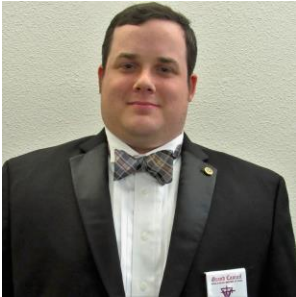


Tarrant County York Rite



The Keystone

2018 May Edition - www.tarrant.yorkritetexas.org and <http://64th.org>



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Welcome to the May 2018 edition Tarrant County York Rite Association Newsletter

News ---

Pray for Kirby Rudisill fighting cancer.
There are others hurting as well. Continue to pray for them all.

Upcoming Degree, Conference and School Schedule

Saturday, May 5 – Ascension Service in McKinney – 215 ½ N Kentucky St – 11:00 am

Sunday, May 6 – Ascension Service at TMRC – 2:00 PM

Monday, May 7 – Texas Chapter Degree – 6:30 pm – no meal

Wednesday, May 9 – Springtown Mark Master Degree – 6:00 pm meal

Friday, May 11 – Saturday, May 12 – Greenville York Rite Festival

Saturday, May 12 – Trinity York Rite College Annual Meeting – 7:00 breakfast

Sunday, May 13 – Dallas area Commanderies at St. Matthews for Ascension Service 8AM, with line up at 7:45

Saturday, May 19 – Grand Masters Conference in Fort Worth – 9:00 am registration

Wednesday, May 23 – Springtown Chapter Degrees – 6:00 pm meal

Thursday, May 24 – Tarrant Council Royal and Select Degrees – 6:00 pm meal

Saturday, May 26 – Tarrant Rotating School of Instruction – At Southside Lodge 9 am

Monday, May 28 – McKinney Commandery Patriotic Observance – 9 am Pecan Grove Cemetery

Tuesday, May 29 – Tarrant County York Rite Association Meeting – 6:45 pm

UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS – May, June 2018 also <http://64th.org>

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		May 1 Southside – Eat 6 Texas – Eat 6	May 2 Weatherford Commandery Eat 6:30 PM Yom HaShoah Holocaust Memorial Day	May 3 Worth/Southside Commanderies Eat 6:00 PM	May 4	May 5 Cinco De Mayo Rosh Chodesh Iyyar
May 6 Ascension Service TMRC 2 pm	May 7 Texas Chapter Degree 6:30 PM	May 8 Yom HaZikaron Israel Memorial Day	May 9 Springtown Royal Arch Degree Eat 6:00 PM	May 10 Tarrant York Rite Eat 6:00 pm	May 11 And May 12 Greenville York Rite Festival	May 12 Trinity York Rite College Annual Meeting 7am breakfast
May 13 Mothers Day	May 14 York Rite Riverside Eat 6:30 PM Arlington Eat 6:00 PM	May 15 Denton Commandery Eat 6:00 PM	May 16 York Rite Ridglea Eat 6:30 PM	May 17 Cleburne Commandery 7:00 PM Fort Worth Scottish Rite 6:30	May 18	May 19 Grand Masters Conference Fort Worth Temple 9 am
May 20 Pentecost Day	May 21 York Rite Parry Award Hurst Eat 6 PM 6 pm Stephenville 6 pm Arlington Commandery	May 22	May 23 Springtown Chapter Degrees meal 6	May 24 Tarrant Council Royal and Select Masters Degrees Meal 6	May 25	May 26 Rotating School of Instruction At Southside
May 27	May 28 York Rite Stephenville Eat 6 pm Memorial Day McKinney Observance 9 am	May 29 Tarrant County York Rite Association Ft Worth Temple 6:45 pm	May 30	May 31	Jun 1	Jun 2 Yom Yerushalayim
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Jun 24	Jun 25 York Rite Stephenville Eat 6 pm	Jun 26	Jun 27	Jun 28	Jun 29	Jun 30 San Antonio Festival 100 years



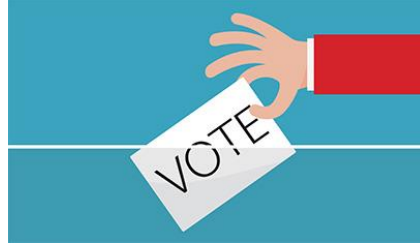
TRINITY YORK RITE COLLEGE #154 MEETING

Annual Meeting – Saturday – May 12

At Southside Lodge – Delicious Breakfast at 7:00 AM

7800 Crowley Road, Fort Worth.

Conferral of Degrees and Election and Installation of Officers.



And ...

**TRINITY YORK RITE COLLEGE #154 REGULAR MEETING
TARRANT COUNTY YORK RITE ASSOCIATION MEETING**

TUESDAY, MAY 29, 2018 AT 6:45 PM

ALL MASONS INVITED!!!!

**FORT WORTH TEMPLE
1100 HENDERSON STREET
FORT WORTH TEXAS**



**Kenneth Colby Spicer
President**



**Cortney Harvey
Pre-Eminent Governor**



**Joe Spencer
Eminent Deputy Governor**



GRAND MASTERS CONFERENCE FORT WORTH TEMPLE



Saturday, May 19, 2018
Fort Worth Conference
Registration at 9:00 am

64th District MWSA Luncheon
12 noon to 1:00 pm
At the Fort Worth Temple
1100 Henderson Street
Fort Worth Texas

A.R.R.O.W.





Commandery: Many times, I hear people ask what we do besides wear the feathery hats and play with swords. That's a great question many think, all we do is drill, which some do but not all.

The organization has many wonderful functions and charities: The bond between two Sir Knights is an incredible thing and part of that bond is the goodness of the heart to help others in need. That desire of philanthropy is what strengthens the heart and the firm grip one Sir Knight extends to another to show we are all Brother Knights.

One Charity is the Knights Templar Eye Foundation Since its inception, the Foundation has expended over \$148 million on research, patient care, and education. Research grants of more than \$24 million have been awarded to researchers working in the fields of pediatric ophthalmology and ophthalmic genetics. Without sight many would miss out on the beauties of our order and of the world around them

The organization also give out Competitive Renewal Grants - up to \$65,000 per grant to extend the original grant project for one additional year when the data collected from the original grant is compelling enough to apply.

Training Mentors for Developing Countries (TMDC) Fellowship - Annual stipend of \$60,000 - The Scientific Advisory Committee for the Knights Templar Eye Foundation has identified a significant need for well-trained pediatric ophthalmology faculty (mentors) in developing countries. As a result, the Foundation has created a 1-year fellowship to help meet that training need. Those receiving a fellowship have agreed in writing to return to their native country immediately following the fellowship to practice pediatric ophthalmology for a minimum of 5 years and, to the extent possible, be directly involved in the training of residents during those 5 years.

Along with helping others see we also give millions in scholarships thru the KT education foundation to young men and women to further their education for the last two years of school. As many get scholarships to start school this program helps those who have completed 2 years already. Helping others see and learn are just a small part of our mission

Being a Christian based organization, we support and spread the goodness of the Christian religion in addition to the many religious observances throughout the year, The Grand Encampment of Knights Templar sponsors an annual "Holy Land Pilgrimage". The purpose of the pilgrimage is to send Christian Ministers to the Holy Land for a Biblical Study and Historical/Cultural Immersion Experience. Masonic membership is not required and the Minister can be male or female. What a great experience for a minister.

All of this and we support many other events and assist the foundation of our organization which is the Masonic fraternity. The Masonic fraternity has children's hospitals learning centers homes for elderly and on average donated 2.5million a day to help this world we live in be a better place for all. No that doesn't mean one must be wealthy to be a member, with the number of members many hands make light work.

If this sounds like the type of men you would like to associate with and you are interested in becoming a Knight let us know.

**Ricky Cox,
Vice-President, Tarrant County York Rite Association**

GRAND COUNCIL REGIONAL CONFERENCE IN FORT WORTH ... Monday, April 30, 2018



Our Most Illustrious Grand Master, **Reese Harrison Jr.**, conducted a very successful regional conference in Fort Worth. Many great lessons were presented including ritual presentations (current trends, comparison to Europe, etc), visibility of the Super Excellent Master's Degree, Archangels, the 7 military P's and leadership (or lack thereof), History of the Grand Council in Texas including its rehabilitation in 1907 and the Grand Chapter's relationship to the existing councils prior to rehabilitation. ... and much more ...



M. I. Reese Harrison, Jr.

Pictured above includes our Grand Master **Reese Harrison**, and also to the right --- Is none other than **Ed "Snazzy" Malone** ...

Companions, this was such an extremely informative session.
If you get opportunity to hear our Grand Master, please avail yourself of that opportunity.

FYI - 7 P's --- according to "wiki" --- are ...

Proper Planning and Preparation Prevents Piss Poor Performance

[http://military.wikia.com/wiki/7_Ps_\(military_adage\)](http://military.wikia.com/wiki/7_Ps_(military_adage))

Other versions of the 7 P's are ...

- Proper Prior Planning Prevents Piss Poor Performance
- Prior Proper Planning Prevents Piss Poor Performance
- Prior Proper Preparation Prevents Piss Poor Performance
- Piss Poor Planning Promotes Piss Poor Performance
- Prior Preparation and Planning Prevents Piss Poor Performance
- Positive Pre-Planning Prevents Piss Poor Performance

Over time, the phrase has been changed to include the word 'practice' in order to better fit certain scenarios.
For example:

- Proper Planning and Practice Prevents Piss Poor Performance
- Prior Proper Planning Prevents Painfully Poor Production
- Prior Proper Planning Prevents Piss Poor Production

GRAND COMMANDERY RESULTS ...



A historical First, at the 2018 Grand Commandery, we invited the Sir Knights of Lone Star Grand Commandery PHA jurisdiction. What a great week-end to be a knight in Texas.

In this historic session, our 2017-2018 Grand Commander, Sir Knight **Jack M. Harper** presided, and conducted the business of the Grand Commandery of Texas.

Sir Knight, **Richard D. Doss** (pictured in the center front), was elected as our new Right Eminent Grand Commander of Texas. Sir Knight **Ralph Royall** was elected as our new Grand Sentinel. The updated list of officers is on the Grand Commandery of Texas website:

<http://commandery.yorkritetexas.org/>



Sir Knight **Richard Doss**, Right Eminent Grand Commander of Texas

61ST SOUTH-CENTRAL REGIONAL YORK RITE
& SOUTH-CENTRAL DEPARTMENT CONFERENCE
SEPTEMBER 20-22, 2018

May 1, 2018

Dear Companions:

Please consider this your invitation to join us at the 61st Annual South-Central Regional York Rite and South-Central Department Conference to be held at the **Holiday Inn Airport** located at 77 NE Loop 410, San Antonio, TX 78216. Their phone number is **210-349-9900**. Please contact the hotel directly for reservations. Room rates are \$95.00 plus taxes and you need to mention South-Central York Rite Regional Conference to receive this rate.

Registration will be held on Thursday, September 20, 2018 from 1:00 PM - 7:00 PM, Friday, September 21, 2018 from 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM and Saturday, September 22, 7:00 AM -9:00 AM, with the Conference beginning at 8:00 AM on Friday. The Hospitality Room will be on the second floor, for the exact location check at the Registration table.

Registration Forms and checks for the meals can be sent to: E.E. Buster Williams, MEGHP, P.O. Box 780157, San Antonio, TX 78278. Make checks payable to: San Antonio Chapter No. 381, RAM. The Deadline for Ticket Reservations is September 10, 2018.

There will be a program available for the Ladies with information to be announced.

Please feel free to contact me at any time with questions or concerns.

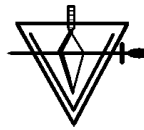
Sincerely and fraternally,

E.E. Buster Williams

M:•E:• Grand High Priest

C-210-707-0160

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**61ST SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL YORK RITE
& SOUTH CENTRAL DEPARTMENT CONFERENCE**

REGISTRATION FORM
SEPTEMBER 20 - 22, 2018

**Held at the Holiday Inn Airport
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Phone 210-349-9900**

Contact the hotel directly for reservations

**Mention South Central Regional York Rite Conference for the rate (\$95.00+taxes)
(Cut-off for hotel reservations is September 1, 2018)**

Registration Schedule: Thursday, September 20, 2018 from 1:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Friday, September 21, 2018 from 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Saturday, September 22, 2018 from 7:00 AM - 9:00 AM

Name: _____ Lady's Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ E- Mail: _____

Registration Fee (for men only)	@ \$35.00 =	\$ _____
Friday, September 21, Buffet Lunch	@ \$ 20.00 =	\$ _____
Friday, September 21, Banquet	@ \$40.00 =	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Beef or <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken		
Saturday, September 22, Buffet Lunch	@ \$ 20.00 =	\$ _____
Friday, September 21, Ladies Program	TBA	\$ _____
	Total	\$ _____

Please make checks payable to: SAN ANTONIO CHAPTER NO. 381, RAM

Mail Registration Form and check to: San Antonio Chapter 381, R.A.M.

P O Box 780157, San Antonio, TX 78278-0157

Contact: E.E. Buster Williams, Cell: 210-707-0160, or bwgractxghp2018@gmail.com

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Grand Chapter 2018 Ritual Competition School is held on Thu Oct 18 through Sat Oct 20



The competition will be in the **MARK MASTERS DEGREE**

The Parts are:

Junior Overseer, Senior Overseer, Master Overseer, Senior Deacon, Senior Warden

The solo competition will be in the **MARK MASTERS LECTURE**

School Schedule is:

8:00 AM Registration on Thursday & Friday
9:00 AM Roll call and classes on Thursday & Friday
8:00 AM Roll call and classes on Saturday
1:30 PM Ritual Competition

Grand Lodge Library & Museum
Small Auditorium downstairs
715 Columbus Avenue, Waco, TX 76701

For questions call Tim Towson, Chairman, Committee on Work
469-261-7081 timtowson@verizon.net

The certificate holders for Chapter/Council are now on the website:

<http://www.yorkritetexas.org/chapter/info-Certificate-Proficiency.php>
<http://www.yorkritetexas.org/council/info-Certificate-Proficiency.php>

TMRC Happenings

TMRC BELL CHOIR PERFORMANCE.

The TMRC Bell Choir presented an Easter performance to Friends, Staff Members, Residents and their Families who all came to listen to the wonderful sound of our bell ringers. The Residents always enjoy playing for the crowd, and they are continuously practicing for their upcoming performances.

The next performance will be a Patriotic Program on July



OES SPRING PARTY. Many thanks go to the District 2 Committee members and OES Chapters for the resident Spring party. Committee members from District 2 held a great party that everyone enjoyed. Thank you for your continued support of TMRC and the Residents who live here, including the over-100 Eastern Star members.



DONATION AWARD PRESENTED.

Superintendent **Gary Blair** presented **Martha Pengelly**, Worthy Matron of TMRC Daylight Chapter #1145 OES with a Legacy Award for her generous donation to the No Mason Left Behind project.



Gary Blair Superintendent, **Martha Pengelly** Worthy Matron and **Floyd Hall** Worthy Patron of TMRC Daylight Chapter #1145 OES.

GIFT OF OES ENDOWMENT.

Many thanks to Robert and Yvonne Brownfield, PGM for presenting 6 TMRC Residents with Endowed memberships in TMRC Daylight Chapter #1145, OES. Recipients were all residents of the TMRC and pictured below: (From left to right)

Robert Brownfield; Delphia Von Heeder; Suzanne Walters; Charles Hanes; Shirley Reese; Laverne Whitfield; LoRee Griffin; and Yvonne Brownfield, PGM.



Social Order of the Beauceants.

Dallas Assembly of the Social Order of the Beauceant came to TMRC for their annual Bingo party. Members brought homemade goodies and lots of quarters to play bingo. The Residents enjoyed the games, goodies and good company. Thank you for your continuous support to TMRC and the Residents who live there.



MANY THANKS TO THESE INDIVIDUALS AND MASONIC ORGANIZATIONS FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATION TO TMRC RESIDENTS AND COUNTRY STORE:

- MINERAL WELLS CHAPTER #44, OES
- SULPHUR SPRINGS CHAPTER #246, OES
- SOUTHSIDE LODGE NO. 1114
- SOMERVILLE CHAPTER #245, OES

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**Roy Elliot, President (on left)
And Gary Blair, Superintendent (on right)**

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

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