Tarrant County York Rite The Keystone

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Welcome to the August 2023 Edition Tarrant County York Rite Association Newsletter

Degrees and Events Schedule

Every Wednesday – Worth Commandery weekly practice/floor school at Fort Worth Temple – 6 pm Grand Commander Chance Chapman Message – Page 6-7 (From Texas Templar Magazine August) TMRC news – Page 8

- Aug 5 McKinney York Rite Festival Breakfast 7 am, Degrees 8 am Flyer page 5
- Aug 12 School of Instruction: Tarrant Chapter/Council at Richland Hills Lodge 9 to 11 am
- Aug 12 Trinity York Rite College #154 and TMRC honoring WM's at TMRC Eat 6 pm page 3
- Aug 19 McKinney Commandery Orders Breakfast 7 am, Degrees 8 am Flyer page 5
- Aug 19 Sweet Home Lodge at the TMRC 1:30 pm
- Aug 28 Stephenville Royal Arch Degree Eat at 6:30 pm (combine w/ Ridglea)
- Aug 29 Tarrant County York Rite Association Meeting / York Rite College 6:45 pm page 4
- Aug 30 Texas Council Degrees 6:30 pm
- Sep 9 Scottish Rite Honors Celebration in Dallas
- Sep 16 Sweet Home Lodge at the TMRC 1:30 pm
- Sep 20 Ridglea Council Degrees Eat 6:00 pm (tentative)
- Sep 23 Tyler York Rite Festival Breakfast 7 am, Degrees 8 am
- Sep 25 Stephenville Council Degrees Eat 6:00 pm (tentative)
- Oct 13 Grand Commander Festive Board on Friday 13th at the Fort Worth Temple (more details later)
- Oct 13 BBQ cooking at the TMRC for Family Day
- Oct 14 Family Day at the TMRC 10 to 4 largest gathering of Masons in the state Page 8

UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS – August 2023 and September 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		Aug 1 Texas and Southside York Rite Eat 6 pm Meeting 7 pm	Aug 2 Tarrant York Rite Eat 6 pm Meeting 7 pm	Aug 3 Southside and Worth Commandery	Aug 4	Aug 5 TMRC Pecan Grove 9 am McKinney Festival Breakfast 7
Aug 6	Aug 7	Aug 8	Aug 9 Goodnight- Loving 7 pm	Aug 10	Aug 11 Grand Prairie Chapter/ Council 7 pm	Aug 12 School of Instruction at Tarrant
Aug 13	Aug 14 Arlington Chapter/Council Stated Meeting Meal 6 pm	Aug 15 7:30 pm Denton Commandery Dinner 6:30 pm	Aug 16 Ridglea Chapter/ Council Eat 6:30 pm	Aug 17	Aug 18	Aug 19 Sweet Home Lodge 1:30pm TMRC McKinney Commandery Orders Breakfast 7
Aug 20	Aug 21 Stephenville And Arlington Commandery Eat 6 pm	Aug 22	Aug 23	Aug 24	Aug 25	Aug 26
Aug 27	Aug 28 Stephenville Chapter/Council Eat 6pm Royal Arch	Aug 29 TCYRA Meeting and York Rite College at FTW Degrees too 6:45 pm	Aug 30 Texas Council Degrees 6:30 pm	Aug 31	Sep 1	Sep 2 TMRC Pecan Grove 9 am
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Trinity York Rite College And TMRC - Honor the WM's

https://trinity154.yorkritetexas.org/product/2023-honoring-the-masters-event-ticket/

Banquet Honoring Worshipful Masters of the 64th District



Saturday 12 August 2023

6pm Social Hour/7pm Honors Reception and Dinner

Texas Masonic Retirement Community
1501 W Division St
Arlington, TX 76012

Open meeting. All Masons and wives are welcome.

Surf n' turf dinner, \$40. For tickets, scan the QR code, or go to: https://trinity154.yorkritetexas.org/product/2023-honoring-the-masters-event-ticket/





Hosted by Trinity York Rite College #154







TARRANT COUNTY YORK RITE ASSOCIATION MEETING TRINITY YORK RITE COLLEGE #154 DEGREE CONFERRAL

TUESDAY, AUG 29, 2023, AT 6:45 PM – no meal ALL MASONS INVITED!!!!!

FORT WORTH TEMPLE, 1100 HENDERSON STREET, FORT WORTH TEXAS

Trinity York Rite College 154 meeting afterwards. College only. The York Rite College Degree will be conferred on candidates.



Gabriel Jagush, President TCYRA (Also elected Grand Sentinel of the Grand Commandery)



Dr. Zachary Haston, Governor (Also, DDGM-20 of the Grand Council)

Here is a picture of our Texas contingent of the Order of the Purple Cross this year. Congratulations to all



2023 McKINNEY YORK RITE FESTIVAL







Conferral of the Chapter and Council Degrees Saturday, August 5th

The degrees of the Chapter and Council equip the Mason with a completed Temple, the discovery and preservation of the Word, and an explanation of the symbolism to which he has been introduced in the fundamental degrees.

Conferral of the Commandery Orders Saturday, August 19th

After receiving the degrees of the Chapter and Council, a Mason of the Christian faith will want to adorn his Masonic edifice with the principles of the Christian religion by receiving the Orders of Christian Knighthood.

Breakfast will be served at 7:00 a.m.
each day, and the Degrees/Orders will
begin promptly at 8:00 a.m. at the
McKinney Masonic Temple
1811 Ridge Road
McKinney, TX 75071

Petitions are available at McKinneyYorkRite.com/join



Degree Fees

(For Candidates Joining the McKinney York Rite Bodies*)

Haggai Chapter No. 53: \$200 Haggai Council No. 38: \$100 McKinney Commandery No. 34: \$200

Annual Dues

(For Candidates Joining the McKinney York Rite Bodies*)

Haggai Chapter No. 53: \$43 per year Haggai Council No. 38: \$43 per year McKinney Commandery No. 34: \$50 per year

*Courtesy Candidates should contact the Secretary/Recorder of their Chapter/Council/Commandery for fees and dues information.

Courtesy candidates are welcome!

Contact McKinneyYorkRite@gmail.com for additional details.



Sir Knights,

In the past two months, I have had the great pleasure to represent you at both of our Masonic Youth groups' state meetings, the Grand Assembly for Texas Rainbow and the State Conclave of the Texas DeMolay Association. It is amazing how dedicated the members of these two organizations are to our Masonic family. We were asked to form an Arch of Steel for the State Officers at DeMolay's Conclave, and the young men were very appreciative and excited to see "all the cool medals and fuzzy hats!" I urge all Texas Knights to be involved with these organizations in some capacity. You will enjoy it and may just plant the seed for some future Sir Knights and Beauceant members.

Be sure to follow the Reverse Advent Calendar for the Statewide Food Drive in August! We are off to a great start, and I know we are making a difference in the lives of many in need.

At the Statewide Festival in the Grand Lodge Main Auditorium, we knighted 34 new Sir Knights. What an incredible experience! Welcome to our new Fraters! Thank you to all our Sir Knights who made this event happen. It was a pleasure to work with all of you.

In His Service,
T. Chance Chapman
Grand Commander

PRELATE'S APARTMENT





A MESSAGE FROM THE **EMINENT GRAND PRELATE**

Sir Knights,

I am nowhere close to being a Bible scholar. But while doing some searching on the subject of "Truth" and how we as Christian Knights or as Knights of the Red Cross see the meaning of truth. I went to the book 1st Esdras, which you will not find in the King James Bible. It can be found in the Hebrew and Greek texts or the Apocrypha. The story told in 1 Esdras Chapter 3 should be familiar to all Sir Knights. The middle of the story verse 34 to 36 reads: Then

Zerubbabel began to speak about truth. "Yes, gentlemen," he said, "women are very strong. But think of how big the earth is, how high the sky is; think how fast the sun moves, as it rapidly circles the whole sky in a single day. If the sun can do this, it is certainly great. But truth is greater and stronger than all of these things. Everyone on earth honors truth; heaven praises it; all creation trembles in awe before it. "There is not the slightest injustice in truth.

Verse 38 to 41; But truth endures and is always strong; it will continue to live and reign forever. Truth shows no partiality or favoritism; it does what is right, rather than what is unjust or evil. Everyone approves what truth does; its decisions are always fair. Truth is strong, royal, powerful, and majestic forever. Let all things praise the God of truth!" When Zerubbabel had finished speaking, all the people shouted, "Truth is great, there is nothing stronger!"

It seems that so many people are telling us today that each person has their own truth and we can't question what someone else's truth is. Sir knights let us remember that there is but one truth. Praise the God of truth! In the name of Jesus, Amen.-



A BLESSING FROM SIR KNIGHT & REV. SEAN LEICK

"The works of nature and the works of revelation display religion to mankind in characters so large and visible that those who are not quite blind may in them see and read the first principles and most necessary parts of it and from thence penetrate into those infinite depths filled with the treasures of wisdom and knowledge" - John Locke

"In some respects, the world is in the same situation that it was in after the fall of the Roman empire. There is an even greater need for a religious revival now because paganism has become sophisticated." - Barbara Ward

It seems to me that when we examine our surroundings we see the marks of our Creator upon every living thing. Yet we have somehow, as a society, neglected the religious component of our civic duty as Americans. There was once a time, perhaps 60 years ago I'm told, when being an active member of a local church was considered a critical component of being a "good American." Times change and cultures evolve, but we are called, as Masons and Templars, to shine light on the necessity of maintaining a healthy spiritual life through church involvement. I pray that each of us will labor to exemplify this lifestyle, and in doing so make a positive impact on the world around us.





Texas Masonic Retirement Community

July 28 at 3:12 PM · 🔇

Raise money for your Masonic projects with a free booth at Family Day on Saturday, Oct. 14! Largest gathering of Masons, families, and friends in the state! Learn more here: https://yourtmrc.org/family-day/



James Kirkpatrick, Editor

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