

# Tarrant County York Rite



# The Keystone

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Tarrant County York Rite Association Newsletter**

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## Degrees and Events Schedule

**May 31 – Tarrant County York Rite Association Meeting at the FTW Temple – 6:45 pm**

**June 5 – Ascension Service at TMRC at 2 pm – Flyer on page 3**

**June 10 and 11 – Texas Allied Masonic Degrees Association Annual Meeting – Page 7**

**June 15 – TMRC Pecan Grove Chapter Most Excellent Master's Degree, 7:30 pm**

**June 18 – Grand Commandery District 6 School of Instruction at Ft Worth Temple – 8am to 2 pm – Page 6**

**June 22 – Arlington Chapter Most Excellent Master's Degree – Eat at 6 pm – Degree at 6:45 pm**

**June 25 – Sweet Home Lodge (TMRC) Installation w/ Grand Master **Brad Billings**, Eat 5:30pm – Page 14**

**June 27 – Stephenville Council Degrees – Eat at 6:00 pm, Degrees at 7:00 pm**

**July 20 – TMRC Pecan Grove Chapter Royal Arch Degree, 7 pm**

**October 7 – Pre - Family Day Fellowship and BBQ cooking at the Pecan Grove**

**October 8 – Family Day at the Pecan Grove at the Beautiful Texas Masonic Retirement Community**

**Chapter/Council **Installation** – please check with those chapters/councils for dates not listed in the calendar**

## UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS – June and July

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			June 1 Tarrant York Rite eat 6pm Weatherford Commandery eat 6:30 pm	June 2 Southside and Worth Commanderies	June 3	June 4 TMRC Pecan Grove 9 am Cleburne Stated 9 am
June 5 Ascension Service at TMRC 2:00 pm	June 6	June 7 Southside and Texas Chapter and Council	June 8 Goodnight-Loving 7 pm	June 9	June 10 Grand Prairie Chapter and Council 7 pm TAMDA in Waco	June 11 Texas Allied Masonic Degrees Association In Waco
June 12	June 13 York Rite Riverside 7 PM Arlington 6:45pm Meal 6 pm Hillsboro 7 pm	June 14	June 15 Ridglea Eat 6:30 Meet 7:30 TMRC Pecan Grove MEM Degree 7:30pm	June 16 Cleburne Commandery 7 pm	June 17	June 18 District 6 school of Instruction FTW Temple 8 am to 2 pm
June 19	June 20 Arlington and Stephenville Commanderies	June 21 7:30 pm Denton Commandery Dinner 6:30 pm	June 22	June 23	June 24 St John's Day	June 25 Sweet Home Lodge-TMRC Installation Brad Billings Eat 5:30 pm
June 26	June 27 Stephenville Council Degrees eat 6pm mtg 7pm	June 28 Texas Chapter/Council Installation of officers.	June 29	June 30	July 1 RC Buckner Installation	July 2 TMRC Pecan Grove 9 am Installation of officers.
July 3	July 4 	July 5 Southside and Texas Chapter and Council Probable Installation for Southside	July 6 Tarrant York Rite eat 6pm Installation Weatherford Commandery eat 6:30 pm	July 7 Southside and Worth Commanderies	July 8 Grand Prairie Chapter and Council 7 pm Installation	July 9 Ridglea Installation Eat noon 1pm Arlington 438 Installation Zach Haston Installing 3pm
July 10	July 11 York Rite Riverside 7 PM Arlington Installation Aaron T. Installs 6:45pm Meal 6pm Hillsboro 7 pm	July 12 Temple Chapter/Council Installation 6:30 pm	July 13 Goodnight-Loving 7 pm	July 14	July 15	July 16 Sweet Home Lodge Stated Meeting. 1:30 Corey Harris Speaker
July 17	July 18 Arlington and Stephenville Commanderies	July 19 7:30 pm Denton Commandery Dinner 6:30 pm	July 20 Ridglea Eat 6:30 Meet 7:30 TMRC Pecan Grove RAC Degree 7:30pm	July 21	July 22	July 23 Robert Elgin Council Installation in Houston
July 24	July 25 Stephenville Stated Meeting eat 6pm mtg 7pm	June 28	June 29	June 30	Aug 1	Aug 2 TMRC Pecan Grove 9 am



GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR of TEXAS



*Knight Templar State News  
June 2022*



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Greetings Sir Knights,

May was a great month and a very difficult month. By now everyone is aware of the tragic events that took place in Uvalde, TX. 19 children about age 10 and 2 adults lost their lives at the hands of another child aged 18. Words cannot express the hurt, frustration, anger, sadness and shock the world and our state feel from this horrific loss of innocent life. I have received words of condolence, prayers and offers of assistance from across this country from Knights and Grand Officers. Their desire to do something is innate in human nature and we are extremely grateful to them. While we cannot begin to understand this sort of thing, let us unite in our praise of God for His acceptance of these innocent ones into His Kingdom. For that is the only and the greatest hope for all Christians.

At times like these we often question God. Is this what He wanted? How can this be allowed to happen? These questions are normal during times of extreme grief, again, it is part of our nature as humans. Unfortunately, we simply have no answer other than to trust in God. That is what faith is, trusting in God even when all things seem to be falling apart, when it seems Satan is winning. He is

not. I do know for certain; God is saddened at these events. This is not how He wants our lives to be. He wants us to live our lives free of pain and suffering. We fall short of those plans. But we do not give up. We do not allow Satan to take over our thoughts and actions. We question, we pray, we ask why but we always adhere to our faith in God and His son Jesus Christ. God wins.

Alexander C. Garrett became the first Commandery to earn the Grand Commander's Ritual of Excellence award for the Order of Malta. These Knights did a fabulous job in conferring this Order on four candidates and I was pleased to award them this certificate. Congratulations Alexander C. Garrett, you continue the excellent tradition of your commandery in ritual performance.

Sir Knights, Michael Malone, and Scott Stanton (both of Alexander C Garrett) also became the first Instructors of the Asylum in the history of the Grand Commandery of Texas. These Sir Knights were examined by Eminent Grand Senior Warden, Sir Knight Gary Rock, in the opening and closing ceremony of an Asylum of Knights Templar. You two Sir Knights are to be commended for your dedication and hard work. Knights such as you inspire all of us to be better. Thank you for your high example.

The only remaining York Rite Conference will be held August 6, 2022, in Waco. Make plans to be there and be a part of this exciting time in Templar Masonry.

Have you seen the flyer for the Texas Holy Land Pilgrimage being planned by your Grand Generalissimo, Sir Knight Justin Bauer? Spots for that 2024 trip are filling up fast. Look at our website for Bulletin No. 2 to see the details and get your reservation in early. This may be a once in a lifetime opportunity to walk in the footsteps of Christ with your fellow Knights.

This month I want you to do something a professor of mine called "Point to the Passer." This professor worked with the University of North Carolina basketball team and coach Dean Smith. We all know when a player scores the crowd applauds, screams, yells etc. for the person scoring. To help build teamwork, whenever someone scored, they would always point to the player that passed them the ball as they ran back down the court. Why can't we do the same thing? If you accomplish something, point to the people, acknowledge the others that allowed you to receive the "applause."

This last month I was honored to confer the Order of the Temple on several candidates in various locations. I was fortunate enough to get some compliments on the conferral. Anything I may do in ritualistic masonry is directly related to my teachers. They are the ones that instruct me, encourage me, keep me improving and hold me accountable when I mess up. Let me point out a few of them; Bob Rich, Mel Haygood, Billy Sellers, Steve Wolfe, Sam Reid, John Huffman and now Michael Malone. These are the men that deserve the praise. They took the time to teach me. They ride me when I make mistakes (sometimes in a fun-loving way) and encourage me to do better the next time. Thank you, Sir Knights, for spending the time to make me better and allowing me to receive compliments on your behalf.

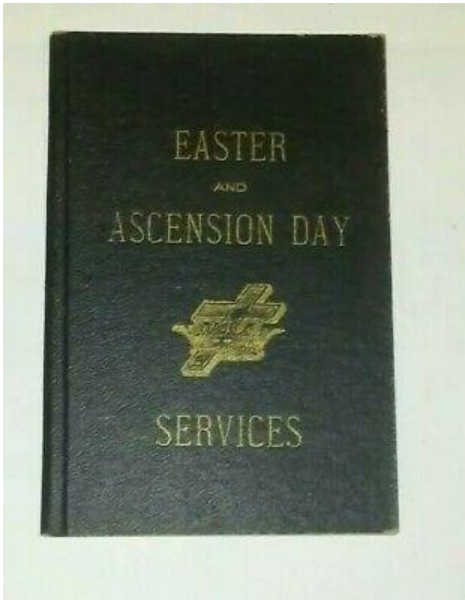
God bless each of you and God bless the Grand Commandery of Texas

*Richard B. Jarnigan*

Grand Commander 2022 – 2023



# COMMANDERY ASCENSION SERVICE AT THE TMRC JUNE 5 AT 2:00 PM



The service will be conducted by Sir Knight **Charles Steven Wolfe**, Eminent Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandery of Texas. He is from Worth Commandery #19.

Come join us for the “open” celebration of Ascension Day at the Beautiful Texas Masonic Retirement Community. All are invited!!!!

Sunday, June 5, 2022 at 2:00 PM

# DISTRICT 6

## SCHOOL OF • INSTRUCTION



Attention, all Sir Knights!

SK Chapman, Eminent Grand Sword Bearer will hold the Knights Templar School of Instruction for District 6 in the Worth Commandery Asylum on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of the Fort Worth Masonic Temple in downtown Fort Worth.

Breakfast on floor 4M at 8:00 AM.

School of Instruction on 4<sup>th</sup> floor at 9:00 AM.

June 18, 2022

08:00 Breakfast

09:00 School

4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
1100 Henderson Street  
Fort Worth





## TEXAS ALLIED MASONIC DEGREE ASSOCIATION

### Evening Degree Conferrals – June 10, 2022 – Lee Lockwood Scottish Rite, Waco

6:00 pm – Dinner (Restaurant TBA)

7:30 pm – **Knight Commander, Red Branch of Eri** (open only to Awardees)

8:30 pm – **Grade 4, Masonic Knights of the Scarlet Cord** (open to SMs & PSMs who have received Grade 3)

### Annual Meeting – June 11, 2022 – Lee Lockwood Scottish Rite, Waco

8:00 am – Registration – Pre-registration \$15; Day-of \$20

8:30 am – Group photo (front of Lee Lockwood building)

9:00 am – Opening (Holy Stone Council No. 274)

9:15 am – Obligation of candidates of various Councils

9:20 am – Explanation of the Allied Masonic Degrees

9:30 am – **Keynote Speaker: R. W. & III. Moises I. Gomez**

10:00 am – Business meeting & Election of Officers

11:00 am – Break

11:15 am – **Knights of Constantinople** degree – Worth's Hiram Abif Council No. 342

12:00 pm – **Royal Ark Mariner** degree – Grand Arcanum Council No. 447

12:30 pm – Lunch (BBQ – served by Waco DeMolay)

**Installed Sovereign Master** degree – Anson Jones Council No. 462  
(open only to SMs and PSMs)

1:30 pm – **Grand Architect** degree – Robert Bruce Brannon Council No. 270

2:15 pm – **St. Lawrence the Martyr** degree – Andrew H. "Tony" Bass Council No. 475

3:00 pm – **Order of the Secret Monitor** degree (Amer. Ver.) – Holy Stone Council No. 274

3:45 pm – Break

4:00 pm – **Commander Noah** degree – Loyd L. Chance Council No. 522 (open only to SMs & PSMs)

4:40 pm – Installation of new officers

5:00 pm – Closing (Holy Stone Council No. 274)

**Masonic Order of the Bath** to follow





# Memorial Day – Remembrance Admiral Chester W. Nimitz



With a soft voice and friendly demeanor, Adm. Chester W. Nimitz did not reach out and grab the public the way many of his Army contemporaries did.

The admiral's mild voice and unfeigned interest in the views of his subordinates told staffers their new boss would be a team-builder, not a tyrant. "It was Nimitz's particular gift to be able to impart to others the confidence that they could succeed."

As disasters rolled in through early 1942, Nimitz kept his composure.... "Nimitz had been raised by his maternal grandfather, and one piece of advice his grandfather gave him was never to worry about things that were beyond his control," Mr. Symonds explains. "That stoicism became a central element of Nimitz's personality."

Unlike his boss, Adm. Ernest J. King, whose full-broadside tirades could leave generals, admirals and cabinet members shaken, Nimitz had a diplomat's touch when dealing with the egocentric Gen. Douglas MacArthur,



the irascible Marine Corps Lt. Gen. Holland M. “Howlin’ Mad” Smith, or the Pattonesque Third Fleet commander, Vice Adm. William “Bull” Halsey.

Three-mile walks before breakfast, blowing off steam at the pistol range or horseshoe pit, and the occasional two-mile swim kept him fit and refreshed. “He preferred simple and uncomplicated meals—meat and potatoes, bread and butter,” Mr. Symonds adds. A connoisseur of classical music, he treasured his record collection. “On some nights when he did not have company he turned off all the lights so he could open the windows to the night air and listen, usually in his pajamas and bathrobe, to whatever musical piece he had selected.”

“Nimitz took care to ensure that personnel disputes, inter-service rivalries, or even errors in judgment did not interfere with progress in the war. The important thing was not to find fault or to apportion blame, but to sustain the momentum,” Mr. Symonds concludes.

The Battle of Midway, Nimitz’s signature victory, was one of several examples of the quiet man taking risks the blustering King felt were too dangerous. “King had consistently pressed for more aggressive action, while Nimitz had tried to temper his expectations. Now the roles were reversed,” Mr. Symonds writes. “In the last week of May 1942, Nimitz staked everything on an unequal contest with the enemy’s main battle fleet. It was a bold decision, but it was not reckless.”

Mr. Symonds chronicles life at the top of a pyramid of compromises, a pinnacle where Nimitz balanced high expectations in Washington against real shortages of ships, pilots, fuel and equipment. He prodded local commanders, dealt with demands from MacArthur and King, and protected his junior admirals from the slings and arrows of a Navy in which office politics is a blood sport.

*Excerpts from WSJ Review by Jonathan W. Jordan of Craig L. Symonds’ book entitled “Nimitz at War”. Thanks to Reeves Winn for posting.*

# TMRC – Texas Masonic Retirement Community News

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2022 AT 10 AM – 4 PM

**Family Day**

1501 W Division St, Arlington, TX 76012-3818, United States

The image is a promotional poster for 'Family Day!'. It features three photographs: a man grilling corn, a child riding a horse, and a man holding a trophy. Text on the poster includes 'Family Day!', 'Saturday Oct. 8, 2022 10 am - 4 pm FREE Admission!', and 'Biggest Masonic Event in Texas!'. Below the poster is a calendar icon with the number '8', the date 'SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2022 AT 10 AM – 4 PM', the event title 'Family Day', and the address '1501 W Division St, Arlington, TX 76012-3818, United States'.

## Details

- Event by Texas Masonic Retirement Community
- 1501 W Division St, Arlington, TX 76012-3818, United States
- Duration: 6 hr
- Public · Anyone on or off Facebook

Family Fun & Festivities!  
Biggest Masonic event in Texas! Thousands attend!  
FREE Admission  
Meet M:W: Grand Master - Grand Lodge of TX  
Texas Masonic BBQ Cookoff  
Classic Car & Motorcycle Show  
Masonic Fundraising Booths  
Unique Arts & Crafts -100's of Vendors  
Children's Games - Pony Rides - Jump Houses - Video Games  
Hot Dogs - BBQ - Ice Cream - Kettle Corn - Snow Cones  
Open House - Texas Masonic Retirement Community  
More info and entry forms at <https://yourtmrc.org/family-day/>  
Contact us at 817-275-2893 with questions

## Book Vendor Space NOW – Family Day 2022

Lodge fundraising opportunity! Don't miss it! Texas Masonic Family Day 2022 attracts thousands of Masons, their families, and friends from all over the state! Claim your free booth and raise funds by selling items or food to these loyal buyers. Book your booth NOW! Family Day 2022 takes place on Saturday, October 8, from 10 am to 4 pm, at Texas Masonic Retirement Community in Arlington. Reserve your booth at <https://yourtmrc.org/family-day/>







## Texas Masonic Retirement Community

May 23 at 3:33 PM · 🌐

"I started a new chapter in my life when I moved to TMRC. This place is one of the best kept secrets in Masonry!" Don C., a TMRC resident, shared thoughts and photos. With no deposit required, give us a call at 817-275-2893 to schedule a personal tour or visit our website for a video tour: <https://yourtmrc.org/our.../apartments-duplexes/high-rise/>





Thank you!!! Rex Salade, High Priest and Thrice Illustrious Master, accepts a recognition award for the \$1,000 donation to the No Mason Left Behind Project on behalf of members of Goodnight Loving Chapter and Council #75/47. Gary Blair (right), Superintendent at TMRC, presented the award at recent meeting. Learn more about this tremendous program at <https://yourtmrc.org/donate/>





# Texas Masonic Retirement Community

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## Sweet Home Lodge #576

### Installation of Officers

When: Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup> – Dinner at 5:30pm

Where: 1501 West Division, Arlington TX

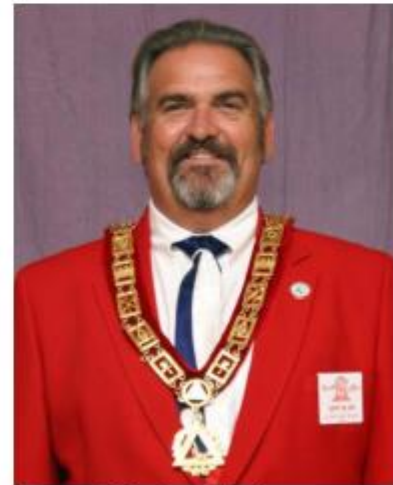
Who: Everyone is invited:



**M. W. Brad Billings**  
Grand Master of Masons in Texas  
Installing Officer



**Honorable Floyd Hall**  
President TMRC Board of Directors  
Installing Marshal



**Honorable Gary Blair**  
Superintendent TMRC  
Installing Chaplain

James Kirkpatrick, Editor

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