

Tarrant County York Rite



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Tarrant County York Rite Association Newsletter

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Degrees and Commandery Installation Schedule

November 30 – York Rite College Degree – Trinity York Rite College – at 6:45 at Fort Worth Temple

December 14 – Dad Pender Chapter in Denton – Royal Arch Mason Degree. Eat 6 pm, Degree 7 pm

December 15 - TMRC Pecan Grove Chapter – Past Master's Degree – 7 pm

January 19 – TMRC Pecan Grove Chapter – Most Excellent Master's Degree – 7 pm

TBD – Southside Commandery and Cleburne Commandery Open Installations -

December 2 – Worth Commandery Open Installation – 6 pm

December 20 – Arlington Commandery Open Installation – Eat at 6 pm

December 21 – Denton Commandery Open Installation – 7:30pm - Dinner Off site contact Lane Pierce 6:30 pm

December 28 – Stephenville Commandery Open Installation / Christmas Observance – Eat 6 pm

Tarrant Chapter/Council dark in December – TMRC Pecan Grove Stated Meeting dark in December & January.

Mark your calendar: **March 5, 2022 – Rose Upon the Altar at TMRC – More details coming later.**

UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS – December 2021 and January 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Nov 28	Nov 29	Nov 30 Trinity York Rite College Degree – 6:45pm	Dec 1 Weatherford Commandery eat 6:30 pm	Dec 2 Southside and Worth Commanderies Installations 6pm	Dec 3	Dec 4 Robert Bruce Brannon AMD TMRC 9am Cleburne Stated 9 am
Dec 5	Dec 6	Dec 7 Southside and Texas Chapter and Council	Dec 8 Goodnight-Loving 7 pm	Dec 9 through Dec 11 Grand Chapter Convocation Grand Council Assembly Mark D. Myer Message on pages 3 and 4		
Dec 12	Dec 13 Riverside York Rite 7 PM Arlington York Rite 6:45 PM	Dec 14 Dad Pender Royal Arch Degree Eat 6pm Degree 7 pm	Dec 15 York Ridglea 7:30 pm TMRC Past Master's Degree 7 pm	Dec 16 Cleburne Commandery 7pm	Dec 17	Dec 18 Sweet Home Lodge 1:30pm Arlington Christmas at AMF 7 PM
Dec 19	Dec 20 N.E. Tarrant York Rite 7:00PM Commandery: Arlington Installation 6pm Stephenville 6pm	Dec 21 7:30 pm Denton Commandery Installation Eat offsite 6:30 Location TBD	Dec 22	Dec 23	Dec 24	Dec 25 Christmas Day
Dec 26	Dec 27 Stephenville York Rite 7 pm	Dec 28 Grandview York Rite 6:30 pm Stephenville Installation 6 pm	Dec 29	Dec 30	Dec 31	Jan 1 New Year's Day
Jan 2	Jan 3	Jan 4 Southside and Texas Chapter and Council	Jan 5 Tarrant York Rite eat 6pm Weatherford Commandery eat 6:30 pm	Jan 6 Southside and Worth Commanderies	Jan 7	Jan 8 Sweet Home Lodge 1:30pm
Jan 9	Jan 10 York Rite Riverside 7 PM Arlington 6:45pm	Jan 11	Jan 12 Goodnight-Loving 7 pm	Jan 13	Jan 14 Grand Prairie Chapter and Council 7 pm	Jan 15 York Rite Conference Nederland TX
Jan 16	Jan 17 N.E. Tarrant York Rite 7:00PM Arlington and Stephenville Commanderies	Jan 18 7:30 pm Denton Commandery Dinner 6:30 pm	Jan 19 York Ridglea 7:30 pm TMRC Most Excellent Master's 7 pm	Jan 20 through Jan 22 Grand Lodge of Texas Annual Communication Grand Master Kenneth C. Curry Presiding		
Jan 23	Jan 24 Stephenville York Rite 7 pm	Jan 25 Grandview York Rite 6:30 pm TCYRA Election 6:45 pm	Jan 26	Jan 27	Jan 28	Jan 29
Jan 30	Jan 31	Feb 1 Southside and Texas Chapter and Council	Feb 2 Tarrant York Rite eat 6pm Weatherford Commandery eat 6:30 pm	Feb 3 Southside and Worth Commanderies	Feb 4	Feb 5 TMRC Pecan Grove 9 am Cleburne Stated 9 am York Rite Conference Abilene TX

Message from our Grand high Priest Most Excellent Mark D. Myer

**BEAUTIFUL SET OF ROYAL ARCH BANNERS TO BE GIVEN AWAY AT ANNUAL
GRAND CHAPTER CONVOCATION!!**



Right Excellent **Robertino Solon**, District Deputy Grand High Priest of Capitular District No. 17 this year from McAllen, has made a beautiful set of Banners for the Four Veils of the Royal Arch Degree. Each Banner displays one of the four colors used in making the original veils of the Tabernacle enclosing the Ark of the Covenant (*Exodus 26:31-36*). The Banners also display the emblem and name of the four Jewish tribes from which God chose workmen to construct the Tabernacle and its veils, vessels and furniture. Right Excellent Companion Solon has graciously donated his time and the materials to make these Banners, along with the stands to display them. He would like to donate them to a deserving Chapter that will use them in their Chapter Degree work.

The Banners will be set up for display across from the registration desk at the beginning of the annual Grand Chapter Convocation on December 10, 2021. As each Chapter High Priest or designated Chapter representative completes his registration, he may then take his credentials to the Banner display table and register to win the set of Banners by simply showing his Chapter ballot book to the Banner Registrar and signing for his Chapter. Only one entry is allowed for each Chapter. The drawing for the winner will take place on Saturday morning, December 11, 2021 prior to the start of elections. Good luck to all who enter the drawing!



Mark D. Myer, Most Excellent Grand High Priest

Tarrant County York Rite Association

November 16, 2021

Companions,

First, I want to thank all the Companions and Sir Knights who participated in the TCYRA Festival on October 29th and 30th. We had a fantastic festival with a total of 34 candidates and YOU made it happen! Once again, you proved that North Texas is home to some of the best ritualists in the state. Special thanks to those who worked so hard behind the scenes to coordinate meals, registration, furniture and implements, etc.

Second, remember that the Annual Grand Convocation and Assembly are just around the corner. Various activities, including a memorial service, KYCH, and annual banquet, will begin on Thursday, December 9th. The Grand Convocation and Assembly will be held on Friday 10th and Saturday 11th. Note that several of our local Companions have made themselves available for various positions. Please encourage your Chapter and Council's members to turn out and vote for the Companion of their choice. Also note that the TCYRA will be hosting our annual Heroes of York Rite Breakfast on Saturday, December 11th at George's Restaurant at 6:30 am. The cost for breakfast will be \$15.00 per person. This year we will share the breakfast with our Companions in the Texas York Rite Esoteric Association.

Also note that the Order of the High Priesthood and Order of the Silver Trowel degrees will be conferred on Friday, December 10th starting at 4:30 pm. These beautiful degrees are open to all past and sitting High Priests and Thrice Illustrious Masters. You don't want to miss these.

And finally Companions, 2021 has been a busy year for all of us. I want to offer my heart-felt thanks to each of you for your hard work this year. Due to a backlog of candidates created by the pandemic we have seen a surge in degrees and many of you have worked hard in the quarries to move these Brothers forward. It has not been unusual for a Chapter or Council to confer a single degree on as many as 17 candidates in one night. Festivals have been averaging as many as 30 to 40 candidates. It is because of your diligence and love for the Craft that these new Companions have received more light in Masonry. We should all be proud of the work that has been done.

I look forward to seeing each of you in the Tarrant County York Rite Association meeting on Tuesday, November 30th at 6:45 pm.

The Lord bless thee, and keep thee:

The Lord make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee:

The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace. (Num 6:24-26)

Neal Addy, President TCYRA

Grand Convocation and Assembly Announcement

October 8, 2021

Dear Companion:

We hope that you are making plans to attend the Annual Grand Sessions this year and **Most Excellent Grand High Priest Mark D. Myer** and **Most Illustrious Grand Master Jackie W. Matthews** would like to remind you of the upcoming important dates:

1. **The Grand Chapter Convocation and the Grand Council Assembly will be held Friday and Saturday December 10th and 11th, 2021.**

All meetings will take place in the Main Auditorium, Masonic Grand Lodge Memorial Temple, 715 Columbus, Ave., Waco, TX, unless otherwise designated.

2. A meeting of the **York Rite Colleges of Texas** will be held on Thursday morning, December 9th at 8:30 A.M. by the Grand Governor, Nick R. Ramos. The Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, 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 the coming year.
3. **Texas York Rite College #14** will meet on Thursday, December 9th at 10:00 A.M.
4. **Texas Priory No. 23, K.Y.C.H.**, Conferral, Business Meeting, Election and Installation of Officers will be held on Thursday, December 9th, at 11:00 A.M.
5. **Memorial Services** will be held on Thursday afternoon, December 9th, at 2:00 P.M.
6. The **Annual Banquet** will be held Thursday evening, December 9th, at 6:30 P.M., at Lee Lockwood Scottish Rite Library & Museum, 2801 West Waco Drive.
7. The **Order of the Silver Trowel** and **Order of High Priesthood** will be conferred on Friday evening, December 10th beginning at 4:30 P.M. (**All PHPs & PTIMs are eligible to receive these degrees.**) Degree Fee is payable at registration table.
8. **Banquet tickets will be \$25.00.** A form is enclosed for you to reserve these tickets and you are requested to please do so by **November 29th**. 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 Thursday, December 9th, it is suggested that you please note the same on the form, enclose your remittance, and we will mail the tickets to you. Please make your checks payable to the "Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas". **There will be no un-reserved tickets sold on Thursday, December 9th.**
9. **Please call the hotels directly for reservations. A block of rooms is reserved at the Sleep Inn & Suites Hewitt, 254-420-3200 (\$85.41+tax) and the Ramada Hewitt 254-732-9823 (\$95.00+tax). Mention "Grand Chapter". These hotels are both at the Sun Valley Exit 328 on IH-35 South in Hewitt, TX.**
10. Remember to bring your **Current Dues Cards**, and your **Proxy Forms** if your Secretary-Recorder has not previously mailed them to the Gr. Sec-Rec.'s Office.
11. There is a **Registration Fee** of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) per Texas member attending. This is to help offset the cost of the extra Security. Make checks payable to "Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas".
12. PLEASE DO NOT PROCRASTINATE!

Sincerely and fraternally,

Kenneth E. Cooley, Grand Secretary-Recorder

Greeting Companions,

The Annual Meeting of the **Texas York Rite Esoteric Association** will be held on Saturday, December 11, 2021, at George's Restaurant at 6:30 AM.

Our group will join the Tarrant County York Rite Association for a first-class extremely delicious breakfast. Then we will have our annual business meeting and election of officers.

The cost for breakfast will be just **\$15.00** per person.

This is our Annual Meeting; and marks our first Annual Meeting to be lawfully held during Grand **Chapter** and **Council**.

The officers are:

President - Jim Rumsey

Vice President - Michael Malone

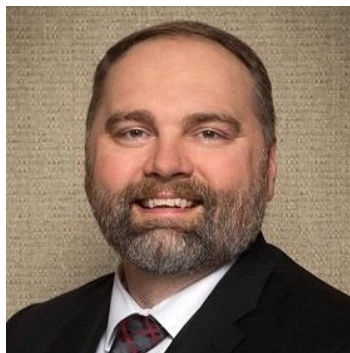
Treasurer - B. J. Young

Secretary - Hobie Henderson

Chaplain - Chance Chapman

Marshal - Aaron Tyksinski

Master of Ceremonies - Don Paul Payton



Jim Rumsey, President



Michael Malone, VP

We will elect a new Vice President. The new President (**Michael Malone**, if Tradition Prevails) will announce other officer appointments after the election.

George's



**TEXAS YORK RITE
GRAND CHAPTER AND COUNCIL
State Conference Schedule 2022**

Date	Host	Location
Saturday, January 15, 2022	Port Neches Council No. 413	Nederland Lodge No. 1368, 1204 N 27th St., Nederland, TX 77627
Saturday, February 5, 2022	Big Country Council No. 192	Abilene Lodge No. 559, 1265 1/2 North 2nd St., Abilene, TX 79601
Saturday, February 19, 2022	Haggai Council No. 38	McKinney York Rite Temple, 1811 North Ridge Rd., McKinney, TX 75071
Saturday, March 12, 2022	Park Place Council No. 373	Houston Scottish Rite, 2401 West Bellfort, Houston, TX 77054
Saturday, March 26, 2022	Borger Council No. 354	Unity Lodge No. 1242, 210 W. Grand, Borger, TX 79007
Saturday, April 2, 2022	Arlington Council No. 314	Arlington Lodge No. 438, 1415 West Abram, Arlington, TX 76004
Saturday, April 30, 2022	George M. Patrick Council No. 13	St. John's Lodge No. 53, 323 W. Front St., Tyler, TX 75702
Saturday, May 7, 2022	El Paso Council No. 98	El Paso Lodge No. 130, 1505 Magruder St., El Paso, TX 79925
Saturday, May 21, 2022	San Antonio Council No. 14	Alzafar Shrine, 901 N Loop 1604 W., San Antonio, TX 78232
Saturday, August 6, 2022	Waco Council No. 33	Grand Lodge of Texas Memorial Temple, 715 Columbus Ave., Waco, TX 76701



Grand Council Of Royal & Select Masters Of Texas



CONFERRAL SCHEDULE

NEDERLAND

January 15, 2022

Registration Deadline: January 1, 2022

Port Neches Council No 413
1204 N 27th St., Nederland, TX 77627

Contact Casey Maxwell
409-540-6069
clmaxwell7@aol.com

ABILENE

February 5, 2022

Registration Deadline: January 22, 2022

Big Country Council No 192
1265 1/2 North 2nd St., Abilene, TX 79601

Contact Jerry Pingle
325-338-3015
Pingle7033@gmail.com

MCKINNEY

February 19, 2022

Registration Deadline: February 5, 2022

Haggai Council No 38
1811 Ridge Road, McKinney, TX 75071

Contact Brian Cook
214-264-7879
briancook74@gmail.com

HOUSTON

March 12, 2022

Registration Deadline: February 26, 2022

Park Place Council No 373
2401 West Bellfort, Houston, TX 77054

Contact Arthur Souza, Jr.
713-582-9453
pporkrite_recorder@gmail.com

BORGER

March 26, 2022

Registration Deadline: March 12, 2022

Borger Council No 354
210 W. Grand, Borger, TX 79007

Contact Terry Flippo
806-584-0695
borgermasons@gmail.com

ARLINGTON

April 2, 2022

Registration Deadline: March 19, 2022

Arlington Council No 314
1415 West Abram, Arlington, TX 76004

Contact Corey Harris
817-903-7071
corey.harris87@gmail.com

TYLER

April 30, 2022

Registration Deadline: April 16, 2022

George M. Patrick Council No 13
323 W. Front St., Tyler, TX 75702

Contact Joel Graeter
Telephone: 903 530-4610
yorkritetyler@gmail.com

EL PASO

May 7, 2022

Registration Deadline: April 23, 2022

El Paso Council No 98
1505 Magruder St., El Paso, TX 79925

Contact Ismael Gutierrez
915-255-8311
ismaelgutierrez@gmail.com

SAN ANTONIO

May 21, 2022

Registration Deadline: May 7, 2022

San Antonio Council No 14
901 N Loop 1604 W, San Antonio, TX 78232

Contact Buster Williams
(210) 707-0160
busterw33opc@gmail.com

WACO

August 6, 2022

Registration Deadline: July 23, 2022

Waco Council No 33
715 Columbus Ave, Waco, TX 76701

Contact Jon Spann
254-644-6336
Jon_Spann2003@yahoo.com



*Wear Your UGLY
Xmas Sweater*

Join us for the
**ARLINGTON LODGE CHRISTMAS
BOWLING PARTY**

Saturday, December 18th, 2021 @ 7:00 PM
AMF Spare Time Lanes
3149 S Cooper St, Arlington, TX 76015

RSVP to Paul Ferniuk by Dec 14
817-701-9783 or pferniuk@gmail.com



Ticket \$25 Per person includes bowling,
shoe rental, appetizers, raffle ticket,
and gift certificate



TMRC – Texas Masonic Retirement Community

Remembering some great Holiday Memories at TMRC

Picking Pumpkins --- and rolling up meatballs



Christmas Bingo with the Spencers and Bob Cagley (on the right)



Ring in the New Year



I also found some fun pictures from March to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. With Ann George, Don Cox and Gene Reynolds looking really great



Valentine's party – great residents, including Brother Jim Sharp who is obviously up to something



I found this: Ballet Folklorico's swirling skirts, tapping heels, and happy sounds brought great fun to TMRC



James Kirkpatrick, Editor

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