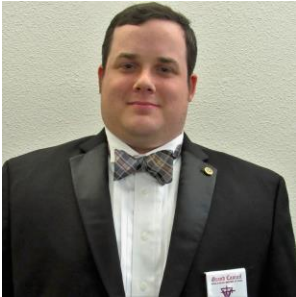


Tarrant County York Rite



The Keystone

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



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**Welcome to the December 2018 edition
Tarrant County York Rite Association Newsletter**

Upcoming Schedule

Thursday, December 6 through 8 – Grand Chapter and Grand Council in Waco

December 8th – Tarrant County York Rite Association Breakfast Saturday, December 8th 6:30 am at Georges Restaurant in Waco

Monday, December 3 – Arlington Commandery 107 – Order of the Temple – 6:00 pm meal

Saturday, December 15 – Riverside Chapter Degrees at Smithfield Lodge in the morning.

Monday, January 7 – Arlington York Rite Royal Arch Degree – Eat at 6 pm

4th Tuesday of January, Stephenville – Masonic York Rite Studies ... **(Page 15 and 16)**

Saturday, January 26 – Riverside Council Degrees at Smithfield Lodge in the morning.

Thursday, January 17 through 19 – Grand Lodge in Waco

Commandery Installations

Weatherford had a great installation on November 28th, Jeff “Blue Moon” Turner the new Commander

Worth – December 1st, Dinner at 6 pm

Stephenville – January 21st – Dinner at 6 pm

Denton – December 18th – Dinner at 6:30 PM

Cleburne – December 20th – Dinner at 7:00 PM

Arlington – December 17th – Dinner at 6:00 PM

News

Santa Clause is coming to town --- to the TMRC 1501 West Division, Arlington TX

Helicopter day – on December 15 at 3:15 PM

Also Santa is arriving at the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital – 2222 Welborn, Dallas 75219

Ref: Randy Lockhart, PHP, PTIM Hurst, Building Success through Leadership Effectiveness.

UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS – Dec 2018, Jan 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Dec 2	Dec 3 Arlington Commandery 107 Order of the Temple Dinner 6pm	Dec 4 Southside and Texas Stated Meeting Eat 6:00 PM	Dec 5 Weatherford Commandery Eat 6:30 PM	Dec 6 through Dec 8 Grand Chapter / Grand Council in Waco Texas. Please come Fellowship with Most Excellent Williams and Most Illustrious Harrison during this important Grand Convocation and Assembly		
Dec 9	Dec 10 York Rite Riverside Meet at 7:30 PM Arlington Eat 6:00 PM	Dec 11	Dec 12 Springtown Stated Meeting Eat 6:00 PM	Dec 13	Dec 14	Dec 15 Riverside Chapter Degrees in Smithfield Lodge
Dec 16	Dec 17 York Rite Hurst Eat 6 PM 6 pm Stephenville 6 pm Arlington Commandery	Dec 18 Denton Commandery Installation Eat 6:30 PM	Dec 19 York Rite Ridglea Eat 6:30 PM	Dec 20 Cleburne Commandery Installation 7:00 PM	Dec 21	Dec 22
Dec 23	Dec 24 York Rite Stephenville Eat 6 PM	Dec 25 Merry Christmas	Dec 26	Dec 27	Dec 28	Dec 29
Dec 30	Dec 31	Jan 1, 2019 New Year's Day	Jan 2 Weatherford Commandery Eat 6:30 PM	Jan 3 Southside and Worth Commandery Eat 6:00 PM	Jan 4	Jan 5 Fort Worth York Rite TMRC 9 AM Breakfast 7:30 (\$5)
Jan 6	Jan 7 Arlington Chapter Royal Arch Degree Eat at 6:00 PM	Jan 8	Jan 9 Springtown Stated Meeting Eat 6:00 PM	Jan 10	Jan 11	Jan 12
Jan 13	Jan 14 York Rite Riverside Meet at 7:30 PM Arlington Eat 6:00 PM	Jan 15 Denton Commandery Eat 6:00 PM	Jan 16 York Rite Ridglea Eat 6:30 PM	Jan 17 through Jan 19 Grand Lodge of Texas – Waco Please come Fellowship with Most Worshipful Chapman during this important Grand Lodge Session.		
Jan 20	Jan 21 York Rite Hurst Eat 6 PM 6 pm Stephenville 6 pm Arlington Commandery	Jan 22 Tarrant County York Rite Association/ York Rite College 6:45 pm	Jan 23	Jan 24 Fort Worth Scottish Rite Meeting.	Jan 25 Grand Master's Banquet	Jan 26 Riverside Chapter Degrees in Smithfield Lodge Grand Master Conference
Jan 27	Jan 28 York Rite Stephenville Eat 6 pm	Jan 29	Jan 30	Jan 31	Feb 1	Feb 2 Fort Worth York Rite TMRC 9 AM Breakfast 7:30 (\$5)



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

TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2018 AT 6:45 PM
ALL MASONS INVITED!!!!
FORT WORTH TEMPLE
1100 HENDERSON STREET
FORT WORTH TEXAS
ELECTION / INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

To Discuss:
Grand Chapter/Council Results in Waco
Lots of other good stuff

DINNER BEFOREHAND ...
5:00 'ish at the MEXICAN INN

612 N Henderson St, Fort Worth, TX 76107



TCYRA President Colby Spicer



Pre-Eminent Governor Joseph Spencer



GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF TEXAS

GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS OF TEXAS



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS 2018

ALL EVENTS ARE HELD IN THE GRAND LODGE MEMORIAL TEMPLE, 715 COLUMBUS, WACO, TX, IN THE LOWER AUDITORIUM UNLESS SPECIFIED.

Thursday, Dec. 6	8:00 AM	Various called Committee meetings
	8:30 AM to 1:00 PM	Registration Open
	8:30 AM	Meeting of the Sovereign York Rite Colleges of TX
	10:00 AM	Texas York Rite College #14 Meeting
	11:00 AM	Texas Priory No. 23, KYCH Meeting
	2:00 PM	Grand Chapter/Grand Council Memorial Service
	6:30 PM	Grand Chapter/Grand Council Banquet at Lee Lockwood Scottish Rite Temple, 2801 W. Waco Dr.
Friday, Dec. 7	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
	11:30 AM	Past Grand's Luncheon (Private)
	1:00 PM	Opening of Grand Council Assembly
	4:30 PM	Order of the High Priesthood (Degree open to all present or Past High Priests) \$35.00 fee
	6:00 PM	Order of the Silver Trowel (Degree open to all present or Past TIMs) \$35.00 fee
Sat., Dec. 8	7:00 AM to 1:30 PM	Registration Open
	8:00 AM	Second Session Grand Chapter Convocation Elections & Installation Ceremonies
	1:00 PM	Second Session Grand Council Assembly Elections & Installation Ceremonies

Ladies Program

Thursday, Dec. 6	6:30 PM	Grand Chapter/Grand Council Banquet Lee Lockwood Scottish Rite Temple, 2801 West Waco Drive
Friday, Dec. 7	11:30 AM	Ladies Luncheon Sleep Inn & Suites Hewitt, 209 Enterprise Blvd., Hewitt 76643, 254-420-3200



**PROPOSED
RESOLUTIONS
TO BE CONSIDERED
AT OUR
ANNUAL GRAND CHAPTER CONVOCATION
AND
ANNUAL GRAND COUNCIL ASSEMBLY
TO BE HELD
DECEMBER 7-8, 2018**



- Chapter Resolution 1 – Change Springtown name to Goodnight Loving
- Chapter Resolution 2 – Move Dallas Chapter to John L. DeGrazier Masonic Center
- Chapter Resolution 3 – Change name of Cleveland Chapter to Wes Irvine Chapter
- Chapter Resolution 4 – Statements of Availability to contain objectives
- Chapter Resolution 5 – Objectives and Plans of the Deputy Grand High Priest
- Chapter Resolution 6 – Redistricting
- Chapter Recommendation 1 – Change dates of the forms.
- Council Resolution 1 – Change Springtown name to Goodnight Loving
- Council Resolution 2 – Move Dallas Council to John L. DeGrazier Masonic Center
- Council Resolution 3 – Change name of Cleveland Chapter to Wes Irvine Chapter
- Council Resolution 4 – Statements of Availability to contain objectives
- Council Resolution 5 – Objectives and Plans of the Deputy Grand Master

**STATEMENT OF AVAILABILITY
FOR
RIGHT EXCELLENT GRAND SCRIBE**



CECIL R. CURRY, II

Ennis Chapter No. 135, R.A.M.

Exalted – August 14, 1993

High Priest – 1999

Endowed Member – 1996

Cornerstone Award Recipient – 2016

Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas

Order of High Priesthood – December 4, 2000

District Deputy Grand High Priest, Capitular Dist. 16 – 2007

Esoteric Certificate Holder – 2013 to present

E: Grand Principal Sojourner – 2015

Grand Representative to Grand Chapter of Wyoming – 2015 to present

Printing Committee – 2011-2012, 2014-2018

**STATEMENT OF AVAILABILITY
FOR
RIGHT EXCELLENT GRAND SCRIBE**



RANDALL R. KIMBROUGH

Beaumont Chapter No. 188, R.A.M.

Exalted – November 22, 2002

High Priest – 2007

Endowed Member – 2015

Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas

Order of High Priesthood – 2007

District Deputy Grand High Priest, Capitular Dist. 5 – 2015

E: Grand Photographer – 2010, 2013, 2017

E: Grand Marshal – 2018

**STATEMENT OF AVAILABILITY
FOR
RIGHT EXCELLENT GRAND SCRIBE**



MARK D. MYER

Port Neches Chapter No. 436, R.A.M.

Exalted – February 11, 1981

High Priest -- 1983-84

Endowed – 2002

Beaumont Chapter No. 188, R.A.M.

Affiliated Plural -- 2004

Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas

Order of High Priesthood – 1983, Served as Grand High Priest 2001

E: Grand Master of the First Veil for MEGHP James W. Carter—1985

DDGHP, Capitular District 4 for MEGHP Clifford W. Aleshire – 1986

Elected and served on Committee on Work 1991-1995, Chairman 1995

E: Grand Chaplain for MEGHP William E. Schroeter – 1995

Purposes and Policies Committee 1999-2004, Chairman in 2001-2004

Grand Representative to the District of Columbia – 2001 to present

E: Grand Captain of the Host for MEGHP Thomas Snyder – 2012

Committee on Recognitions, Honors and Awards 2015-present

**STATEMENT OF AVAILABILITY
FOR
RIGHT EXCELLENT GRAND SCRIBE**



FRANCIS EDWIN "SKIP" SMITH, JR.

Love Field Chapter No. 478, R.A.M.

Exalted – 1994
Endowed – 2002

Oak Cliff Chapter No 373, R.A.M.(Consolidated with Midlothian 2007)

Affiliated Plural – 1997
High Priest – 2000
Endowed – 2001
Comerstone Award – 2002

Hillsboro Chapter No. 152, R.A.M.

Affiliated Plural – 2008
Endowed – 2015
Royal Arch Captain – 2016, 2017, 2018

Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas

Esoteric Certificate – 1999-Present
Order of High Priesthood
District Deputy Grand High Priest, Capitular Dist. 15 – 2002
Jurisprudence Committee – 2003-2007, 2013-Present
Grand Representative to Grand Chapter of Virginia – 2007-Present
Excellent Grand Master of the 1st Veil – 2007
Excellent Grand Orator – 2008
Purposes and Policies Committee – 2008-2012
District Deputy Grand High Priest, Capitular Dist. 17 – 2011
Excellent Grand Marshal – 2017

**STATEMENT OF AVAILABILITY
FOR
MEMBER, COMMITTEE ON WORK**



BARRY D. BRUNK, SR.

Ennis Chapter No. 135, R.A.M.

Exalted – May 31, 1975
High Priest – 1991-1992, 1992-1993
Endowed Member – October 2, 2006
Secretary – 2007 - 2018
Cornerstone Award – 2015

Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas

District Deputy Grand High Priest, Dist. 18 – 1994
District Deputy Grand High Priest, Dist. 15 – 2013
Order of High Priesthood – 2007
Excellent Grand Marshal – 2012
School Secretary- Committee on Work – 2012 -2018

Ennis Council No. 81, R.&S.M.

Greeted – May 31, 1975
Thrice Illustrious Master – 1991-1992, 1992-1993
Endowed Member – October 2, 2006
Recorder – 2007 - 2018
Cryptic Triangle Award – 2012

Grand Council of Royal & Select Masters of Texas

Order of the Silver Trowel – 2007
Super Excellent Masters Degree
District Deputy Grand Master, District 16 – 2008
School Secretary- Committee on Work – 2012 -2018
Royal Purple Service Award – 2014

**STATEMENT OF AVAILABILITY
FOR
TEXAS MASONIC RETIREMENT CENTER
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**



RICHARD W. GAISER

Tyler Chapter No. 24, R. A. M.
Exalted – October 15, 1994
High Priest – 2003
Treasurer – 2004 to present

Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas
Order of the High Priesthood – 2004
District Deputy Grand High Priest Dist 4 – 2005, 2012 (pro-tem)
York Rite Festival, Liaison & Coordinating Comm. – 2010-2014
Texas Masonic Retirement Center Board of Directors – 2013-2017
E: Grand Master of the 1st Veil – 2016
Investments Committee –2016-Present, Co-Chairman 2015

**STATEMENT OF AVAILABILITY
FOR
RIGHT ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND PRINCIPAL
CONDUCTOR OF THE WORK**



JACKIE WAYNE MATTHEWS

Keystone Council No. 112, R.&S.M.

Greeted – 1998

Thrice Illustrious Master – 2001, 2008, 2009, 2015, 2016

Endowed Member – 2007

Sam J. Helm Council No. 363, R.&S.M.

Affiliated Plural – 2010

Thrice Illustrious Master – 2010, 2011, 2012

Treasurer – 2013, 2014, 2015

Member of Texas Priory 23, K.Y.C H. – April 2009

Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Texas

District Deputy Grand Master, Cryptic District 33 – 2011

District Deputy Grand Master, Cryptic District 30 – 2013

Regional Membership Coordinator Region 9 – 2014 to present

Super Excellent Master Degree – 2016

I: Grand Sentinel – 2018

**STATEMENT OF AVAILABILITY
FOR
RIGHT ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND PRINCIPAL
CONDUCTOR OF THE WORK**



TIMOTHY F.E. TOWSON

Mabank Council No. 355, R.&S.M.

Greeted – November 10, 1983

Thrice Illustrious Master – 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987

Demitted – 2014

Garland Council No. 118, R.&S.M.

Affiliated Plural – 1989

Thrice Illustrious Master – 2007

Recorder – 2015 to present

Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Texas

District Deputy Grand Master, Cryptic District 8 – 1989

Esoteric Life Certificate – 2011

Investments Ad Hoc Committee – 1997, 1998

Investments Committee – 1999-2002, 2005-2008, 2014-2018,

Chairman 2006-2008

Finance Committee – 2003

Committee on Work – 2003 -2018, Chairman 2008, 2013, 2018

**STATEMENT OF AVAILABILITY
FOR
YORK RITE DEVELOPMENT FUND
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**



R. BRIAN COOK

Haggai Council No. 38, R.&S.M.

Greeted – September 22, 2012

Endowed – June 30, 2015

Super Excellent Master's Degree – June 11, 2016

Thrice Illustrious Master – 2017

John C. Callahan Council No. 408, R.&S.M.

Affiliated (Plural) – 2018

Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Texas

Order of the Silver Trowel – December 8, 2017



**Stephenville Chapter No. 140 R.A.M.
Stephenville Council No. 85 R. & S.M.
Stephenville Commandery No. 100 K.T.**



*Fourth Tuesday
from 6:30 to 7:30pm
January – May
August – October*

Will be hosting a
Masonic Study
of the
Capitular Degrees

*All Royal Arch Masons
are invited and
encouraged to attend.*



*To register or for additional
information, contact:
Chance Robinson
chance@aggienetwork.com*

*Join us each month as we
search for a deeper
understanding of the York Rite
degrees of Freemasonry.*



Stephenville Chapter No. 140 R.A.M. Stephenville Council No. 85 R. & S.M. Stephenville Commandery No. 100 K.T.



What: A series of eight seminars will be hosted by Stephenville Chapter, Council, and Commandery. The first five seminars will explore the source of the Capitular Degrees, their symbolism and esoteric meaning with the help of the *Capitular Development Course* developed by Piers Vaughan. An additional three seminars are tentatively planned for fall 2019 to be sponsored by the Council and Commandery respectively.

Who: Any Royal Arch Mason in good standing who is a member of a regular chapter recognized by the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas, and who is enrolled and registered. Subsequent seminars will require membership in the appropriate York Rite body (Council or Commandery.)

When: We will meet monthly on the fourth Tuesday of each month January through May, and August through October. A presentation followed by discussion will begin at 6:30 PM, and last no more than about an hour.

Where: Stephenville Masonic Lodge, 244 S Columbia Street in Stephenville.

Registration: Attendees may enroll at any meeting; however only those who attend January through May and participate in the Capitular Development Course (CDC) will receive a lapel pin acknowledging completion of the course. A registration fee of \$25 is payable to Stephenville Chapter No. 140, R.A.M.

Sponsorship: This series of seminars is sponsored by the York Rite Bodies in Stephenville, Texas.

Course Outline

- I. Background and Overview of Capitular, Cryptic, and Chivalric Masonry in the United States and Texas.** The January meeting will include a brief overview of all of the degrees of the York or American Rite of Freemasonry. At this first meeting, *CDC workbooks will be distributed.* January 22, 2019
- II. Mark Master Mason Degree.** At the February meeting we will discuss the origins of the Mark degree and esoteric lessons found within this informative degree. *CDC Session 2.* February 26, 2019
- III. Past Master Mason Degree.** At the March meeting we will discuss the background of the Past Master's Degree; differences between an Actual and Virtual Past Master; variations of the degree between jurisdictions and esoteric lessons. *CDC Session 3.* March 26, 2019
- IV. Most Excellent Master Degree.** At the April meeting we will discuss the history, purpose, and esoteric lessons of the symbolic completion and dedication of the Temple. *CDC Session 3.* April 23, 2019
- V. Royal Arch Mason Degree.** At the May meeting we will discuss the history and lessons of the Holy Royal Arch, the "very root, heart and marrow of Freemasonry." This meeting will complete the Capitular Development Course, and hopefully begin a lifetime of reflection and study of the degree that completes the Master Masons Degree and the spiritual temple. *CDC Session 4.* May 28, 2019
- VI. Royal Master.** At the August meeting we will hear a presentation on the history of the Cryptic Degrees in the United States and Texas. We will also discuss the esoteric lessons contained herein where we represented a zealous craftsman seeking masonic light from our ancient Grand Master. All Select Master Masons are invited to attend. August 27, 2019
- VII. Select Master.** At the September meeting we will discuss the esoteric lessons contained within the deposit and completion of ancient craft masonry. All Select Master Masons are invited to attend. September 24, 2019
- VIII. Chivalric Orders.** At the October meeting we will hear a presentation on the history of the Chivalric Orders, and discuss the symbolism of the Order of the Temple. We will also discuss plans for future Masonic Studies sponsored by the Stephenville York Rite Bodies. October 22, 2019

Editor: R. I. James Kirkpatrick, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Council of Texas
May the God of Love and Peace delight to dwell with and bless you.