

Masonic News from Unity Lodge #1242, Billy Dixon Lodge #1369, Borger York Rite Bodies, and Chapter 811 Order of the Eastern Star May 2014

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## Kettle Korn Sale



On March 1st and 2<sup>nd</sup> members Unity Lodge #1242, Billy Dixon #1369, and Borger Commandery #96 once again manned the Kettle Korn Sale.



A few new Brethren helped with the Kettle Korn Sale. It was really cold. We raised \$492.00 for the Knight Templar Eye Foundation. The next sale will be in September. Hope to see you then. Well done Brethren, well done.

# <u>60 Years a York Rite</u> <u>Mason</u>

On Tuesday March 4, 2014 Companion Verlie E. Deaton was presented his 60 Year Award in for membership in the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas. Right Excellent Randy Hardin, District Deputy Grand High Priest, made the presentation.



Right Illustrious Terry Flippo, Grand Principal Conductor of the Work, presented the 60 Year Award for the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Texas.



## <u>Lubbock Scottish Rite</u> <u>News</u>

On Friday afternoon April 4<sup>th</sup> and Saturday April 5<sup>th</sup> the High Plains Degree Teams participated in the Lubbock Scottish Rite Reunion.



18<sup>th</sup> Degree Team

The teams conferred the 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, and 32<sup>nd</sup> Degrees on 8 candidates



32<sup>nd</sup> Degree Team

The next reunion will be in the Fall.

## **Calendar of Events**

$1^{st}$ & $3^{rd}$ Tuesdays @ 7:30Eastern Star $1^{st}$ & $3^{rd}$ Thursday @ 7:30Unity #1242 $2^{nd}$ & $4^{th}$ Thursday @ 7:30Billy Dixon $3^{rd}$ Monday @ 7:30Borger York Rite
5-03-2014Grand Masters Conf. at Khiva Temple 2:30 pm
5-10-2014AMD @ 1:00pm in Unity Lodge in Borger
5-24-2014York Rite Conference in Floydada @ 2:00pm
5-11-2014Red Cross Banquet in Amarillo
7-14-2014Chapter & Council Installation of Officers
IN MEMORIAM
Joe T. Lee
The Masonic Year ends on 6-

The Masonic Year ends on 6-23-2014. If you have not paid your dues you will be suspended per Grand Lodge Law.

# GRAND COMMANDERY 2014

On April 25, 2014 through April 28, 2014 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 David Melear, Terry Flippo, Shawn Larsen, Bob Russell, Elijah West, Randy Hardin, Josh Strazewski, and Curt Farmer

The drill team has practiced every Sunday since January and we placed 2nd in the drill competition. We lost to the State and National Championship Team by only 2 points.

Amarillo Commandery #96 "D" Team once again captured the State Title as the State Champions. It might also be noted that the Amarillo Team is still the reigning National Champions.



From L to R Gary Freedman, Kieth Finch, Tim Benton, Mike Larsen, Albert Urbina, Dallas Alford, Judge Risley

Borger gave the Amarillo Team a little competition this year and we will be a team to contend with in the future.

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

Borger Commandery #96 and Amarillo Commandery #48 were presented with the Cross and Crown for 2013 Templar Year.



Commander Randy Hardin receives the Cross and Crown Award for Borger #96

Borger Commandery #96 also received the Civic and Patriotic Award for 2013. This is the 3rd year in a row that Borger has received the award.





Commander Randy Hardin receives the Gilbough Award for Ritual

Borger Commandery #96 received the Gilbough Plaque for Ritual. This is for work during the Annual Inspection, and Borger had not won the award for several years..

Borger Commandery #96 also participated in the Ritual Competition. We placed 7<sup>th</sup> this year but will do better.



Borger Ritual Team

Amarillo Commandery#48 also competed and place 1<sup>st</sup> in the competition.

## Unity Lodge #1242 Presents 50-Year Awards

On Saturday February 8, 2014 Unity Lodge held their annual Awards Banquet.

A number of awards were announced and presented.

#### 70 Year Awards

Mather E. Griffin

#### 65 Year Awards

Glenn Ratkin

#### 60 Year Awards

Homer L. Warren Charles J. Walje James R. Moore.....present



L to R: Kevin Flanagin DDGM, James R. Moore, and Mrs. Moore

R:W: Kevin Flanagin, District Deputy Grand Master of Masonic District #102 presented the awards.

#### 50 Year Awards

Kenneth List Floyd Holland L. W. Dowden Paul Weinstein William Reed Robert P. Green Robert W. Anderson William Vandivere Troy Fletcher.....present Jerry Chatwell......present



L to R: Mr. & Mrs Jerry Chatwell, Kevin Flanagin, Mr. & Mrs. Troy Fletcher

A total of 55 Masons and guests attend the dinner. Those members who were unable to attend were mailed their awards by the Grand Lodge of Texas.

#### 40 Year Awards

Mike Hazlett Kent Stephenson Tom Arnold Theron Franks Steve Cross Terry Flippo.....present Ken Lanham.....present Winfred Nicholas.....present



L to R: Kevin Flanagin, Ken Lanham, Winfred Nicholas, Terry Flippo

### 25 Year Awards

Elmer McElvy