

Tarrant County York Rite

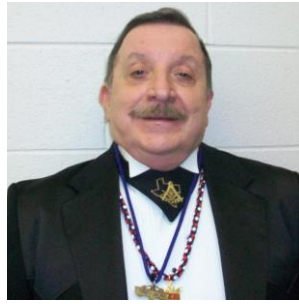


The Keystone

2016 October Edition - www.tarrant.yorkritetexas.org and <http://64th.org>



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Welcome to the October 2016 edition
Tarrant County York Rite Association Newsletter

YORK RITE Degree and Practice Schedule

Monday Oct 3 7:00 PM – Arlington Commandery – Practice Order of the Temple

Thursday Oct 13 – Saturday Oct 15 – York Rite School of Instruction – Waco

Sunday Oct 16 – Chapter/Council Banquet at Lee Lockwood

Monday Oct 17 – Tuesday Oct 18 – Grand Chapter / Grand Council

SCHEDULE FOR UPCOMING COMMANDERY INSPECTIONS

Submitted by our Sir Knight Clarence Laney, Grand Captain General

<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Commandery</u>	<u>Location</u>
October 29	Saturday	10:00 A.M.	Cleburne #12	Cleburne
November 10	Thursday	6:00 P.M.	Southside #83	Fort Worth
November 12	Saturday	8:00 A.M.	Worth #19	Fort. Worth
November 15	Tuesday	7:30 P.M.	Denton #45	Denton
November 19	Saturday	8:00 A.M.	Weatherford #51	Weatherford
November 19	Saturday	1:00 P.M.	Stephenville #100	Weatherford
November 26	Saturday	8:00 A.M.	Arlington #107	Arlington

IMPORTANT NOTE:

Good news ... Hurst Chapter / Council now meets on the 3rd Mondays.

This means that Hurst companions can visit Riverside and Arlington.

And Riverside and Arlington companions can visit Hurst. Fraternally, Wally Jones.

Also, in this edition

Scottish Rite Events, St Thomas of Acon Texas Province and TMRC happenings

UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS – Oct/Nov 2016 also <http://64th.org>

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Oct 2	Oct 3 Arlington Commandery Practice 7:00 PM Rosh Hashana Holiday	Oct 4 Chapter/Council Southside and Texas – Eat 6PM Feast of St Francis of Assisi	Oct 5 Weatherford Commandery Eat 6:30 PM	Oct 6 Worth and Southside Commanderies Eat 6:00 PM	Oct 7	Oct 8 Family Day TMRC
Oct 9	Oct 10 York Rite Arlington – Eat 6 Riverside – Eat 6 Columbus Day	Oct 11	Oct 12 Springtown Chapter/ Council Eat 6:30 PM Yom Kippur	Thu Oct 13 through Sat Oct 15 Grand Chapter and Grand Council School of Instruction In Waco Competition – Saturday – RAC chapter opening with five.		
Sun Oct 16 – Divine and Memorial Service – Waco Banquet Sunday night at Lee Lockwood Mon Oct 17 – Grand Chapter/Council - Waco Tue Oct 18 – Grand Chapter/Council – Waco			Oct 19 Ridglea Chapter/ Council Eat 6:30 PM	Oct 20 7 pm – Cleburne Commandery 6 pm – FTW Scottish Rite Feast of Tishri	Oct 21	Oct 22 Scottish Rite Reunion Day 1
Oct 23 From Oct 17 – 23 Sukkot Holiday	Oct 24 Stephenville Chapter and Council Eat 6:00 PM Shmini Atzeret Holiday	Oct 25 Simchat Torah Holiday	Oct 26	Oct 27 Scottish Rite Educational Program 6:30 PM	Oct 28	Oct 29 Cleburne Commandery Inspection 10:00 AM Scottish Rite Reunion Day 2
Oct 30	Oct 31  Happy Halloweeni	Nov 1 Chapter/Council Southside and Texas – Eat 6PM All Saints Day	Nov 2 Weatherford Commandery Eat 6:30 PM	Nov 3 Worth and Southside Commanderies Eat 6:00 PM	Nov 4	Nov 5 Scottish Rite Reunion Day 3
Nov 6  Daylight Savings Ends	Nov 7 Arlington Commandery Practice 7:00 PM	Nov 8 	Nov 9 Springtown Chapter/ Council Eat 6:30 PM	Nov 10 Southside Commandery Inspection 6:00 PM Tarrant York Rite Eat 6PM	Nov 11 	Nov 12 Worth Commandery Inspection 8 AM Fort Worth Chapter TMRC 2 PM
Nov 13	Nov 14 York Rite Arlington – Eat 6 Riverside – Eat 6	Nov 15 Denton Commandery Inspection 7:30 PM	Nov 16 Ridglea Chapter/ Council Eat 6:30 PM	Nov 17 7 pm – Cleburne Commandery 6 pm – FTW Scottish Rite	Nov 18	Nov 19 Weatherford / Stephenville Inspections at Phoenix Lodge 8AM and 1PM
Nov 20	Nov 21 York Rite Hurst – Eat 6	Nov 22 Stephenville Commandery Eat 6:00 PM	Nov 23	Nov 24 	Nov 25	Nov 26 Arlington Commandery Inspection Eat at 7AM
Nov 27  Advent	Nov 28 Stephenville Chapter and Council Eat 6:00 PM	Nov 29 Tarrant County York Rite Association Meeting 6:45PM	Nov 30	Dec 1	Dec 2	Dec 3

Grand Chapter Grand Council

Monday – Oct 17 and Tuesday Oct 18

The Full Proposed Resolutions and Recommendations to be considered and Statements of Availability are on the following website link

<http://www.yorkritetexas.org/chapter/forms/Grand-Convocation/2016-Resolutions-and-Recommendations.pdf>

Here is a summary of the Resolutions and Recommendations and the Statements of Availability:

Chapter

Resolution 1 – Change name of Kilgore Chapter No 449 to East Texas Chapter No 449

Resolution 2 – Change date of Grand Convocation to First Friday in August

Resolution 3 – Increase minimum dues from \$20 to \$30

GHP Recommendation 1 – Change date of Grand Convocation to 3rd Friday in June

Council

Resolution 1 – Change name of Kilgore Council No 336 to East Texas Council No 336

Resolution 2 – Increase minimum dues from \$16 to \$30

Statements of Availability are listed here in alphabetical order by last name

Statements of Availability for Right Excellent Grand Scribe

David M. Baskin

Hobie D. Henderson

S. Lane Pierce

Nick R. Ramos

Statements of Availability for Right Illustrious Grand Principal Conductor of the Work

Melvin Thomas Hagood

James Dale Kirkpatrick

Clarence Ray McKown

Statements of Availability for Texas Masonic Retirement Center Board of Directors

H. David Moore

Charles Steven Wolfe

Here is a link to the Banquet and Reservations Forms

(pdf) <http://www.yorkritetexas.org/chapter/forms/Grand-Convocation/2016-Reservations.pdf>

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Banquet Tickets reservations are Due September 30.

Grand Chapter Grand Council

Letter from our Grand Secretary/Grand Recorder

Dear Companion: We hope that you are making plans to attend the Annual Grand Sessions this year and we would like to remind you of these important dates.

1. School of Instruction will be held Thursday, October 13th through Saturday October 15th in the Lower Auditorium, Grand Lodge Temple.
2. The Grand Chapter Convocation and the Grand Council Assembly will be held October 17th and 18th, 2016 in the Lower Auditorium, Grand Lodge Temple.
3. A meeting of the York Rite Colleges of Texas will be held in the Lower Auditorium on Sunday morning, October 16th at 10:00 A.M. by the Grand Governor, H. Bart Henderson. The Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, the Grand Commander of Knights Templar, the Deputy Grand Commander of Knights Templar, the Deputy Grand High Priest, and the Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Council will bring messages for this coming year.
4. Texas York Rite College No. 14 will meet in the Lower Auditorium on Sunday, October 16th at 11:00 A.M.
5. Memorial Services will be held on Sunday afternoon, October 16th, at 1:00 P.M., in the Lower Auditorium, Grand Lodge Temple.
6. Texas Priory No. 23, K.Y.C.H., Conferral, Business Meeting, Election and Installation of Officers will be held in the Lower Auditorium on Sunday, October 16th, at 2:30 P.M.
7. The Annual Banquet will be held Sunday evening, October 16th, at 6:30 P.M., at Lee Lockwood Scottish Rite Library & Museum, 2801 West Waco Drive.
8. The Ladies Luncheon will be held Monday, October 17th, at Lee Lockwood Scottish Rite Library & Museum, 2801 West Waco Drive at 11:30 A.M.
9. The Order of the Silver Trowel and The Order of High Priesthood will be conferred in the Lower Auditorium on Monday evening, October 17th beginning at 4:30 P.M.
10. Banquet tickets will be \$27.00, and Ladies Luncheon tickets will be \$19.00. A form is enclosed for you to reserve these tickets and you are requested to please do so by September 30th. You may pick up the tickets and pay for them in the Grand Secretary office upon your arrival. However, if you don't expect to arrive before Sunday, October 16th, it is suggested that you please note the same on the form, enclose your remittance, and we will mail them to you. Please make your checks payable to the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas. There will be no tickets for the Banquet sold Sunday, October 16th after 3:00 P.M., or after seating capacity is reached.
11. We have reserved a block of rooms at Sleep Inn & Suites Hewitt, 254-420-3200 (mention group acct 2424222) and The Ramada Hewitt 254-732-9823 (mention Grand Royal Arch Chapter) Please call the hotels directly. The room rates will only be available for Sunday 16th and Monday 17th due to Baylor Football Homecoming on Saturday. These hotels are at the Sun Valley Exit 328 on I-35 South.
12. Remember to bring your Dues Cards, Proxies for the Registration Committee, and your form for Representative for the School of Instruction, if your Secretary-Recorder has not mailed them in.
13. There will be a Registration Fee this year of Ten Dollars (\$10.00). This is to help offset the cost of the extra Security.
14. **Please do not PROCRASTINATE!**

Sincerely and fraternally,

Orville L. O'Neill

Grand Secretary-Recorder

Grand Convocation and Grand Assembly Events



Grand Chapter Officers



Grand Council Officers

Thursday, Oct. 13

School of Instruction, Committee on Work
8:00 AM Registration (downstairs)
9:00 AM Sessions (downstairs rooms)

Friday, Oct. 14

School of Instruction, Committee on Work
8:00 AM Registration (downstairs)
9:00 AM Sessions (downstairs rooms)

Saturday, Oct. 15

School of Instruction, Committee on Work
8:00 AM Registration (downstairs)
9:00 AM Sessions (downstairs rooms)
1:00 PM Ritualistic Competition
Opening a Chapter with 5
Officers: MEHP, COH, PS, RAC and Guard

Sunday, Oct. 16

8:00 AM Various called Committee meetings
8:30 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
4:00 PM Constitution of Texas Province of St Thomas of Acon
at Lee Lockwood Scottish Rite Temple
6:30 PM Grand Chapter/Grand Council Banquet
at Lee Lockwood Scottish Rite Temple
2801 W. Waco Dr.

Monday, Oct. 17

7:00 AM to 4:00 PM Registration Open
8:00 AM Opening of Grand Chapter Convocation
with Joint Reception of ALL Out-of-State and In-State Dignitaries
1:00 PM Opening of Grand Council Assembly
4:30 PM Order of the High Priesthood (open to all present or past High Priests) \$35.00 fee
Order of the Silver Trowel (open to all present or Past TIMs) \$35.00 fee

Tuesday, Oct. 18

7:00 AM to 1:30 PM Registration Open
8:00 AM Second Session Grand Chapter Convocation
Election & Installation Ceremonies
1:00 PM Second Session Grand Council Assembly
Election & Installation Ceremonies



Education Program

Thursday, October 27

6:30 PM

Some Reflections on Apprentice Rites

Presented by: Hon Jerome Weilmuenster, 32 °

Purpose of Circumambulation, Prayer, and Divestiture in the Entered Apprentice Degree. Information on these and other ritual aspects of the Entered Apprentice Degree will be presented in this program.

All Masons Welcome - Casual Dress, No Regalia
Meal Followed by Program

Attendees desiring meal should call 817-335-6004 by Monday October 24. Additional meals will be available first come, first served.

Donations accepted.

Stated Meeting Thursday, October 20 6:00 PM

The October Stated Meeting will be held at 6 PM in the Commandery Room. The meal and program will begin at 7 PM. Meal tickets will be available in the first floor foyer before the meeting, cost is \$12.00. This month's program will be the celebration of the Feast of Tishri.



Lodge of Perfection



Feast of Tishri

The origins and significances of the Feast of Tishri make it the most Scottish Rite of festivals. Although originally celebrated as a harvest and gathering festival, no other occasion epitomizes the character and purpose of the Rite more wholly than our historic celebration, held in conjunction with the dedication of King Solomon's Temple.

Ye Commemorative Order Of St Thomas of Acon USA



On **Sunday, October 16, 2017**, an historical event will occur.

At 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm, at the Lee Lockwood Scottish Rite Library & Museum
2801 W Waco Drive, Waco, Texas 76707

A meeting will occur for the purpose of Constituting the Grand Preceptor's Council for the Province of Texas.
St Thomas of Acon members are invited to attend. This is an invitational York Rite Order.

Founding Officers of the Grand Preceptor's Council Province of Texas

<i>R.W. Grand Preceptor</i>	<i>Sir Fred (Allen) of Mount Pleasant, KC</i>
<i>R.E. Prov. Grand Prior</i>	<i>Sir James (Elliott) of Midlothian, KC</i>
<i>Prov. Gr. Marshal</i>	<i>Sir James (Kirkpatrick) of Arlington</i>
<i>Prov. Gr. Treasurer</i>	<i>Sir Christopher (Dalrymple) of Brenham</i>
<i>Prov. Gr. Registrar</i>	<i>Sir Brian (Dodson) Sugarland</i>
<i>Prov. Gr. Secretary</i>	<i>Sir Charles (Cumming) of Dallas</i>
<i>Prov. Dep. Gr. Marshal</i>	<i>Sir Jerry (Kirby) of Avalon</i>
<i>Prov. Gr. Almoner</i>	<i>Sir Jackie (Matthews) of Midland</i>
<i>Prov. Gr. Warden of Regalia</i>	<i>Sir Michael (Wiggins) of Liberty</i>
<i>Prov. Gr. Sword Bearer</i>	<i>Sir Russell (Brown) of Lufkin</i>
<i>Prov. Dep. Gr. Secretary</i>	<i>Sir Kenneth (Cooley) of Duncanville</i>
<i>Prov. Gr. Banner Bearer</i>	<i>Sir Bernard (Fischer) of Houston</i>
<i>Prov. Asst. Gr. Secretary</i>	<i>Sir Lawrence (Tucker) of Bellaire</i>
<i>Prov. Gr. Herald</i>	<i>Sir Micheal (Reynolds) of Mt. Pleasant</i>
<i>Prov. Gr. Organist</i>	<i>Sir Nick (Ramos) of New York City</i>
<i>Prov. Gr. Doorkeeper</i>	<i>Sir Robert (Jett) of San Antonio</i>
<i>Prov. Gr. Cellarer</i>	<i>Sir Howard (Ponca City) of Henderfson</i>
<i>Prov. Gr. Cellarer</i>	<i>Sir Bradley (Billings) of Seagraves</i>
<i>Prov. Gr. Cellarer</i>	<i>Sir Gerald (Nowotny) of Blanco</i>
<i>Prov. Gr. Cellarer</i>	<i>Sir Floyd (Hall) of Irving</i>
<i>Prov. Gr. Cellarer</i>	<i>Sir Charles (McKay) of Plano</i>
<i>Prov. Gr. Cellarer</i>	<i>Sir Dock (Dixon) of Blackshear</i>
<i>Prov. Gr. Sentry</i>	<i>Sir John (Elkinton) of Pearland</i>



Ye Commemorative Order Of St. Thomas of Acon, USA

*M.:W.: Grand Master: Sir Reese of Bexar, KH
M.:E.: Grand Prior: Sir Matthew of Philadelphia, KC*

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Constitution of the Province of Texas

*We strictly ymoyne, command the upon ye faith and allegynce by which thou art bound to us
yt thou be personalie present at ye Lee Lockwood Scottish Rite Library y' Museum,
2801 W Waco Dr., Waco, Texas
with us and others of our Order, and despatch of our affairs in no wys both thou omit. At
Four y' one-half Hours following High Noon on ye 16th day of ye month of October n the
year of Our Lord, 2016.*

Rehearsal

*Ye Sir Knights petitioners will assemle in the Chapel at ye four hours after High
Noon for the purpose of rehearsal*

To our right trustie and well-beloved Chevalier Greetynge

Sir Knight



Sir Fred of Mount Pleasant, KC
Fred Allen, Right Worthy
Provincial Grand Preceptor (Texas)



Sir Reese of Bexar, KH
Reese L. Harrison, Jr, Most Worthy Grand
Master of the Grand Masters Council USA

TMRC HAPPENINGS!!!!

SEPTEMBER HAPPENINGS 2016

The annual Grand Chapter of Texas OES, session held in Tyler Texas. The residents had a great time.



TMRC celebrate the Monthly Birthdays, and we also support the Military, every Friday residents and staff wear red to support the Military, thank you for all you do, we salute you.



Many thanks to the Burlison Assembly # 374 Rainbow girls, the girls came to visit and entertain the Residents on Grandparents Day, after the girls entertained they served refreshments to the Residents.



First Baptist Church of Arlington Choir came to sing for TMRC, they sang an assortment of songs. Thank you for entertaining us.



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

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