public life, to the principles taught in the Degrees.

2015 FALL Reunion

The Fall 2015 Fort Worth Scottish Rite Reunion is October 31, November 7 and November 21. This will be a three day Reunion. Candidates may attend all three days or just the last day. The Reunion will honor Hon. R.J. Brock, 32° KCCH, Hon. Bobby L. Samuels, 32° KCCH, and Ill. J.B. Shepelwich, 33°. The opening ceremony is at 8 am on October 31, 2015. All 29 Scottish Rite Degrees will be presented. All Scottish Rite Masons are invited to attend this Reunion. As an incentive for attendance the Valley will purchase 32° jewels for all Fort Worth Scottish Rite Masons who have witnessed all 29 degrees.

The cost to become a 32° Scottish Rite Mason is \$250 for those under the age of thirty-one years. For those older, the fee is \$500. These fees may be paid at the time of initiation or prepaid in installments. If these fees impose an undue burden upon a potential candidate, they should contact Brother Sonny Tull at 817-335-6004. At his discretion are scholarship funds which may be used to fund a portion of a candidate's fees. If a candidate lives over 60 miles from the Fort Worth Masonic Temple and needs a room for the night before a Reunion we will provide suitable hotel housing for him.



The 20th Degree Team led by the Hon. Bobby Don Shelton, 32° KCCH

Preliminary Schedule for Next Year's Tarrant County York Rite Festival:

Mark Masters Degree – Tarrant and Hurst Chapters
Past Masters Degree – Riverside Chapter
Most Excellent Masters Degree – Texas Chapter
Royal Arch Degree – Southside Chapter

Royal Masters Degree – Arlington and Fort Worth Councils
Select Masters Degree – Ridglea Council

Illustrious Order of the Red Cross – Southside
Mediterranean Pass and Order of Malta – Arlington
Order of the Temple – Worth

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May the God of Love and Peace delight to dwell with and bless you.