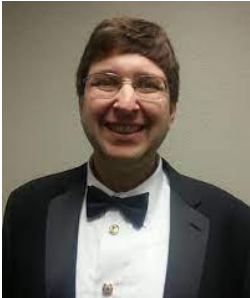




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Welcome to the July 2024 Edition
Tarrant County York Rite Association Newsletter

Degrees and Events Schedule

See Chapter/Council Installation Schedule on the Calendar

July 10 – Worth Commandery Order of the Red Cross

July 16 – Texas Chapter PM/MEM Degrees – 6:30 pm at Ft Worth Temple

July 17 – TMRC Pecan Grove Royal Arch Degree – 6:30 pm at TMRC

July 20 – Sweet Home Lodge at TMRC – 1:30 pm – Al Foley WM

July 22 – 64th MWSA Meeting – Election and Installation of Officers

At Smithfield Masonic Lodge

Several Past Grand Lodge Officers will be present, Eat 6 pm – Meeting 7 pm

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UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS – July and August 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
June 30	July 1	July 2 Texas and Southside Chapter Council 6:30 pm	July 3 Tarrant York Rite Installation All Invited Cuisine 6 pm Meeting 7 pm	July 4 Southside and Worth Commandery Eat at 6 pm	July 5	July 6 Pecan Grove York Rite Installation 9 am
July 7	July 8 Arlington Chapter/Council Cuisine at 6 pm	July 9	July 10 FTW MSB 6 pm Worth Commandery Order of the Red Cross 6:45 pm	July 11	July 12 Grand Prairie York Rite 6:30 pm	July 13
July 14	July 15 Goodnight Loving York Rite 6 pm	July 16 Denton Commandery Eat 6:30 pm	July 17 Royal Arch Degree at TMRC 6:30pm	July 18	July 19	July 20 Sweet Home Lodge At the TMRC 1:30 pm
	Stephenville and Arlington Commandery Eat 6 pm	Texas Chapter PM/MEM degrees 6:45 pm at FTW Temple				
July 21	July 22 Stephenville York Rite 6 pm	July 23	July 24	July 25	July 26	July 27
	64 th MWSA Election and Installation Smithfield Lodge Eat 6 pm.					
July 28	July 29 Arlington York Rite Installation Cuisine 6 pm All Invited	July 30 Tarrant County York Rite Assoc Trinity York Rite College 6:45	July 31	Aug 1 Southside and Worth Commandery Eat at 6 pm	Aug 2	Aug 3 Pecan Grove York Rite 9 am
Aug 4	Aug 5	Aug 6 Texas and Southside Chapter Council 6:30 pm	Aug 7 Tarrant Mark Master Degree Eat 6 Meeting 7 pm	Aug 8	Aug 9 Grand Prairie York Rite 6:30 pm	Aug 10
Aug 11	Aug 12 Arlington Chapter/Council Cuisine at 6 pm	Aug 13	Aug 14 FTW MSB 6 pm	Aug 15	Aug 16	Aug 17 Sweet Home Lodge - TMRC 1:30 pm
						SEM Degree Fort Worth Temple – 2pm
Aug 18	Aug 19 Goodnight Loving York Rite 6 pm	Aug 20 Denton Commandery Eat 6:30 pm	Aug 21 Royal Master's Degree at TMRC 6:30pm	Aug 22	Aug 23	Aug 24 York Rite College honors WM's at Banquet TMRC 6-9 pm
	Stephenville and Arlington Commandery Eat 6 pm					

Saturday, Aug 17 through Wednesday Aug 21 – Grand Encampment, Salt Lake City Utah – Details Page 8



**Tarrant County York Rite Association
and Trinity York Rite College #154
Stated Communication**

Tuesday, July 30, 2024, at the Fort Worth Temple at 6:45 pm

Included in the business:

**Discussion including Super Excellent Master's Degree on Aug 17
Annual Banquet honoring WM's at TMRC
Next Year's Grand Chapter/Grand Council Details
... and more
(Location: Fort Worth Temple)**

Saturday, August 24th at 6 pm, Pre-Eminent Governor **Bob Brunk
welcomes everyone to the
“Annual Banquet honoring Worshipful Masters - At the TMRC”
Details forthcoming on the next newsletter**

64th District Masters, Wardens and Secretaries Association

Everyone Invited – Especially the ladies
Monday, July 22, 2024 –
Delicious Dinner at 6 pm, Meeting at 7 pm
Election and Installation of Officers
Smithfield Masonic Lodge
8013 Main Street, North Richland Hills, Texas



R.W. Kenneth C. Curry, Election Officer
R.W. H. Bart Henderson, Installing Officer
R.W. Brian R. Dodson, Installing Marshal
R.W. Jerry N. Kirby, special Bible Presentation
Miss Alice Jones, Texas Rainbow Girls Grand Representative to Maine and Massachusetts, from Arlington #96, gavel presentation

Message from Sir Knight **Justin Bauer**,
Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Texas,

Sir Knights,

Last month, I wrote about how Texas is heating up - both outside and with Masonic activity. I know you feel it. It is not just hot outside. Our lodges, Chapters, and Councils are installing new officers and thanking those who served last year.

In June, the Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Texas were also quite busy! Some of us are staying cool while presenting flags at installations or attending district schools of instruction around the state while others are outside at drill practices preparing for competition at the 69th Triennial Conclave that will be in Salt Lake City, Utah in August.

Wherever you choose to spend your time, I want to personally thank you for your efforts, both inside and outside, to promote Christian Masonry. Your work is what makes us great. Your work helped us knight twenty-three new members at the State-wide York Rite Festival two weeks ago! Thank you for all that you do.

In honor of the upcoming July 4th holiday, I would like you to receive this Independence Day blessing:

"May the sun in his course visit no land more free, more happy, more lovely, than this our own country!" -Daniel Webster

In His Service,
Justin C. Bauer, Grand Commander

Message from Sir Knight **Brad Billings**,
Eminent Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandery of Texas

How often do you seek God's guidance or intervention in your life? Is it a regular practice, or a convenient one in times of adversity, personal strife, or while making significant decisions? Whatever your current routine entails, our Masonic teachings seem to indicate that a more faithful reliance will reward us.

Petitioning the Great Architect is a form of seeking His will in our lives and believing, or at least acknowledging, His Divine Providence. As Masons, we are introduced to this term in its hieroglyphic form of a blazing star in the center of the Mosaic Pavement. In the corresponding paragraph, it is imparted that a faithful reliance on Divine Providence will enable us to obtain those manifold blessings and comforts in life.

But what is Divine Providence, truly? The term refers to universal governance by a Supreme Being and is a central concept to many religious doctrines. It asserts that all events in the world are under the control and guidance of the divine. That God not only created the world but is also active in it. My personal belief is that God, being outside of time, can view all of history at once, enabling Him to weave our collective stories to accomplish His end. Others believe that God decides our fate irrespective of our actions. However you personally define Divine Providence, its pattern is deeply ingrained in the Masonic doctrine and is a subject worthy of our study as Templars.

As Christians, one of the earliest and clearest examples of Divine Providence runs throughout the book of Exodus and converges at the confluence of the conflict between Moses and Pharaoh. This story, alluded to in part in the Royal Arch Degree, portrays God as the guiding force in the world and unseen ruler over all nations. From the time the Egyptian Pharaoh demands the male Hebrew babies be executed, a divine current begins to flow, first delivering Moses to Pharaoh's daughter, allowing him to be schooled in the Egyptian arts (after being nursed by his own true mother), continuing through events that lead to his murderous exile, humbly finding God on the mountain and ultimately his return to demand his 'uncle' to "let his people go." Then, the signs and the plagues culminate in the parting of the Red Sea by a mighty wind, which closes just in time to see the pharaoh's army swallowed up after the Israelites had walked across on dry ground. In each chapter and verse, there is divine inspiration, a story too good to arrive from chance, a story only divine providence can deliver.

Understanding that God is in control allows us to remember that Mosaic pavement. And although life sometimes seems dark and gloomy, if we continue to have faith in Him, we trust that we will eventually be delivered into His blessings and comforts. As Knights Templar, this understanding invites us to see the hand of God in our daily lives and in the destiny of all nations.

Before I became comfortable with Divine Providence in my life, I would pray that God would do certain things: a blessing, a resolution, or, as far as I was concerned, providing a result that was favorable to my plans. With a firm foundation of Divine Providence, my prayers have shifted and become broader and more open to His interpretation. I invite you now to pray with me:

Heavenly Father, I come before you with a humble heart, earnestly seeking Your Will in my life. Lord, I ask for Your Divine Guidance in times of joy and adversity, hoping that all I do will be pleasing in Your sight and further Your kingdom here on earth. I ask for these favors and blessings not that I may boast but, in all things, to find a way to give You the honor and the glory. In Your Son's holy name, I pray, Amen.

69TH TRIENNIAL CONCLAVE



The 69th Triennial Conclave will begin with the drill competition on Saturday, August 17, 2024, followed by a “Pass in Review.” The Sunday, August 18th Divine service begins at 8:00 AM. The Grand Master’s reception is that evening. The business sessions will begin on Monday morning, August 19th with the public reception of distinguished guests and the grand commanders. The business session will continue Tuesday, August 20th, with the Grand Master’s banquet on Tuesday evening. Installation will occur on Wednesday morning, followed by the session's adjournment.

The Little America Hotel in Salt Lake City is the headquarters for the Triennial Conclave. This four-star property offers 850 luxurious guestrooms, complimentary in-room Wi-Fi access, down pillows, and other luxury amenities. The 10-acre grounds are beautifully landscaped with fountains, flower gardens, and over 300 trees. The experienced, friendly staff is dedicated to their tradition of hospitality and excellence. It is conveniently located in the heart of downtown Salt Lake City and just 10 minutes from the Salt Lake International Airport. Nestled between the Wasatch and Oquirrh Mountain Ranges in the magnificent Salt Lake Valley, Little America is within walking distance from shopping, restaurants, and cultural and sporting events. Other nearby attractions include historic Temple Square, the world-famous Great Salt Lake, and national parks, forests, and monuments.

If you are planning to fly to Salt Lake City, you can ride the light rail system TRAX Green Line from the airport to the 600 South station. The TRAX station is located on the ground level outside of the airport terminal on the east side (exit door 1A and go east). The cost is \$2.50 one way.



Texas Masonic Retirement Community

Hay! Hay! Hay! Hay over there, hay over here, hay everywhere! Our board approved the purchase of hay baling equipment so now we do this on our own at TMRC! We've been a working farm of one sort or another for more than 100 years!





Texas Masonic Retirement Community

June 18 at 1:38 PM · 🌐

100 years young!!! Gerry celebrated with friends at a gigantic party to salute her 100th birthday. Huge thanks to all who coordinated this event and to all who joined in the fun on this momentous occasion!

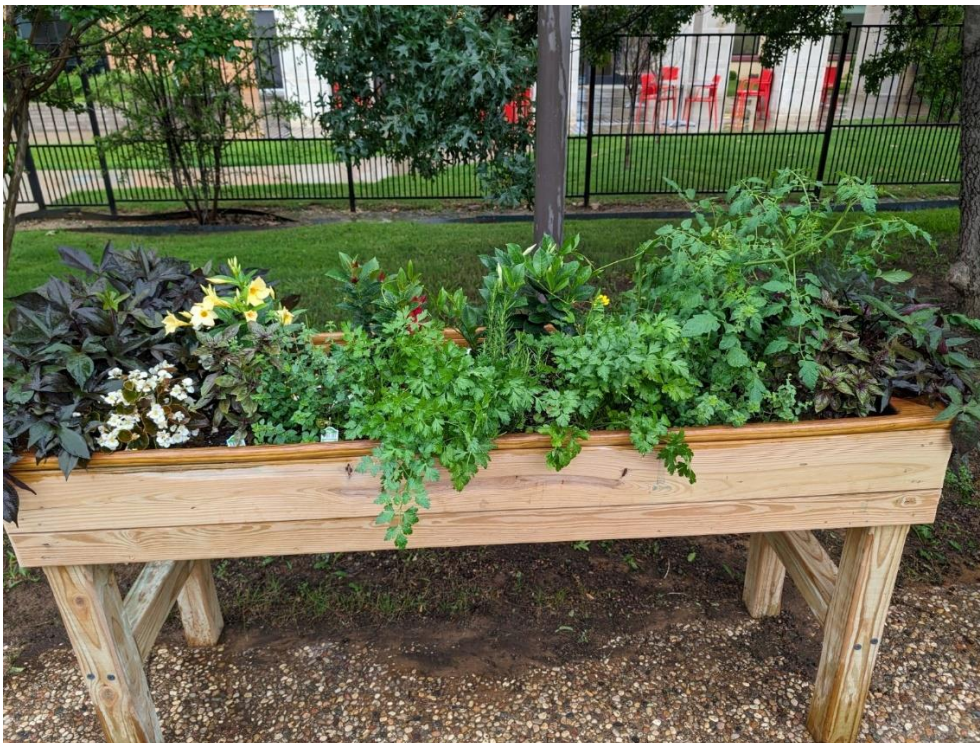


Love gardening?

Dig in with a move to TMRC and enjoy our latest resident gardening projects!

Learn more about our payment plans to fit every budget

at <https://yourtmrc.org/our-community/apartments-duplexes/>



Tom Lanier has created a new Facebook page called “TMRC - Operation Kindness”



Tom Lanier

Please share with all lodge and body secretaries
Please tag them and let them know to bring this up. All Masonic bodies and family
Statement to the desk of all Secretaries:

Dear Secretary,

Operation Kindness has been established for the sole purpose of sending Christmas cards to the residents of TMRC during the month of December.

I am reaching out to all Texas Masonic bodies and lodges to ask if you would like to participate in this heartfelt initiative.

We are encouraging all to either create or purchase Christmas cards and write a general, cheerful holiday message. Please leave the cards unnamed, as they will be handed out at random. If the card writer wishes, they may include their return information.

We request that all cards be gathered in a central location, preferably with the secretary.

Once collected, a representative from Operation Kindness will arrange to pick them up. ***Last pick up will be November as deliveries will take place in December.

Once letters are collected send a message directly to [Tom Lanier](#). Or email at Tommylanier1@gmail.com for pick up.

This project was created to leave a lasting impression on those who mean the most in our lives, the residents of TMRC, who may receive fewer holiday inspirations than others.

Our goal is to build and expand this project every year, making it as inspiring as possible for all involved.

Thank you for your help in making this possible.

Fraternally,

Tom Lanier

James Kirkpatrick, Editor

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