

# Tarrant County York Rite The Keystone



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Welcome to the January 2022 Edition  
Tarrant County York Rite Association Newsletter

## News and Upcoming Schedule

**Northeast Tarrant Chapter/Council (Formerly Hurst) voted to merge with Arlington. Paperwork started. Calendar on Page 2**

**Tarrant County York Rite Association Election of Officers, Page 3 – Tuesday, January 25, 2022 6:45 pm**

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### Degrees and Events Schedule

**TMRC Pecan Grove Stated Meeting dark in January.**

**January 8 – York Rite Festival – Orange Texas**

**January 8 – Carthage Commandery Orders – Carthage Texas**

**January 11 – Dad Pender Council Degrees – Denton**

**January 17 – Arlington Commandery Order of the Temple – Arlington – Eat at 6 pm**

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

**January 20-22 – Grand Lodge of Texas Annual Communication, VPM Degree after Installation.**

**January 25 - Tarrant County York Rite Association Election and Installation of Officers at 6:45 pm**

**January 26 – Worth Commandery Order of the Temple – 7 pm**

**January 29 – York Rite School of Instruction at Lone Star Chapter 6 in Austin at 9:00 am**

**February 15 – Huntsville Council Presentation on the TMRC – at 7 pm**

**February 16 – Arlington Chapter Royal Arch Degree – 7 pm**

**February 26 – York Rite School of Instruction in San Antonio at Scottish Rite Temple at 9:00 am**

**February 26 – Temple Chapter Festival, eat at 8 am, degrees at 9 am**

**March 8 – Temple Council Stated Meeting and Council Degrees, dinner at 6:30 pm**

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

## UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS – January and February

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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 Carthage TX Commandery Orders Orange York Rite Festival
Jan 9	Jan 10 Riverside 7 PM Arlington 6:45pm Meal 6 pm Hillsboro 7 pm	Jan 11 Dad Pender Council Degrees Eat 6pm	Jan 12 Goodnight-Loving 7 pm	Jan 13	Jan 14 Grand Prairie Chapter and Council 7 pm	Jan 15 Conference Nederland TX Sweet Home Lodge 1:30pm
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 Ridglea York Rite Eat 6:30 Meeting 7:30 TMRC Most Excellent Master's 7 pm	Jan 20 through Jan 22 Grand Lodge of Texas Annual Communication Grand Master <b>Kenneth C. Curry</b> Presiding <b>Virtual Past Master's Degree Conferral after Installation.</b>		
Jan 23	Jan 24 Stephenville York Rite 7 pm	Jan 25 Grandview York Rite 6:30 pm TCYRA Election 6:45 pm	Jan 26 Worth Commandery Order of the Temple	Jan 27	Jan 28	Jan 29 York Rite School at Lone Star #6 in Austin 9am
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 Conference Abilene TX
Feb 6	Feb 7	Feb 8	Feb 9 Goodnight-Loving 7 pm	Feb 10	Feb 11 Grand Prairie Chapter and Council 7 pm	Feb 12
<b>AMD and other bodies Masonic Week in Washington DC</b>						
Feb 13 Operatives Annual Meeting in DC	Feb 14 York Rite Riverside 7 PM Arlington 6:45pm Meal 6 pm Hillsboro 7 pm	Feb 15 7:30 pm Denton Commandery Dinner 6:30 pm Huntsville Council TMRC Presentation 7pm	Feb 16 Ridglea York Rite Eat 6:30 Meeting 7:30 Arlington Royal Arch Degree 7 pm	Feb 17 Cleburne Commandery 7 pm	Feb 18	Feb 19 Sweet Home Lodge at the TMRC 1:30 York Rite Conference McKinney TX
Feb 20	Feb 21 N.E. Tarrant York Rite 7:00PM Arlington and Stephenville Commanderies	Feb 22 Grandview York Rite 6:30 pm	Feb 23	Feb 24 through 27 Louisiana Grand York Rite Chapter/ Council/ Commandery Bossier City Louisiana		Feb 26 School in San Antonio – 8 am Temple Chapter #199 Degrees Eat at 8 am
Feb 27	Feb 28 Stephenville York Rite 7 pm	Mar 1 Southside and Texas Chapter and Council	Mar 2 Tarrant York Rite eat 6pm Weatherford Commandery eat 6:30 pm	Mar 3 Southside and Worth Commanderies	Mar 4	Mar 5 TMRC Pecan Grove 9 am Cleburne Stated 9 am Rose Play TMRC 11:30



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

Jan 25, 2022 AT 6:45 PM  
**ALL MASONS INVITED!!!!**  
FORT WORTH TEMPLE  
1100 HENDERSON STREET  
FORT WORTH TEXAS



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



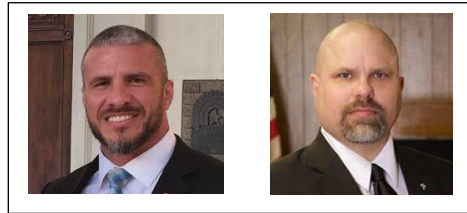
Pre-Eminent Governor  
R.: E.: V.: I.: Don Paul Payton



### 2022 - TCYRA Election of Officers:

#### Statements of Availability:

- For President: R.: I.: Companion Brent Casiglio
- For 1<sup>st</sup> VP: Honorable Companion Kurt Joye
- For 2<sup>nd</sup> VP: Nominations From the Floor.
- For Treasurer: Honorable Companion Bob Cagley
- For Secretary: Excellent Companion Hobie Henderson



**On Tuesday, Feb 15, 2022 at 7 pm ---** Special Program: A presentation on the **TMRC**  
Thrice Illustrious Master **Michael D. Grafton** and Recorder **Jeremy R. Johnson**, invites all companions to attend.  
1030 12th St.  
Huntsville, TX 77340

# ***Francis Edwin "Skip" Smith, Jr.*** ***Most Excellent Grand High Priest***



F.E. "Skip" Smith, Jr. was born in 1960 in Dallas, Texas. Skip attended Southern Methodist University BA, BS, Honors; The University of Dallas, MBA, Contract Management; SMU School of Law, Juris Doctor. Skip is licensed by the Bars of Texas, Colorado and the District of Columbia.

Raised in Hillcrest Lodge No. 1318 on June 15, 1993, serving as Worshipful Master 1998-1999 and receiving the Golden Trowel Award in 2006. Plural member with Oak Cliff Lodge No. 705, serving as Worshipful Master 2002-2003. Plural member in Northern Star and Charter Secretary 2007-2008. Served as District Deputy Grand Master for District 14-B in 2002. Skip served the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Texas as Right Worshipful Grand Orator in 2010 and on Committees of the Fraternal Relations 2004-2008, Civil Law 2010-2018, and Purposes and Policies (for 2 days) during the Grand Communication of R:W: Tommy F. Chapman, 2019.

Exalted as a Royal Arch Mason in Love Field Chapter No. 478 on September 24, 1994. He joined Oak Cliff Chapter No. 373 as a Plural Member in 1997, serving as High Priest in 2000 and awarded the Cornerstone Award in 2002. Oak Cliff merged with Midlothian Chapter No. 211 in 2007. Joined Hillsboro Chapter No. 152 as a Plural member in 2008. He is an Endowed Member of all three Chapters. Skip served the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas on the Jurisprudence Committee from 2003-2007 and 2013-2018, Chairman in 2013 and Co-Chairman in 2018. Purposes and Policies Committee 2008-2012, serving as Chairman in 2010 and again in 2012. District Deputy Grand High Priest in 2002 for Capitular District 15 and 2011 for Capitular District 17. He was Excellent Grand Master of the 1st Veil for 2007, Excellent Grand Orator for 2008, Excellent Grand Marshal in 2017. Skip was elected Right Excellent Grand Scribe in 2018, Right Excellent Grand King in 2019, Right Excellent Deputy Grand High Priest in February 2021 and was elected and installed as Most Excellent Grand High Priest on December 11, 2021 for the year 2022.

Greeted a Royal and Select Master in Love Field Council No. 396 on September 24, 1994. He joined Oak Cliff Council No. 310 as a Plural Member in 1997 serving as Thrice Illustrious Master in 2000. Oak Cliff merged with Midlothian Council No. 148. Skip also joined Hillsboro Council No. 94 as a Plural Member in 2008 and was awarded the Cryptic Triangle Award in 2017. He is Endowed in all three Councils. He served the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Texas on the By-Laws Committee 2004-2008 and 2013-2016, Co-Chairman in 2012, 2014 and 2015 and serving as Chairman in 2016. District Deputy Grand Master in 2014 for Cryptic District No. 16. He was Right Illustrious Grand Captain of the Guards 2010 and Right Illustrious Grand Chaplain 2017. He served on the Purposes and Policies Committee 2017-2021.

Knighthood in Tancred Commandery No. 82, K.T. October 27, 1994, was Commander in 1998 and was awarded the Excalibur Award in 2004. He joined Hillsboro Commandery, and was Commander. Skip has served the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Texas on the Purposes and Policies and Jurisprudence Committees.

Coroneted a 33 Degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Valley of Dallas, in September 2013. Served as Master of Kadosh. Founding member of the Knights of St. Andrew.

Other memberships include: The Royal Order of Scotland, Lyle Cross York Rite College No. 147, plural member of North Texas York Rite College No. 118, Governor in 2012. A Member of the Sovereign York Royal Cross of North America, serving on the Jurisprudence Committee. Holy Stone Allied Masonic Degree, Past Sovereign Master, Order of the Scarlet Cord 4th Degree, Red Branch of Eri 4th Degree, Knight Masons; Rose of Sharon Council No. 49, Past Excellent Chief for 2010; Grand Superintendent for Central Texas; Red Cross of Constantine, DeMolay Conclave; North Texas Priory No. 73, KYCH, Past Prior in 2015; Masonic Order of Athelstan, Joined the Operatives August 2010; St. Thomas of Acon, Tejas No. 6, plural in Texas No. 9, Past Worthy Master.

**GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS and LOCAL DDGHPs**

<b>Office</b>	<b>Companion</b>
Most Excellent Grand High Priest	Frances Edwin "Skip" Smith, Jr.
Right Excellent Deputy Grand High Priest	Robert M. Loflin
Right Excellent Grand King	James D. Manley
Right Excellent Grand Scribe	Don Paul Payton
Right Excellent Grand Treasurer	John A. Hughes
Right Excellent Grand Secretary	Kenneth Earl Cooley
Excellent Grand Chaplain	Charles E. Maddox
Excellent Grand Orator	David I. Bindel
Excellent Grand Marshal	Jackie W. Matthews
Excellent Grand Captain of the Host	Jack M. Harper II
Excellent Grand Principal Sojourner	Aaron W. Tyksinski
Excellent Grand Royal Arch Captain	E. Dixon toney
Excellent Grand Master of the Third Veil	Jon S. Spann
Excellent Grand Master of the Second Veil	Noel H. Coward, Jr
Excellent Grand Master of the First Veil	Roberto M. Sanchez
Excellent Grand Senior Steward	Buford J. Young
Excellent Grand Junior Steward	Cortney M. Harvey
Excellent Grand Organist	John J. Wilson
Excellent Grand Photographer	Hobie D. Henderson
Excellent Grand Guard	Justin W. Schulz
Right Excellent DDGHP – 11	Patrick S. Smith – Hillsboro 152
Right Excellent DDGHP – 19	S. Kenneth Griffith – Texas 362
Right Excellent DDGHP – 20	Dr. Zachary Charles Haston – Arlington 376

# **Robert C. “Bob” Brunk**

## **Most Illustrious Grand Master**



Most Illustrious Grand Master Robert C. Brunk was born in Henderson, Texas in 1969 and is a Third Generation Texas York Rite Mason. Masonry is in his Family lineage. He is the youngest son of Barry Dean Brunk, Sr., a prominent Texas York Rite Mason who was born in Millwall, East London England in 1945.

Barry has served masonry in Texas through a multitude of honorable positions in York Rite and Appendant Bodies. Barry is a proud 50-year Member of the Grand Lodge of Texas. Barry was made a Master Mason in 1967 at Clinton Lodge #23 and served as Worshipful Master or other offices in the following Lodges: Stanfield # 217 (1972), Ennis #369 (1976 and 1978), Chambers Creek #499 (1994, 1995 and 2005), Bardwell #1054 (2014 and 2018), Ferris #460 (2019). Barry also served as DDGM for PGM Tom Land (1981) and PGM Fred Allen (1991), DEO (1990), DCO (1992). He is also a member of Ocean #230 and Phoenix #275. Barry is also a very active Companion and has served as PHP of Ennis Chapter #135 and PTIM of Ennis Council #81. He currently serves the Grand Chapter and Grand Council as a member of the Committee on Work (2018-2022) and has served as Grand Marshal of the Grand Chapter for Tom Snyder (2012). He received the Purple Service award in 2014 and the Golden Keystone Award in 2018. He is a Past Commander of Tancred Commandery #82. Barry is retired from Ennis Business Forms after 37 years of service as a CPA where he resided in Ennis, Texas from 1973 through 2020. He now resides with our Most Illustrious Grand Master and his wife in Hudson Oaks, Texas. Barry enjoys traveling with his son to many Masonic Meetings and is also a member of several appendant Masonic organizations (AMD, St. Thomas of Acon, SEM, Red Cross of Constantine, KYCH, Knights Preceptor, Order of High Priesthood, Order of the Silver Trowel, Shriners, KCCH with Scottish Rite, etc.)

The Grand Master's mother Jajuana Joy Hudson (Deceased) was a Retired Nurse whose Great Grandfather was also a mason (James Allen Hudson) who relocated to East Texas from Upson County Georgia after the Civil War. It was said he had a limp from an injury during the war and carried a very unusual cane for walking.

Masonry is aligned with Family for our Most Illustrious Grand Master. His paternal grandfather was also a York Rite Mason who served as Worshipful Master in 1955 at Tyre #798 and a member of Clinton #23. He also was a Shriner, a Scottish Rite, Capitular and Cryptic Mason. Our Grand Master has several family members who have served in multiple Masonic offices and stations throughout Texas, Tennessee, and Oklahoma. The Most Illustrious Grand Master is married to Sonia H. Brunk (Member of Waco Beauceant) for 23 wonderful and loving years. They have 2 children and 2 grandchildren. Family is an important aspect of everyday life for our Grand Master and without Family, his life is not fulfilled. Family is intertwined with Masonry and is generational. His family enjoys seeing the regalia of our organizations and have expressed a desire to be part of our festivities and fellowship.

Our Most Illustrious Grand Master lived in Dallas and Denton from 1969-1973 and in Ennis, Texas from 1973 through 1988, graduating in 1987 from Ennis High School. He studied Music at Navarro College and then Sam Houston State University. He is a member of the Sigma Chi social fraternity at Sam Houston State. Our Most Illustrious Grand Master has worked in the Hospitality Industry for the last 34 years in various positions of Management and Consultation. He is currently employed with Choice Hotels International as Area Director Franchise Services.

Our Most Illustrious Grand Master has served in many capacities of Masonry. He has been embodied around Masonry for most of his life and was encouraged by those around him who were Masons.

His affiliations with the Grand Lodge A.F.&A.M. of Texas:

- Raised as a Master Mason in 2010 at Ennis #369
- Plural Membership with Lake Worth #1410
- Worshipful Master - Lake Worth in 2015
- DDGM #64-D for Tommy Chapman in 2018
- Member of the Special Assignments Committee in 2017
- Charter Member of Sweet Home #576
- Member of Phoenix #275
- Charter Member of Ocean #230

His affiliations with the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas:

- Exalted to a Royal Arch Mason in 2010
- MEHP for Ennis Chapter #135 in 2015/2016
- Grand Master of the 2nd Veil in 2017
- Grand Master of the 1st Veil in 2018
- Plural Member with Goodnight-Loving Chapter #75 in 2018
- DDGHP Dist. #15 in 2019 for Joe Schriever
- Membership Committee from 2016-2019
- Finance Committee from 2018-2020

His affiliations with the Grand Council R.&S.M. of Texas:

- Greeted as a Royal and Select Master in 2010
- Super Excellent Master in 2010
- TIM for Ennis Council #81 in 2016/2017
- DDGM Dist. #15 for Reese Harrison, Jr. in 2018
- Plural Member with Goodnight-Loving #47 in 2018
- Grand Representative of the Grand Council of Oklahoma in 2020
- Charter Member of Robert Morriss Elgin Council #415 in 2021

His affiliations with the Grand Commandery K.T. of Texas:

- Knighted in Dallas for Tancred #82 in 2010
- Eminent Commander Tancred #82 in 2017
- Affiliated with Weatherford #51 (2018 and serves as Senior Warden 2022) and Dallas #6 (2017 - demitted 2020)
- Appointed Grand Representative of the Grand Commandery of New York in 2018
- Committees: Planning for Next Conclave, 2017-2020, Long-Range Planning (Chairman 2017 and 2018) and member of the Audit Committee 2019-2020, Grand Officers Reports 2022

Other Masonic Affiliations:

- Trinity York Rite College #154 in 2014 - Treasurer 2021/2022
- Knights Preceptor - 2017
- Robert Bruce Brannon AMD #275 (Past Sovereign Master 2020)
- Worth Shamrock Knight Masons - 2018
- Texas Priory #23, K.Y.C.H. - 2018
- Scottish Rite Dallas Valley 2010 - Ellis County 30th Degree Team 2010-2012
- St. Timothy Conclave Red Cross of Constantine - 2019
- Order of High Priesthood - 2016
- Order of the Silver Trowel - 2016
- Shriners International - Moslah 2020 (Car-Vettes Unit - Sec / Treasurer 2022)
- St. Thomas of Acon - St. Timothy Chapel Charter Member - 2018
- Tarrant County York Rite Association
- Texas York Rite Association
- The Worshipful Society of Free Masons (Operatives) - 2020

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Office	Companion
Most Illustrious Grand Master	Robert C. "Bob" Brunk
Right Illustrious Deputy Grand Master	W. David Melear
Right Illustrious Grand Principal Conductor of the Work	Aaron W. Tyksinski
Right Illustrious Grand Treasurer	John A. Hughes
Right Illustrious Grand Recorder	Kenneth Earl Cooley
Illustrious Grand Captain of the Guards	Billy Jack Hamilton, Jr
Illustrious Grand Conductor of the Council	Larry Joe Jones, Jr.
Illustrious Grand Chaplain	Jack M. Harper, II
Illustrious Grand Marshal	Raul J. Scully
Illustrious Grand Steward	Gene H. "Bud" Forester
Illustrious Grand Organist	Michael Cote
Illustrious Grand Photographer	Keith L. Arteburn
Illustrious Grand Sentinel	Joe V. Pool
Right Illustrious DDGM – 11	Randall R. Rodgers – Gonzales 6
Right Illustrious DDGM – 19	Brett C. Casiglio – Texas 321
Right Illustrious DDGM – 20	Corey Michael Harris – Arlington 314



# Grand Chapter/Council Awards



Congratulations to this year's Golden Keystone Award winners **Randy Clifton** and **Buford J. Young**, and Royal Purple Service Award winners **Brian Cook** and **Dale Smith**!

These awards are the highest honors given by the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas, and Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Texas respectively, and are awarded for outstanding service to the Craft. Well done and well deserved, Companions!

Neal Addy, President TCYRA

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Top 3 finishers of the Highly Competitive 2021 Ritualistic Competition in the Select Master's Degree were announced at the Grand Chapter/Council Banquet.

Arlington Council #314 won the 2021 Ritualistic Competition

Temple Council #137 was a very close second place (but unquestionably, were the best dressed team)

The great Composite Team finished a very close third place.

Ennis and Texas had dominated the competition in recent years, along with Southside one year won the top prize money. I do anticipate that Ennis, Texas, Southside, TMRC Pecan Grove, Goodnight-Loving and of course Temple will give a serious challenge to Arlington's Defending Championship in the 2022 Chapter ritual competition. Let's see if we can break a record and get 10 teams competing in 2022.

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

<b>Date</b>	<b>Host</b>	<b>Location</b>
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

## 2022 York Rite Conference with Cryptic Degree Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Conference Physical Address</u>	<u>Mailing Address for SEM Registration</u>	<u>SEM Contact</u>	<u>Conference Contact</u>
1/15/22	9:00AM Reg. 10:00AM Conf.	NEDERLAND 1204 N. 27 <sup>th</sup> St. Nederland, TX 77627	Attn: Casey Maxwell P.O. Box 178 Nederland TX 77267	Casey Maxwell Port Neches Council #413 409-540-6069 <a href="mailto:Cimaxwell7@aol.com">Cimaxwell7@aol.com</a>	Chance Chapman <a href="mailto:tcchapman@ymail.com">tcchapman@ymail.com</a> 409-201-5340
2/5/22	9:00AM Reg. 10:00AM Conf.	ABILENE 1265 N. 2 <sup>nd</sup> St. Abilene 79601	Attn: Jerry Pingle P.O. Box 427 Stamford TX. 79553-0427	Jerry Pingle Big Country Council #192 325-338-3015 <a href="mailto:Pingj7033@gmail.com">Pingj7033@gmail.com</a>	Jerry Pingle 325-338-3015 <a href="mailto:Pingj7033@gmail.com">Pingj7033@gmail.com</a>
2/19/22	9:00AM Reg. 10:00AM Conf.	MCKINNEY 1811 Ridge Rd. McKinney, TX 75071	Attn: Brian Cook 805 Fleming Trail Richardson TX 75081-5229	Brian Cook Haggai Council #38 214-264-7879 <a href="mailto:Rbriancook74@gmail.com">Rbriancook74@gmail.com</a>	Brian Cook 214-264-7879 <a href="mailto:Rbriancook74@gmail.com">Rbriancook74@gmail.com</a>
3/12/22	9:00AM Reg. 10:00AM Conf.	HOUSTON 2401 W. Bellfort Ave. Houston, TX 77054	Attn: Arthur Souza P.O. Box 263430 Houston TX. 77207-3430	Arthur Souza Park Place Council #373 713-582-9453, <a href="mailto:ppvyorkrite.recorder@gmail.com">ppvyorkrite.recorder@gmail.com</a>	Dean Bryant 832-867-0223 <a href="mailto:Masonicdistrict31a@gmail.com">Masonicdistrict31a@gmail.com</a>
3/26/22	9:00AM Reg. 10:00AM Conf.	BORGER 210 W. Grand St. Borger, TX 79007	Attn: Terry Flippo 645 Evergreen Borger TX 79007	Terry Flippo Borger Council #354 806-584-0695 <a href="mailto:borgermasons@gmail.com">borgermasons@gmail.com</a>	Terry Flippo 806-584-0695 <a href="mailto:borgermasons@gmail.com">borgermasons@gmail.com</a>
4/2/22	9:00AM Reg. 10:00AM Conf.	ARLINGTON 1415 W. Abram St. Arlington, TX 76013	Attn: Corey Harris 2308 Crown Colony Dr Arlington TX 76011	Corey Harris Arlington Council #314 817-903-7071 <a href="mailto:Corey.harris87@gmail.com">Corey.harris87@gmail.com</a>	Corey Harris 817-903-7071 <a href="mailto:Corey.harris87@gmail.com">Corey.harris87@gmail.com</a>
4/30/22	9:00AM Reg. 10:00AM Conf.	TYLER 323 W. Front St. Tyler, TX 75702	Attn: Joel Graeter 323 W. Front St Tyler TX 75702	Joel Graeter George M. Patrick Council #13 903-530-4610 <a href="mailto:yorkritetyler@gmail.com">yorkritetyler@gmail.com</a>	Joel Graeter 903-530-4610 <a href="mailto:yorkritetyler@gmail.com">yorkritetyler@gmail.com</a>
5/7/22	9:00AM Reg. 10:00AM Conf.	EL PASO 301 W. Missouri Ave. El Paso, TX 79901	Attn: Ishmael Gutierrez 1505 Magruder St El Paso TX 79925	Ishmael Gutierrez El Paso Council #98 915-255-8311 <a href="mailto:ismaelgutierrezn@gmail.com">ismaelgutierrezn@gmail.com</a>	Alfredo Gonzalez 915-479-6035 <a href="mailto:Abgonzalez72@yahoo.com">Abgonzalez72@yahoo.com</a>
5/21/22	9:00AM Reg. 10:00AM Conf.	SAN ANTONIO 901 N. Loop 1604 W San Antonio, TX 78232	Attn: E.E. Buster Williams 901 N Loop 1604 W San Antonio, TX 78232	E. E. Buster Williams San Antonio Council #14 210-707-0160 <a href="mailto:Busterw33opc@gmail.com">Busterw33opc@gmail.com</a>	E.E. Buster Williams 210-707-0160 <a href="mailto:Busterw33opc@gmail.com">Busterw33opc@gmail.com</a>
8/6/22	9:00AM Reg. 10:00AM Conf.	WACO 715 Columbus Ave. Waco, TX 76701	Attn: Jon Spann 2115 Washington Ave Waco TX 76701	Jon Spann Waco Council #33 254-644-6336 <a href="mailto:Jon_Spann2003@yahoo.com">Jon_Spann2003@yahoo.com</a>	Jon Spann 254-644-6336 <a href="mailto:Jon_Spann2003@yahoo.com">Jon_Spann2003@yahoo.com</a>

# **Grand Chaplain Holiday Message**

## **Charles Edward Maddox, E.: Grand Chaplain**

As Royal Arch Masons, we are the symbolic heirs to the legacy of Isaac and Ishmael. While our religious branches may have diverged, our spiritual family tree remains intact. This holiday season let us contemplate and meditate on those virtues that unite us no matter our faith: peace, charity, and family.

On peace, that we may forgive our transgressors, and as part of that forgiveness, loving them, rather than seeking retribution and hating them.

On charity, that we may help our neighbors, even those we do not know and always ignore, not out of greed, but out of love. Remembering that universal maxim to always do unto others.

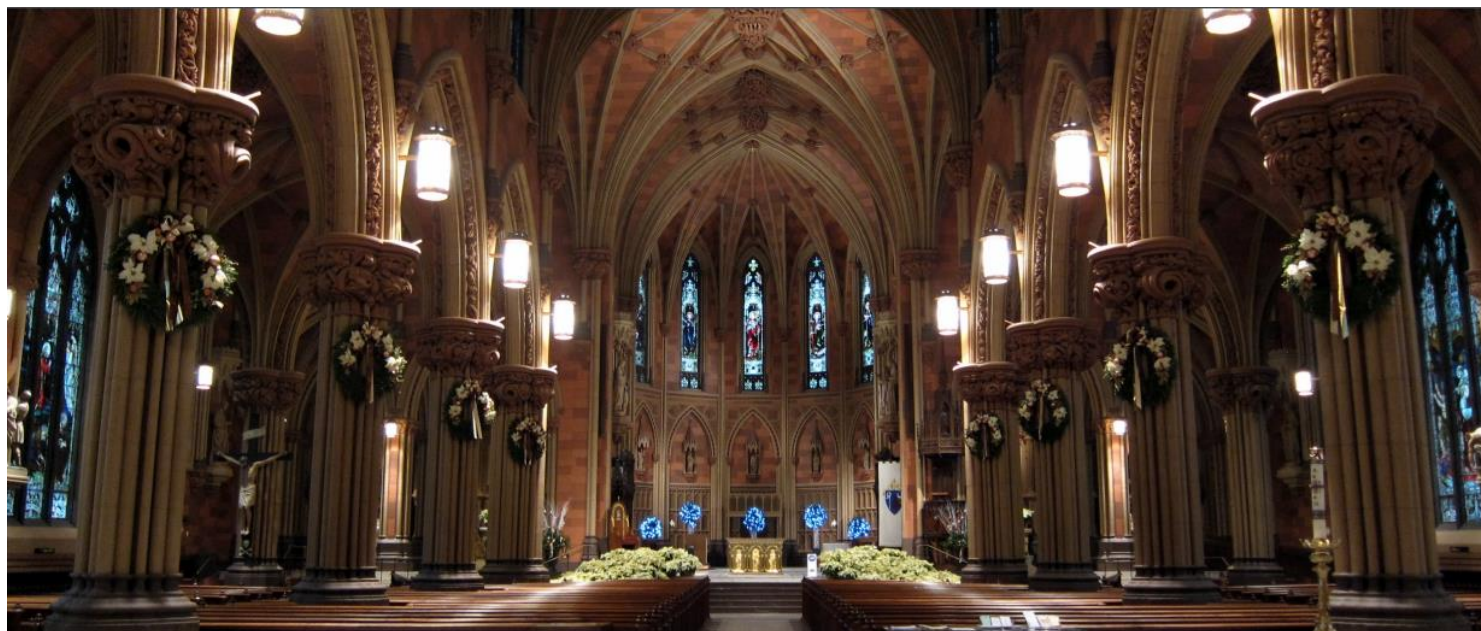
On family, whether blood, fraternal, or spiritual, that we will protect, teach, and love each other; to know that despite our deficiencies and failings, our family is always there.

During this holiday season, may we renew and rededicate ourselves to improvement and love. And even when we come up short, to begin again.

After all, even the Temple needed to be rebuilt.



# Worth Commandery Christmas



## ● PRELATE'S MESSAGE ●

Christmas is upon us once again. It is a time of great joy and celebration, a time for enjoying the company of family and friends, a time for rest and relaxation. It's also a time for reflection; a time for renewal and recommitment; a time to remember the greater purpose for which we were placed upon this earth and granted the gift of salvation through the birth, life, and sacrifice of our Lord and Savior. On that night over 2,000 years ago our Lord humbled Himself to be born of a woman. He suffered himself to endure the pains and sorrows incident to human life. His road was not an easy one. All manner of trials and tribulations were placed in His path, from the moment of His birth in a humble stable, until His cruel and ignominious death on the cross. Pain and suffering were very much known to Him during His brief years among us. Such is the human experience. Yet our Lord understood that all things upon this earth, both happy and sad, happen at the will of our Father in heaven. He knew that our Father's greater purpose is often hidden from us but we can always rest assured that all earthly events happen according to His plan.

Throughout His life our Lord endured and triumphed because His eyes were continually on His Father in heaven. As one with the Father, He bore full well an understanding of His Father's greater plan. He knew that all things upon this earth, both good and bad, are placed before us to prepare us to stand before that glorious throne and hear those joyous words, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant". Friends, this is our purpose on this earth and we must never forget it. Regardless of what the world puts in our path we must always remember that our greater purpose is to prepare that inner temple for God's eternal praise, and to aid our fellow man to do so by living a life that allows His light to shine through us.

Merry Christmas to all. May the Lord bless and keep you. Always keep your eyes on our Father in heaven and remember that everything happens for His greater purpose.

# MASONIC WEEK 2022

FEBRUARY 9TH – 13TH

HYATT REGENCY CRYSTAL CITY  
ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH, 2022

7:00 p.m. -  
10:00 p.m.



**Masonic Order of Pilgrim Preceptors**

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH, 2022

8:00 a.m. -  
10:00 a.m.



**Trinity Chapel No. 2**  
Ye Commemorative Order of St. Thomas of Acon

10:00 a.m.  
-  
12:00 p.m.



**Grand Master's Council**  
Ye Commemorative Order of St. Thomas of Acon  
Annual Meeting

12:00 p.m.  
-  
1:00 p.m.



**St. Thomas of Acon Festive Board**  
Open to St. Thomas of Acon members and their ladies.

1:30 p.m. -  
3:00 p.m.



**Sovereign Order of Knights Preceptor**  
Annual Convention

3:15 p.m. -  
4:15 p.m.



**Potomac Court No. 107**  
Masonic Order of Athelstan

4:30 p.m. -  
6:30 p.m.



**Provincial Grand Court**  
Masonic Order of Athelstan  
Annual Meeting

7:00 p.m. -  
8:45 p.m.



**Athelstan Banquet**  
Open to all attendees and their ladies.

8:30 p.m. -  
10:30 p.m.






**Masonic Order of the Bath**  
100th Annual Assembly and degree conferral.

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH, 2022

7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.		<b>Y.R.S.C.N.A. Breakfast</b> Open to all attendees and their ladies.
8:00 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.		<b>Allied Masonic Degrees Installed Sovereign Master</b> Degree conferral.
8:45 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.		<b>Royal Order of the Red Branch of Eri Knight Commander</b> Degree conferral.
9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.		<b>Ladies Breakfast</b> Open to all ladies at no charge.
9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.		<b>Grand Council of Knight Masons of the U.S.A.</b> 56th Annual Meeting
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.		<b>Knight Masons Luncheon</b> Open to all attendees.
1:15 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.		<b>Society of Blue Friars</b> 78th Annual Consistory Presentation by Adam G. Kendall Open to all attendees.
2:45 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.		<b>Council of the Nine Muses No. 13, A.M.D.</b> Annual Meeting Presentation by Thomas W. Jackson Open to all A.M.D. members.
4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.		<b>Ark &amp; Dove</b> Degree conferral Open to all A.M.D. members.
5:15 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.		<b>Royal Ark Mariner Worshipful Commander Noah</b> Degree conferral.
5:45 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.		<b>Order of the Secret Monitor Installed Supreme Ruler</b> Degree conferral.
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.		<b>The Masonic Society Dinner</b> <i>"Masonic Myth of Our Nation's Capital"</i> presented by Chris B. Rull Open to all attendees and their ladies.
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.		<b>C.B.C.S. Reception and Dinner</b> Open to C.B.C.S. members only.
9:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.		<b>Ye Antiente Order of Corks</b> 96th Annual Cellar and degree conferral.

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH, 2022

7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.		<b>All Masonic Breakfast</b> Open to all attendees and their ladies.
8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.		<b>Royal Order of the Masonic Knights of the Scarlet Cord</b> Fifth Grade conferral.
9:15 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.		<b>Grand College of Rites of the U.S.A.</b> 91st Annual Convocation Open to all attendees.
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.		<b>Royal Order of the Masonic Knights of the Scarlet Cord</b> Fourth Grade conferral.
11:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.		<b>Philaethes Society</b> 94th Annual Meeting
12:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.		<b>Philaethes Society Luncheon</b> <i>"The Lost Empire: Black Freemasonry in the Old West"</i> presented by James R. Morgan, III Open to all attendees and their ladies.
2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.		<b>Grand Council of the Allied Masonic Degrees of the U.S.A.</b> 130th Annual Convocation
2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.		<b>Ladies Afternoon Tea</b> Open to all ladies at no charge.
6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.		<b>All Masonic Social Hour</b> Open to all attendees and their ladies.
7:00 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.		<b>All Masonic Banquet</b> Open to all attendees and their ladies.

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH, 2022

8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.		<b>Washington Monument Assemblage</b> Worshipful Society of Free Masons, Rough Masons, Wallers, Slaters, Paviers, Plaisterers and Bricklayers ( <b>The Operatives</b> )
9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.		<b>Lodge of Menatzchim V°</b> Worshipful Society of Free Masons, Rough Masons, Wallers, Slaters, Paviers, Plaisterers and Bricklayers ( <b>The Operatives</b> )
10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.		<b>Lodge of Harodim VI°</b> Worshipful Society of Free Masons, Rough Masons, Wallers, Slaters, Paviers, Plaisterers and Bricklayers ( <b>The Operatives</b> )
12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.		<b>The Operatives Brunch</b> Open to all attendees and their ladies.



# TMRC – Texas Masonic Retirement Community News

## TMRC Board of Directors and support staff from our 2021 Grand Convocation

Office	Companion
President	Honorable Companion <b>Floyd Edward Hall</b> (2022)
Vice President	Very Excellent <b>James Roy Elliott</b> (2024)
Secretary	Honorable Companion <b>Richard W. Gaiser</b> (2023)
Director	Very Illustrious <b>James Dale Kirkpatrick</b> (2025)
Director	Right Excellent Right Illustrious <b>L.O. Neal Addy, Jr</b> (2026)
Treasurer	Right Excellent Right Illustrious <b>Kenneth Earl Cooley</b>
Attorney	Honorable Companion <b>Guy W. Hull II</b> , Attorney
Oil and Gas Attorney	Honorable <b>Rhodes Hamilton</b> , Attorney Oil and Gas
Superintendent	Honorable Companion <b>Gary Byron Blair</b>

We thank Very Excellent, Very Illustrious **Steve Wolfe** for outstanding service during the past 5-year term.

Very special thanks to Robert Darrell (right) on behalf of Lone Star Chapter No. 6 / Austin Council No. 2 in Austin, TX, for their recent book donation to Texas Masonic Retirement Center. Gary Blair (left) loaded up books to take back for residents' enjoyment!



Thank you!!! We are grateful for the recent donation, presented by Will Braswell (left), High Priest and Thrice Illustrious Master, and on behalf of all members of CO Jones #141 & #86, to the No Mason Left Behind Project. Gary Blair, Superintendent of Texas Masonic Retirement Center was honored to accept the gift. Learn more about this vital program to help older Texas Masons and their loved ones at <https://yourtmrc.org/donate/>



Texas Masonic Retirement Community   
*Your life. Even better.*

Texas Masonic Retirement Community - new name, same legacy. Celebrating 144 years of commitment to older Texas Masons and their loved ones.

# Texas Masonic Retirement Community

Donate today to the No Mason Left Behind Project to help older Masons and their loved ones--like Larry and Carol. Learn more and give generously at <https://yourtmrc.org/donate/>

## No Mason Left Behind Project 2022



Don't mess with breakfast. These residents are ready and waiting to pick up their to-go orders for in-apartment dining. Until COVID-19 rates decline, we're staying safe and keeping community dining closed. Read more about our precautions and safety restrictions at <https://yourtmrc.org/our.../safety-precautions-covid-19/>

Delighted to welcome the Arlington Police Dept for a round of bingo during the recent "National Night Out" activities to promote police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie. Thank you! Special thanks to Don Cox for photo!



Cooler weather is here! Great time to check out new luxury apartments at Texas Masonic Retirement Center! Watch our video tour and schedule a time to stop by for a personal tour--just call 817-275-2893. All info on rates, unit availability, and more at <https://yourtmrc.org/our.../apartments-duplexes/high-rise/>

## Flowing Water Fountain Garden Walkways



# 2021

Donations Received September 1, 2020, through August 31, 2021

## Honor Roll Individual Masons and Masonic Lodges

Your donation helps older Masons, their wives, widows, mothers,  
never-married sisters & never-married daughters live with dignity in safe,  
comfortable surroundings at Texas Masonic Retirement Center - ALWAYS.

### Regency Contributors 2021

**\$5,000 or More**

Donations Received September 1, 2020, through August 31, 2021

Herbert Coleman

Lloyd Lesikar

D.L. Poe

Gene Brookshire Family Ltd Partnership  
Grady & Doris Evans Endowment Foundation  
Grand Council Royal & Select Masters of TX

### Legacy Contributors 2021

**\$1,000 - \$4,999**

Donations Received September 1, 2020, through August 31, 2021

Thurman Allred  
Gene Blackmore  
Gary Blair  
Raymond Briles  
Everett Combs  
Gene Forester

Richard Gaiser  
Dr. Richard & Rozelle Gilman  
Gaylord Groce  
Bennie Hudson  
Peggy James  
James and Donna Kirkpatrick

Dr. Steven Kushel  
Richard Lee  
Ernest Lisle  
Maggie Matyastik  
Paul S. Hollis Trust  
Ralph & Vera Reasor

Kirby Rudisill  
Kleber Siqueira  
Raymond Tomlinson

### Masonic Organizations

Cypress Lodge #1423  
Dallas Chapter #47  
Dallas Lodge #760  
Gregory Lodge #998

Hill City Lodge #456  
Lyle L Cross York Rite College No 147  
Midlothian Chapter #211 RAM  
Midlothian Council #148

Rose of Sharon Council #49  
Trinity York Rite College #154  
Veritas Council #59

### Tribute Contributors 2021

**\$500 - \$999**

Donations Received September 1, 2020, through August 31, 2021

Rudolph Aue  
Keith Bates  
Denny Clark  
Gerry Clark  
Nancy Conley  
Tom Dearing  
Bobby Fincher  
Fred Forsthoff

Scott Hayes  
Dwight Hollon  
Ronald Hyde  
Jeffrey Johansen  
Robert Johnson  
Karan Kinton  
Paul Kopyar  
Ferrell Lake

Richard Lenoir  
Joe Lovelady  
George Loving  
Gary Morgan  
Harold Myers III  
Kenneth Pevehouse  
Alan Rowe  
Paul Schroeder

Charles Seward  
Phyllis and Jim Stouffer  
Thomas Veitch  
David Vest  
Billy Warren  
Michael Warren  
Michael Wiggins

### Masonic Organizations

Arlington Assembly #189, S00B  
Columbia Chapter #34 RAM  
Dallas Council #18  
Goodnight Loving Chapel #62

H.A. McFarland Lodge #1338  
High Noon Club of Dallas  
Julian Feild Lodge #908  
Sherman Chapter #62 RAM

Stephenville Chapter #140/Council #85  
Texas Chapter #362, RAM  
TMRC Daylight Chapter #1145



## Enjoy Life At Texas Masonic Retirement Community

With the health and safety of residents and staff as our top priority, most activities have been put on hold until COVID-19 vaccinations have been offered to all. As soon as our residents are protected, we will resume activities.

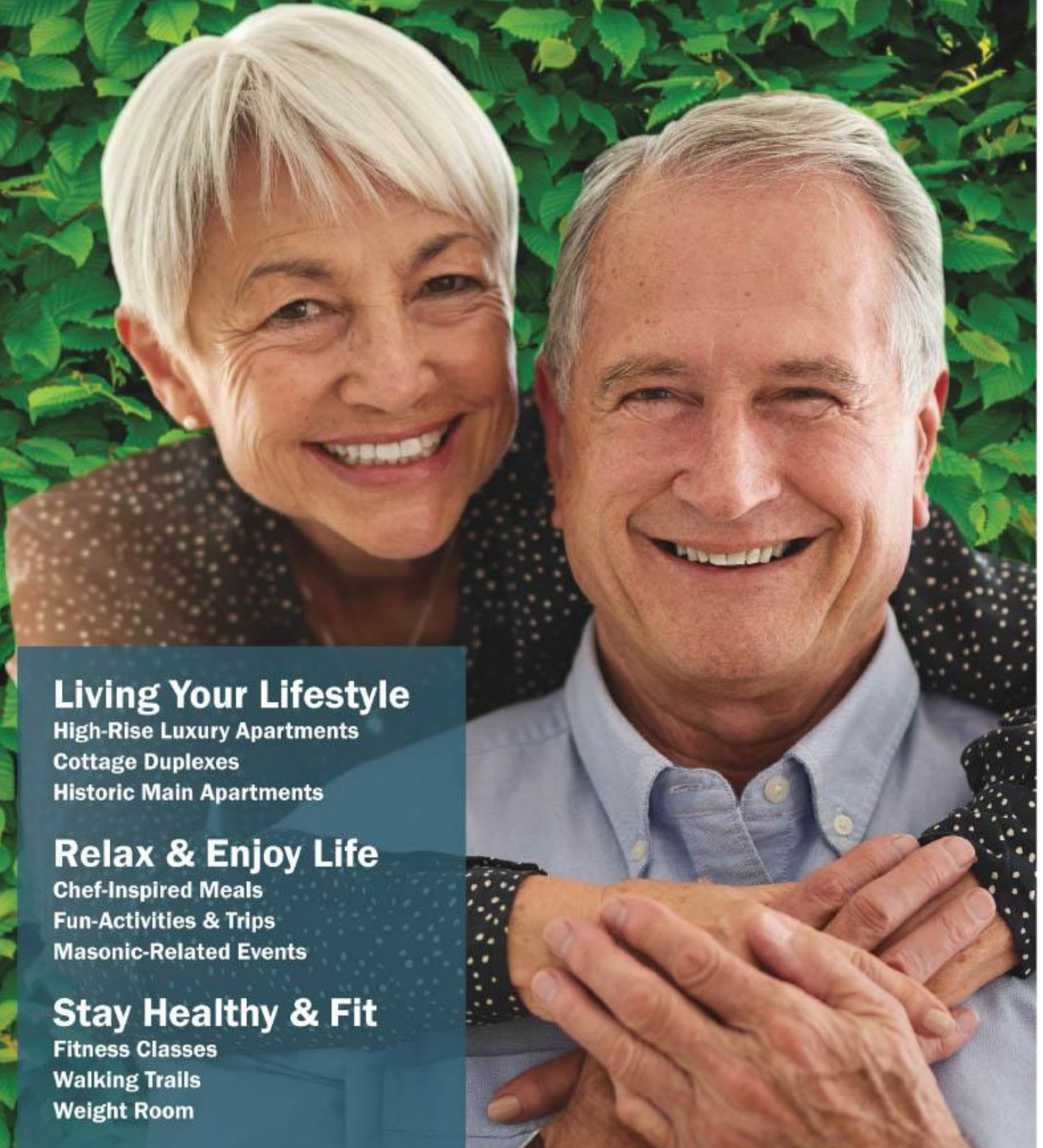
In the mean time, check out the many activities we look forward to enjoying again, soon.

Does an evening of live theater sound like a wonderful escape? Maybe you would rather take in a Texas Rangers baseball game? Or, what about a trip to the Botanical Gardens in Fort Worth? We'll make it all happen—you just show up.

At Texas Masonic Retirement Community, you'll enjoy the services of a professional staff as they arrange all the details of a wide variety of activities, as well as, help with meeting every day needs. Our summary of services (see below) explains the array of benefits you'll enjoy as a resident of TMRC. Feel free to contact us at **817-275-2893** or at [info@YourTMRC.org](mailto:info@YourTMRC.org) with questions. You may also benefit from our [frequently asked questions section](#) or reading over our [brochure](#).

**Brochure is on pages 21-24**

# Texas Masonic Retirement Center



## **Living Your Lifestyle**

High-Rise Luxury Apartments  
Cottage Duplexes  
Historic Main Apartments

## **Relax & Enjoy Life**

Chef-Inspired Meals  
Fun-Activities & Trips  
Masonic-Related Events

## **Stay Healthy & Fit**

Fitness Classes  
Walking Trails  
Weight Room

# Steadfast friends. Good times. Calm surroundings.



The Keystone, new luxury high-rise apartments, now available.

## Luxury High-Rise Living

The Keystone and Royal Arch offer luxury high-rise apartment living with easy access to the many conveniences and amenities at Texas Masonic Retirement Center. You'll enjoy spacious interiors, a well-equipped kitchen, stylish finishes, and abundant storage. Apartments are available in a variety of floor plans including efficiency, one-bedroom, and two-bedroom units.

## Cozy Historic Main Building

The Historic Main Building of Texas Masonic Retirement Center offers cozy, cheerful one-bedroom and efficiency apartments. The convenient location means you're just a few steps away from the dining area and spacious community gathering area. Plus, your apartment near an enclosed front porch overlooking lovely fields of wildflowers, rows of crepe myrtles, and our 100-year-old pecan orchard.

## Sophisticated Cottage Duplexes

Just like living in a traditional home, our charming cottage duplexes offer the personal space found in a private residence along with the many amenities of Texas Masonic Retirement Center. Located in a quiet area near a wildflower meadow and live oaks, our two-bedroom, two-bath units feature plush carpeting, ceramic tile, hardwood cabinets, soaring ceilings with crown molding, all major appliances including full-size washer and dryer, walk-in closets, lots of storage, a one-car garage, and a large covered patio.

## Nursing Care Area

At Texas Masonic Retirement Center, we offer 24 hours a day, 7 days a week nursing care in a special area staffed by friendly, well-trained personnel. This area is now open to existing residents and any qualified Mason or family member. Previously, only existing residents could move to this level of care. Residents enjoy activities, games, and trips planned to accommodate special needs. Friends gather for meals with help on an as-needed basis.

## Services Enjoyed By All Residents

At Texas Masonic Retirement Center, all activities and services are offered to every resident, regardless of your choice of living arrangements. All enjoy three delicious chef-inspired meals served daily in our entirely renovated central Dining Pavilion. You'll also find it easy to relax in one of several comfortable seating areas while watching your favorite programs with friends or gathering for a movie around our big screen television. There's always a game of dominoes to join or a puzzle to put together with others. Or, start your own craft or game.

Three delicious meals served daily  
Weekly housekeeping services  
Entertainment onsite and offsite  
Masonic-related events

Two chapels  
Beauty shop  
Media Room/Library  
TMRC Museum

Putting green  
Flowing water garden  
Transportation to local medical  
and dental appointments

## Enjoy

Baseball games, movies, musicals, shopping, museums, local Masonic events & more!

## Laugh

with friends during games, classes, parties & more

## Relax

Breakfast, lunch, dinner, served in sunny dining area

## Feel Safe

in your private space with your personal belongings

## Payment Options

to fit any budget

## Eligibility

Apartments, Duplexes, Nursing Care Area

You qualify if you are a

Texas Master Mason\* or member of Order of the Eastern Star – TX

OR

Relative of a Texas Master Mason\*

- Wife
- Widow\*\*
- Mother
- Never-married daughter
- Never-married sister

\* In good standing with Lodge recognized by Grand Lodge of Texas AF&AM for 5 years prior to application

\*\* Widows must have been married to an eligible Mason for three years prior to death.

# Living Arrangements Payment Options for Your Lifestyle



We're delighted you're thinking about moving to Texas Masonic Retirement Center.

You'll find extensive information about eligibility, payment options, and more on our website, [YourTMRC.org](http://YourTMRC.org).

Feel free to contact us with questions or to schedule a tour.

✉ [Info@YourTMRC.org](mailto:Info@YourTMRC.org)

☎ 817-275-2893

🌐 [YourTMRC.org](http://YourTMRC.org)



"All I have to do is enjoy life. No mowing. No home repairs. No cleaning. And, I don't have to worry about the future."

"I enjoy my freedom and it's my choice to participate in activities or enjoy my quiet duplex."



"We have so much fun. And, we know help is just minutes away."



"I just go to sleep at night and feel so safe and have no fear."



"It's better than we could have imagined!"



**James Kirkpatrick**, Editor

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