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Borger Masonic News

Borger Commandery #96



Borger, Texas

Masonic News from Unity Lodge #1242, Billy Dixon Lodge #1369,
Borger York Rite Bodies, Amarillo Commandery #48, and
Chapter 811 Order of the Eastern Star

May 2012

Kettle Korn Sale



On March 3rd and 4th Unity Lodge #1242 once again manned the Kettle Korn Sale.



A few new Brethren helped with the Kettle Korn Sale.. The next sale will be in September. Hope to see you then.
Well done Brethren, well done.

Unity Lodge #1242 presents Service Awards

During the Masonic Year of 2011-12 Unity Lodge has presented a number of Service Awards.



Brother Felix Parker receives his 60 year award from Worshipful Master Wells

Brethren receiving awards during the Masonic Year:

Lester Wiles	65 Year Award
Felix Parker	60 Year Award
Cliff Akers	60 Year Award
John T. Anderson	60 Year Award
Jack Fitzgerald	60 Year Award
George Ithaca	60 Year Award
Johnny Sappington	50 Year Award
James Limes	50 Year Award
Harold Rawlins	50 Year Award
Richard Wallace	50 Year Award
Bobby Blankenship	40 Year award
Lonnie Kinley	40 Year award
Wiley Coile	40 Year Award
Billy D. Brown	40 Year Award
Howard Yeager	40 Year Award
Herb Swender	25 Year Award
Charles Murrow	25 Year Award
James D. Brown	25 Year Award

Borger Commandery to Host Breakfast

On Saturday May 12, 2012 the Borger Commandery #96 Drill Team and Amarillo Commandery #48 Drill Team will have a fund raiser breakfast at Unity Lodge #1242. The monies raised will be used to assist in travel expenses for the Drill Teams to compete at Grand Encampment in Alexandria Virginia in August.

The breakfast will begin at 8:00 am and will last until 10:00 am. A \$5.00 donation will be collected at the door. Bring your families and enjoy breakfast of pancakes, sausage and bacon.

All donations will be accepted and appreciated by the Sir Knights.

Brethren

The Masonic year will end on June 23, 2012. Those members who have not paid their dues for the 2012 Masonic year will be suspended by Grand Lodge Law. Please return your dues to the lodge secretary.

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 @ 7:30.....Borger York Rite

5-05-2012.....Red Cross Conferral & Banquet

5-12-2012.....Pancake Breakfast at Unity Lodge @ 8:00am

5-12-2012.....Hilltop meeting at Unity Lodge in Borger @ 11:00am

5-12-2012.....AMD @ 2:00pm in Unity Lodge in Borger

5-26-2012.....York Rite Conference in Floydada @ 8:00am

6-29-2012.....Unity & Billy Dixon Joint Installation of Officers @ 7:00pm

7-16-2012.....Chapter & Council Installation of Officers

7-28-2012.....MS Bike Ride & BBQ @ Canadian

Grand Masters

Conference

On Saturday April 28, 2012, the Grand Masters Conference was held in Amarillo, Texas. The colors were presented by members of Borger Commandery #96 and Amarillo Commandery #48.



Grand Master Brumit gave a program on his plans and programs for 2012.



Unfortunately Unity Lodge #1342 did not have nine officers present, but we still hope to qualify for the Vanguard Award.

York Rite Presents

Service Awards

Recently a Borger Chapter #437 Royal Arch Masons and Borger Council #354 Royal and Select Masters presented a 60 Year Service Award to Companion William L. Epps.



L to R Past High Priest Curt Farmer, Companions Andy Epps (Son) and Steve Denham

A 60 Year Award was also presented to Companion Roy McClellan by Past High Priest Cecil Biggers



Scottish Rite News

On Friday and Saturday March 23 and 24, 2012 the Spring Reunion was held at the Lubbock Scottish Rite.

The High Plains Degree Teams helped confer the Scottish Rite Degrees on 9 candidates.



There is a push on from Supreme to begin conferring all 29 Scottish Rite Degrees at reunions. We need more brethren to help fill out these degree teams. Let one of the team members know and we will get you a part in a degree.

On Saturday, April 14, 2012, members of the High Plains Degree Teams helped confer the Degrees at the one day El-Paso Scottish Rite Reunion held in Snyder, Texas.

The terminal degrees were conferred on the candidates. The

High Plains Team conferred the 18th Degree



5th Degree Team

We had a great time and urge any Scottish Rite Mason to join a degree team and assist in conferring the degrees. The next Scottish Rite Reunion will be held in El-Paso on October 19, 2012

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GRAND COMMANDERY

On April 20, 2012 through April 23, 2012 the Grand Commandery Knights Templar was held in Houston Texas.

Once again Borger Commandery #96 joined in the annual session and brought home a few rewards.

On Saturday morning the Borger Drill Team competed in the "D" Class Drill



Members of the team pictured are Sir Knights Shawn Larsen, Curt Farmer, Terry Flippo, Randy Hardin, Elijah West, Bob Russell, John Benton, and Keith Finch.

The drill team has practiced every Sunday since January and we are proud to report that we placed 4th in the drill competition. This is

quite an accomplishment for a bunch of guys with two left feet and no sense of direction. We plan to do better next year and hope other members of Borger #96 will join the team.

Members of the Borger team joined forces with Amarillo Commandery #48 to form a "C" Team. We placed 2nd in the competition. All three Drill Teams will compete at Grand Encampment in Alexandria Virginia in August.



Front Row L to R Shawn Larsen, Curt Farmer, Terry Flippo, Bob Russell, John Benton
Back Row L to R Elijah West, Randy Hardin, Tim Benton, Mike Larsen, David Melear, Judge Risley, Dallas Alford, Albert Urbina, Keith Finch, Gary Freedman

During the banquet and awards ceremony on Saturday night Borger Commandery was recognized with several awards.

Borger Commandery #96 was presented with the Cross and Crown for 2011.



Commander Randy Hardin receives the award for Past Commander Kurt Schoch

Borger Commandery #96 also received the Civic and Patriotic Award for 2011.



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Amarillo Commandery #48 once again received the Gilbough and Kidd Plaques for Ritual and Tactics. This is for work during the Annual Inspection.

Borger Commandery #96 also participated in the Ritual Competition. A total of thirteen teams competed.



L to R Sir Knights Terry Flippo, Curt Farmer, Keith Finch, Dallas Alford, Randy Hardin, and Bob Russell

Borger placed 6th in the state with competition being held in Illustrious Order of the Red Cross. Amarillo Commandery also competed and place 2nd.



L to R Albert Urbina, Gary Freedman, David Melear, Mike Larsen, Shawn Larsen, and Elijah West