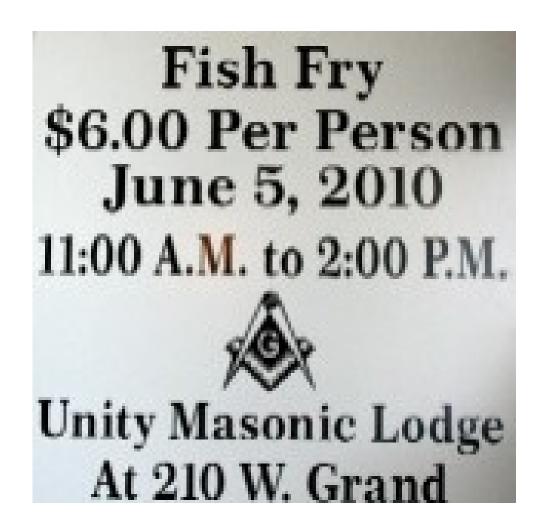
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# Borger Masonic News



Masonic News from Unity Lodge #1242, Billy Dixon Lodge #1369, Borger York Rite Bodies, and Chapter 811 O.E.S. May 2010

## Unity Lodge #1242 Places 3rd

Saturday, February 27, 2010, Unity Lodge #1242 took part in the 2nd Annual Community Chili Cook-off. The event was held at the dome.



The Stewards, with a little help, prepared the chili on Friday afternoon. The lodge prepared about 15 gallons of chili. Although the crowd was not large, we did serve a little chili.





The mayors of the Borger, Fritch, Sanford and Stinnett acted as judges. When all was said, done and dutifully tasted, Unity Lodge #1242 placed 3rd. We are shooting for 1st next year.

## **Kettle Korn Sale**



On March 6th and 7th Unity Lodge #1242 once again manned the Kettle Korn Sale. The Masons sold 200 hundred pounds of Kettle Korn and 70 pounds of pig skins. We raised over \$700.00 for our Masonic Charities. Well done Brethren, well done.

### **FISH FRY**

Fish Fry
\$6.00 Per Person
June 5, 2010
11:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.
Unity Masonic Lodge
At 210 W. Grand

On Saturday, June 5, 2010, Unity Lodge #1242 will host a fund raiser at the lodge. We will be doing a Fish Fry. Plans are to sell 700 tickets. The proceeds will go to the General Fund to purchase new tables for the dining room and maintenance on the building. Be sure to get your tickets early. We will serve from 11:00AM until 2:00PM. Hope to see you there.

### BUY YOUR TICKETS NOW

Please send the e-mail address of any member of Unity Lodge that is not receiving our newsletter to;

borgermasons@sbcglobal.net

#### **Calendar of Events**

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays @ 7:30.....Eastern Star 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday @ 7:30.....Unity #1242 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday @ 7:30.....Billy Dixon 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday @ 7:30......Borger York Rite

5-01-2010......Cornerstone Leveling @ 9:00AM @ FPC

5-07-2010.....Red Cross Conferral

6-05-2010......Fish Fry @ 11:00AM

6-11-2010.....Relay for Life at Huber Park @ 5:00PM

6-17-2010.....Unity Stated Meeting and Election of Officers

7-17-2010......Regional Installation of Officers @ 1:00 @ FPC

7-24-2010......MS Bike Ride & BBQ @ Canadian

7-30-2010......Game Night @ Unity Lodge @ 7:00pm



Jeff D. Holcomb	1-21-2010
Jimmie Blackman	2-08-2010
Gene K. Smith	6-28-2008
Orville Fleming	2-14-2010
Marcel A Poulain	4-03-2010

# **Grand Masters Conference**

On Saturday April 10, 2010, the Grand Masters Conference was held in Borger, Texas. The conference was held in the Fine Arts Building.

On Friday evening prior to the conference, a dinner was held to honor the wife of Grand Master Orville O'Neill.



Following the dinner, R:W: D. C. Taylor District Deputy Grand Master of Masonic District #102 presented Mrs. O'Neill with a yellow sculptured rose.



On Saturday morning the conference kicked off with members of Borger Commandery #96 and Amarillo Commandery #48 presenting the flags.



State Coordinator Ron Park then presented the Conference for 2010. Following the power point programs Most Worshipful Grand Master Orville O'Neill gave a short talk and answered any questions from the brethren.





## **Community Service**



Recently, members of Unity Masonic Lodge #1242 assembled to build a handicap ramp. The ramp was built at 313 Dolomita in Borger, Texas.



Special thanks to Brother Bill Spelce, D. C. Taylor, Randy Hardin, and Terry Flippo for their efforts.

There will be more community to work to come in the near future.

### **Scottish Rite**

On Saturday, April 24, 2010, members of the High Plains Degree Teams helped confer the Degrees at the Lubbock Scottish Rite Reunion.

We had a total of eighteen candidates that watched the degrees as the were put on by the various degree teams from across the panhandle.

We had a great time and urge any Scottish Rite Mason to join a degree team.

#### **York Rite News**

On April 16th through April 20th, 2010 the Grand Commandery held their annual communication. This years Grand Commandery was held in Kerrville Texas. Sir Knight David Melear of Amarillo Commandery #48 was installed as the Grand Commander of Knights Templar in Texas. The Grand Commandery for 2011 will be held in Amarillo Texas.



## UNITY #1242 PRESENTS 60, 50, and 25 YEAR AWARDS

On Saturday March 13, 2010, Unity Lodge #1242 presented 60, 50, and 25 Year Awards. An Awards dinner was served in the dining room to honor our award recipients. A total of 61 Masons and guests were present.



A total of 23 Masons, and 39 guests enjoyed a fine meal prepared by the Lodge Stewards



Right Worshipful D. C. Taylor presented 60 Year Awards to Brothers Raymond R. Renfroe and Pat Harvey.



The Right Worshipful then presented 50 Year Awards to Brothers Harry Kuhrt, Fred Englund, Randall Latimer, D'Armon Peabody, and George Baxter.



Twenty-Five Year Awards were presented to Brother Chuck Nichols and Mike Held.

The Awards Program was enjoyed by all who attended.

#### **Masonic Poem**

I met a dear old man today
Who wore a Masonic pin
It was old and faded like the man,
It's edges worn and thin.

I approached the park bench where he sat,

To give the old brother his due I said "I see you've traveled East", He said, "I have, have you?"

I said, I have and in my day
Before the all seeing sun
I played in the rubble
With Jubala, Jubelo, and Jubalum.

He said don't laugh at the work my son
It's good and sweet and true.....
And if you've traveled as you said
You should give these things their due.

The word, the sign, the token,
The sweet Masonic prayer.
The vow that you have taken
You have climbed the inner stair.

The wages of a Mason are never paid in gold

But the gain comes from contentment When you're weak and growing old.

You see, I've carried my obligations
For almost 50 years
It has helped me through the hardships
And the failures full of tears...

Now I'm losing my mind and body Death is near, but I don't despair I've lived my life upon the level And I'm dying on the square.

Sometimes the greatest lessons Are those that are learned anew And the old man in the park today Has changed my point of view.

To all my Masonic brothers
The only secret is to care
May you live upon the level
And part upon the square.

# **Cornerstone Leveling**

On Saturday May, 1, 2010, a
Representation of the Grand Lodge of
Texas will be opened at Unity Lodge
#1242 for the purpose of leveling the
cornerstone of the Warren Chisum
Welding and Safety Building at Frank
Phillips College. The lodge will be opened
at 9:00am and all Masons are urged to
attend.

Study and Floor Practices are being held every Monday evening at 7:00pm, except on the 3rd Monday of the month. Come to practice and learn to work in a degree or just enjoy the fellowship