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Borger Masonic News



Masonic News from Unity Lodge #1242, Billy Dixon Lodge #1369,
Borger York Rite Bodies, Scottish Rite, and Chapter 811 O.E.S.
November 2011

Kettle Korn Sale

On September 10th and 11th a Kettle Korn Sale was held during the Altrusa Arts and Crafts Show at the Aluminum Dome. Several of our Masons worked all day on both days to make the sale a success.



L to R; Ray Renfro, Kevin Flanagan, Jonathan Douglas, Doug Maxey, Bill Spelce

The sale raised \$585.41 in sales and donations to be divided between the Scottish Rite Hospital at Dallas, Texas, The West Texas Learning Center at the Scottish Rite Temple in Lubbock, and the Knight Templar Eye Foundation. The Masons of Hutchinson County have raised \$12,378.04 over the last few years.



We all have a great time at the Kettle Korn Sales. The next sale will be on Saturday November 12th, and Sunday November 13th, 2010 at the Aluminum Dome. We could use some help to man the booth and get the square and compass in the public's view.

It takes a lot of hard work to set up and tear down the equipment for each days sale. Some of our members are getting a little out of shape to carry this stuff around and we could use a little help.

One special note...Brother Ray Renfro is the one who started the Kettle Korn Sale and is to be commended for all the hard work he has put into the project. Thanks Ray Ray!!!!



Brother Doug Maxie of Amarillo is the owner of the Kettle Korn Popper. He comes to Borger three times each year and donates his time and efforts to help the Hutchinson County Masons raise money for our charities.

All area Masons are urged to participate. Let' get our lodges out in the community and show our good works. This is what Masonry is all about.

York Rite News

On Saturday November 5, 2011, Borger Commandery #96 will have their Annual Inspection. This years Inspecting Office will be Sir Knight Jerry L. Pingle, Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Commandery of Texas. All members of the Commandery are invited to attend.



On Saturday morning November 5, 2011, members of Borger Commandery #96 will march with the officers and members of Amarillo Commandery #48 in the annual Veterans Parade in Amarillo Texas. The parade will begin at 10:00am.

Brethren, we are still trying to set up an e-mail system so the Secretary can contact the brethren about upcoming events, newsletters, etc.

If you have an e-mail address, or know a brothers e-mail, please send it to:

Rhardin47@hotmail.com

Calendar of Events

1st & 3rd Tuesdays @ 7:30.....Eastern Star
1st & 3rd Thursday @ 7:30.....Unity #1242
2nd & 4th Thursday @ 7:30.....Billy Dixon
3rd Monday @ 7:00.....Borger York Rite

11-5-2011.....Commandery Inspection
@ 6:00pm

11-5-2011.....Veterans Parade in
Amarillo

11-12 & 11-13-2011...Kettle Korn Sale

11-24-2011.....Thanksgiving Day

12-2 & 3-2011.....Grand Lodge in
Waco

12-25-2011.....Christmas Day

1-1-2012.....New Years Day

IN MEMORIAM

A. O. Pickens	07-05-1994
(Reported on 8-1-2011)	
Cecil Cleveland	01-19-2010
(Reported on 8-1-2011)	
Thomas G. Case	07-23-2011
Conley G. Rhoten	08-31-2011
W. T. Logan	10-12-2011

Panhandle Masonic Hilltop Association Hosts 5-State Masonic Conference

On Saturday September 19, 2011, through Sunday August 21, 2011 members of the Panhandle Masonic Hilltop Association hosted the 5-State Masonic Conference.



Palo Duro Lodge in Amarillo was kind enough to allow the Hilltop Association to use their lodge room for the opening ceremonies. A lite meal and registration were held in the lodge dining room on Friday evening. Grand officers from Colorado, Kansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas were in attendance for this annual event.



On Saturday morning members of Amarillo Commandery #43 presented the colors during the opening ceremony. President Terry Flippo called the meeting to order. After a business session each Grand Jurisdiction was allowed to speak.

Right Worshipful Walt Rogers, Grand Senior Warden of Texas gave a short talk.



Following the meeting the brethren retired to Khiva Temple for lunch then to Amarillo Commandery for a York Rite Program. The ladies were entertained by the Beauceant Chapter of Amarillo meat to be served at their next meal.



The conference ended with everyone attending the final performance of Texas for 2011.

Scottish Rite News

On Saturday October 29, 2011, the Lubbock Scottish Rite held their fall reunion. We had 14 candidates.



6th Degree Team

A number of Hutchinson County Masons helped to confer the degrees upon the candidates.



18th Degree Team 2nd Section

The High Plains Degree Teams conferred the 6th, 18th, 26th, and 32nd Degrees during the Reunion.

We need more brethren to help with the degree. If you would like to join a degree team contact Brother Steve Cross and he will direct you to a Degree Master.



26th Degree Team



32nd Degree Team

Masonry is the oldest Fraternity in the world. Are you participating?



Annual Hilltop Meeting Held at Unity Lodge



On Saturday September 10, 2011, the Panhandle Masonic Hilltop Association held their annual Hilltop Meeting. The meeting was held in Unity Lodge #1242 in Borger due to the high fire dangers on the Terry Ranch. Hansford Lodge #1040 was the host lodge.



R: W: James F Brumit, Deputy Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas was introduced to the brethren.



R:W: Brumit and Gary Smith

R: W: Brumit was presented a Stetson from the Panhandle Hilltop Association by Brother Gary Smith.

Following the Awards R: W: Carnes installed the Hilltop Officers for 2011. The officers are Cecil Biggers, President, Kevin Smith, Vice President, Lee Crites, Secretary, Richard Izatt Treasurer and Carl Unlaub Historian.



L to R: Lee Crites, Kevin Smith, Cecil Biggers,

The next meeting of the Hilltop Association will be on Saturday November 12, 2011, at Amarillo Lodge. The meeting will begin following the Hansford Lodge meeting

We will be discussing several projects for the upcoming Masonic year. All area Masons are invited to attend.



PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

I - me, an individual, a committee of one.

Pledge - dedicate all my worldly goods to live without self-pity

Allegiance - my love and my devotion

To the Flag - our standard, Old Glory, a

symbol of freedom. Wherever she waves, there is respect, because your loyalty has given her a dignity that shouts freedom is everybody's job.

Of The United - that means we have all come together

States of America - Individual communities that have united into 50 great states. Fifty individual communities with pride and dignity and purpose, all divided with imaginary boundaries, yet united to a common purpose, and that's love for a country.

And to the Republic - A state in which sovereign power is invested in representatives chosen by the people to govern

And government is the people and it's from the people to the leaders, not from the leaders to the people.

For which it stands,

One Nation, under God - meaning, so blessed by God

Indivisible - incapable of being divided.

With Liberty - which is freedom and the right of power to live one's own life without threats or fear of some sort of retaliation.

And Justice - the principal of quality of dealing fairly with others.

For All - which meant it's as much your country as it is mine

This pledge was given by Red Skelton on his show in the 1960's. I STILL BELIEVE, how about you?



DUES NOTICES

Brethren, the dues notices for 2012 are soon to be mailed mailed for Unity Lodge #1242 and Borger Commandery #96.

**Unity Lodge will be \$60.00
Commandery will be \$35.00
Please pay your dues as soon as possible.**