

Tarrant County York Rite The Keystone



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Welcome to the April 2021 Edition Tarrant County York Rite Association Newsletter

News and Upcoming Schedule

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News / Events:

2021 Annual Tarrant County York Rite Festival honoring Loyd Addy is Tentatively Scheduled. We will honor **Loyd Addy** in the normal 2021 Festival tentatively scheduled for October 29 and 30.

Nit Pickers Degree Schedule

Special Hillsboro / Grandview Degrees for Grandview Chapter and Council

Wed Apr 28 – Grandview Council Degrees at **Hillsboro Lodge**

Area Degree Team schedule

Sat Apr 6 – 9:00 am – **TMRC Pecan Grove** Chapter – Past Master's Degree

Mon Apr 12 – 6:45 pm - **Arlington** Chapter – Royal Arch Degree

Tue Apr 27 - 6:30 pm – **Texas** Chapter – Royal Arch Degree

Trinity York Rite College Installation

Saturday, May 15th – Details forthcoming. Location: 3rd Floor Red Room – Fort Worth Temple

UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS – April and May 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				Apr 1 Southside and Worth Commanderies	Saturday Apr 3 York Rite Conference in Houston	Apr 3 TMRC Past Master's 9 am Cleburne Stated 9 am
Apr 4	Apr 5	Apr 6 Southside and Texas York Rite 7:00 pm	Apr 7 Tarrant Chap / Council 6:30 Weatherford Commandery	Apr 8	Apr 9 Grand Prairie Chapter and Council 7 pm	Apr 10
Apr 11	Apr 12 Riverside York Rite 7 PM Arlington Royal Arch 6:45 PM Hillsboro York Rite 7:00 PM	Apr 13	Apr 14 Goodnight- Loving Chapter and Council 7 pm	Apr 15 Fort Worth Scottish Rite Cleburne Commandery 7pm	Apr 16 Apr 17 Grand Commandery Session Virtual – Zoom Meetings	
Apr 18	Apr 19 N.E. Tarrant York Rite 7:00 PM Arlington and Stephenville Commanderies	Apr 20 Worth's Hiram Abif AMD – Ftw Temple 7pm Denton Commandery 7:30 pm	Apr 21 York Rite Ridglea 7:30 PM	Apr 22	Apr 23	Apr 24 York Rite Conference Leander 9 am
Apr 25	Apr 26 Stephenville York Rite 7:00 pm	Apr 27 Grandview Official Visit Council 6:30 pm Texas Chapter Royal Arch Degree 6:30 pm	Apr 27 Grandview Council Degrees at Hillsboro Lodge 6:30 pm	Apr 29	Apr 30	May 1 TMRC MEM Degree 9 am Cleburne Stated 9 am
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May 9	May 10 Riverside York Rite 7 PM Arlington Council Degrees 6:45 PM Hillsboro York Rite 7:00 PM	May 11	May 12 Goodnight- Loving Chapter and Council 7 pm	May 13	May 14 Grand Prairie Chapter and Council 7 pm	May 15 Trinity York Rite College Installation "Morning" Fort Worth Temple
May 16	May 17 N.E. Tarrant York Rite 7:00PM Arlington and Stephenville Commanderies	May 18 Denton Commandery 7:30 pm	May 19 York Rite Ridglea 7:30 PM	Apr 15 Fort Worth Scottish Rite Cleburne Commandery 7pm	May 21	May 22
May 23	May 24 Stephenville York Rite 7:00 pm	May 25 Grandview York Rite 6:30 pm Texas Council Degree 6:30 pm	May 26	May 27	May 28	May 29 Robert Bruce Brannon AMD at Arlington 8:00 am



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



President
R.:E.: and R.:I.: Neal Addy



Governor-Elect
V.:I.: Don Paul Payton



Nit Picker
Degree Team



We had a wonderful meeting of the Association and the College last night.

Message from Governor Ricky Cox

Congratulations to The new elected officers of Trinity York Rite College
Governor [Don Paul Payton](#)
Deputy Governor [Gabriel Jagush](#)
Chancellor [Zachary Haston](#)
Treasure [Bob Brunk](#)
Secretary [Billy Hamilton](#)

It is a huge honor to be a member and humbling to serve as Governor . Thankful for this amazing organization

**Trinity York Rite College Installation is set for Saturday, May 15th · For Don Paul Payton
More Details later this month and in the next newsletter.**

Message from our President of the Tarrant County York Rite Association, Neal Addy:

Tarrant County York Rite Association
March 30, 2021

Greetings Companions! I hope all is well for you and your families.

I want to thank all of those who attended the March 30th meeting of the Tarrant County York Rite Association. It was good to see so many turn out for the occasion. For those who were not able to attend, here is a brief summary of what you missed:

- 1) 2021 Tarrant County York Rite Festival –
 - a. This year's festival will be held at the Fort Worth Masonic Temple, and is tentatively scheduled for Friday, October 29th and Saturday, October 30th.
 - b. This year's festival committee will consist of the following Companions. I want to thank them for their willingness to serve:
Hobie Henderson, Gabriel Jagush, James Kirkpatrick (chair), Wayne Roberson
 - c. As has been done in the past, the festival will confer all Chapter and Council degrees and Commandery Orders. The association has decided that we will not do an SEM degree as part of this year's festival.
 - d. Chapters and Councils should plan to do the same degrees as were scheduled last year. However, we will be reaching out to our Companions outside of the Tarrant County area and inviting them to participate. Some Chapters or Councils may wish to combine forces to confer their respective degrees. The festival committee will be looking into this and offering guidance.
- 2) Nitpicker's Degree Team - Many area bodies have had candidates awaiting degrees for an extended period of time due to Covid, but are struggling to confer their own degrees in-house. This degree team has been formed for the purpose of assisting in just such situations. Please contact me if this describes your Chapter or Council. Let us help get your candidates moving forward.
- 3) Special recognition and appreciation was extended to our very own native son, Very Illustrious Past Grand Master, Don Paul Payton, for his wisdom and strength in guiding our Cryptic fraternity over the rough and rugged road of 2020. One of his many accomplishments was the Grand Masters Fund which raised a total of \$25,295.00 for the "No Masons Left Behind" program. Well done, Very Illustrious!
- 4) TMRC Family Day – A question was raised as to whether the TCYRA should either: 1) set up a booth on Family Day, or 2) participate in the BBQ Competition. We will discuss this further in the June meeting.

Companions, thank you for all you do for Texas York Rite Masonry. I am proud to serve alongside such a fine group of men and Masons.

May the Supreme Grand Artificer of the Universe bless and keep you and your family.

With Fervency and Zeal,
Neal

New Districts Defined for Chapter and Council in our Area

We serve 3 districts now --- in this newsletter coverage

District 11 – Goodnight-Loving, Grandview, Cleburne, Stephenville, Hillsboro

District 19 – Texas, Southside, Tarrant and Ridglea

District 20 – TMRC Pecan Grove, Arlington, Riverside, Grand Prairie
and Northeast Tarrant

Here are some of the Grand Officers from our local area districts:

Right Excellent Grand King – F. E. “Skip” Smith

Right Excellent Grand Scribe – Jim Manley

Right Excellent Grand Treasurer – John A, Hughes

Excellent Grand Captain of the Host – Ricky Cox

Excellent Grand Master of the 3rd Veil – Neal Addy

Excellent Grand Organist – Matthew Fisher

Excellent Grand Photographer – Hobie D. Henderson

Most Illustrious Grand Master – Jackie W. Matthews (He is local member of Acon)

Right Illustrious Deputy Grand Master – Bob Brunk

Right Illustrious Grand Treasurer – John A, Hughes

Illustrious Grand Chaplain – Billy Hamilton

Illustrious Grand Photographer – Hobie D. Henderson

Official Visit schedules:

DDGHP-11 Jerry Hudson

April 12 – Hillsboro Chapter 7:30 pm

April 14 – Goodnight Loving Chapter 6:30 pm

May 1 – Cleburne – 9:00 am

May 25 – Grandview – 7:00 pm

Note: He had a visit earlier at Stephenville Chapter

DDGHP-19 Billy Hamilton and DDGM-19 David Kisselburg

April 1 – Southside (Chapter only)

April 6 – Texas (Both Chapter and Council)

April 7 – Tarrant (Both Chapter and Council)

April 21 – Ridglea (Both Chapter and Council)

May 4 – Southside (Council Only)

DDGHP-20 Corey Harris and DDGM-20 Zachary Haston

April 9 – Grand Prairie (Council Only)

May 1 – TMRC Pecan Grove (Both Chapter and Council)

May 10 – Arlington (Both Chapter and Council)

May 14 – Grand Prairie (Chapter only)

May 17 – Northeast Tarrant (Both Chapter and Council)

June 14 – Riverside (Both Chapter and Council)

Don Paul Payton (board of the GL library and Museum) with **Billy Hamilton**) presenting Trinity York Rite College their Sam Houston Hall of Fame Membership Certificate and pin that will be passed down to a representative member to attend banquet each year.

The College also donated 1000.00 dollars to the TMRC No Mason Left behind program ...

Great job Companions!! Proud of this College

Article By: Ricky Cox, Governor, Trinity York Rite College #154



York Rite School of Instruction

Thu Oct 21 to Sat Oct 23

Attention Companions! The Annual York Rite School of Instruction is back in business! This year's school will be held at the Grand Lodge building in Waco on Thursday, October 21 through Saturday, October 23, 2021. Registration will start on Thursday and Friday at 8:00 am with the morning session starting at 9:00 am. This is a great opportunity to learn our beautiful ritual from the Committee on Work in a relaxed and casual atmosphere, as well as have fun and fellowship with Companions from all across the state.

The school is open to ALL levels of ritual proficiency. No prior knowledge is needed, just bring your ritual books and be willing to learn.

Information regarding this year's ritual team competition will be announced at a later date.

Neal Addy, Committee on Work



Texas Masonic Retirement Center

Texas Masonic Retirement Center

A toast to welcome visitors!



Visitor policies updated!

Check out new relaxed rules

Nursing Care Area - Visitor Policy

Independent Living - Visitor Policy

Nursing Care Area Visitor Policy

Update from Gary Blair, Superintendent, Texas Masonic Retirement Center
March 23, 2021

We're very happy to announce the Texas State Health Department has made changes to ease restrictions for visitors to the Nursing Care Area of Texas Masonic Retirement Center

Here's the quick good news—

- Residents may enjoy visits from friends and family—not just Essential Caregivers!
- Two Essential Caregivers may visit a resident at the same time!
- COVID-19 tests are NOT required prior to visits!
- Visits may be in a resident's room or outdoors!
- End-of-life situations now offer much more flexibility for multiple visitors!

Should an outbreak of COVID-19 occur on our campus, ALL visitation to the Nursing Care Area will cease until further notice, except for Essential Caregivers and end-of-life visits.

Indoor and Outdoor Visits – Family & Friends

Please review all information described below for requirements before and during your visit to a Nursing Care Area resident. Family and friends may visit if the resident has a negative COVID-19 status. Should an outbreak occur or if the resident has a positive COVID-19 status or is in quarantine, visits will not be allowed except by Essential Caregivers.

End-of-Life Visits

We will make every accommodation possible to allow unrestricted visits to a resident experiencing an end-of-life situation. This includes residents on hospice care or whose prognosis does not indicate recovery—regardless of the resident's COVID-19 status. Visitors to these residents must follow all policies for visitation described below for preparations before the visit, scheduling, and onsite rules.

Essential Caregiver Summary

- Essential caregivers may visit a resident in an indoor or outdoor setting even if an outbreak of COVID-19 has occurred on our campus and regardless of a resident's COVID-19 status. Family and friends cannot visit if an outbreak occurs or if the resident has a positive COVID-19 status or is in quarantine.
- TMRC residents may name up to 2 people as "Essential Caregivers."
- This is a permanent decision and should not be changed unless there are major changes in the caregivers' status.
- Residents have been given forms to complete for naming "Essential Caregivers."
- Visitors cannot visit more than one resident at a time, even if they are deemed an "Essential Caregiver" for more than one resident.
- Must complete 15 minute advance training on wearing mask (bring your own), protective equipment, infection control, hand hygiene, cough and sneeze etiquette.
- Essential Caregivers must follow policies described below prior to a visit and upon arrival.

Schedule Your Visit

Schedule your visit in advance with TMRC staff by calling 817-275-2893 ext. 36.

Visiting Hours

- Monday through Friday from 7am to 4 pm
- Other visiting times may be scheduled on a case-by-case basis.
- At our sole discretion, we may limit the number of visitors, frequency, and/or duration of visits in an effort to allow all residents to receive visitors and provide for the health and safety of the staff and other residents.

Upon Arrival at TMRC

- Arrive at rear entry employee entrance — Take first right after entering campus. Drive around to the employee parking lot. Enter at check-in area at employee entrance.
- Visitors must wear a mask (bring your own).
- Present a photo ID.
- Allow screening for any sign and symptoms of COVID-19 or respiratory illness.

During the Visit

- Visitors must maintain at least 6 ft of distance between themselves and staff or residents other than those they are visiting.
- Visitors cannot interact with any other resident.
- Visits must take place in the resident's room or in an outdoor area. Common areas cannot be used for visitation.
- Visitors cannot participate in any community activities like meals, bingo, or other events.
- Visitors and fully vaccinated residents may choose to have close or personal contact during an indoor or outdoor visit. Fully vaccinated residents must wear a well-fitting face covering or facemask during close contact. No close contact allowed for unvaccinated residents and visitors.

Independent Living Visitor Policy

**Update from Gary Blair, Superintendent, Texas Masonic Retirement Center
March 11, 2021**

Visitors Welcome for Independent Living Residents!

Any resident living in an apartment or duplex cottage may welcome visitors to their home, room, or an outdoor area.

Some limitations must continue for resident and staff safety. Please read over our new rules below:

Visitation policies will change under these circumstances

- If the COVID-19 positive case rate for Tarrant County rises above 10%, we may change our visitor policy.
- If a COVID-19 positive diagnosis in a staff member or resident occurs within the past 14 days, we will limit visitors.

Visitor Policy – General

- No visitors allowed for any resident currently in quarantine.
- Limited to 2 visitors per resident for any single visit
- Visitors must be free from any signs or symptoms of COVID-19 or any other respiratory infection.

Visiting Hours

Monday through Friday from 7am to 4 pm

Other visiting times may be scheduled on a case-by-case basis.

During Visit

- All visitors must sign in and be screened at the main entrance to TMRC.
- Visitors must sanitize their hands upon entering the building.
- Masks must be worn by both the resident and the visitor during the entire visit.
- Visits must take place in the resident's room or in an outdoor area. Common areas cannot be used for visitation.
- Visitors should take the most direct route to and from a resident's room or an outdoor visiting area. Visitors are not permitted to wander around the building.
- Visitors cannot participate in any community activities like meals, bingo, or other events.

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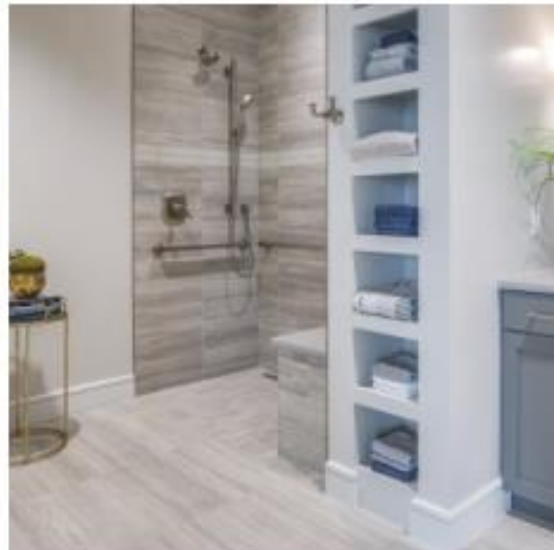


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James Kirkpatrick, Editor
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