

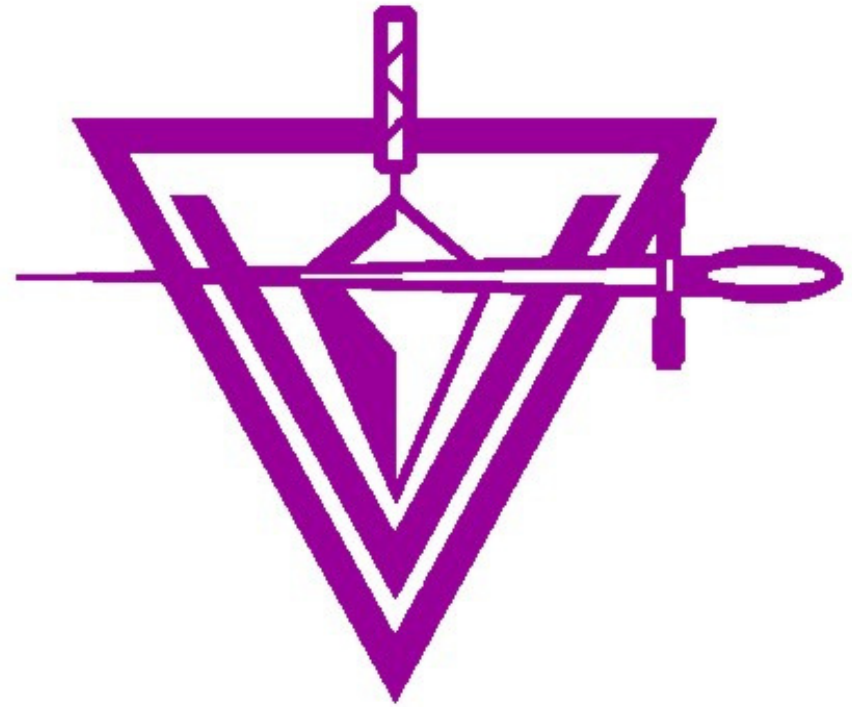
TEXAS MASONIC DAY

On Saturday October 10, 2015, the Texas Masonic Family Day was held at the Texas Masonic Retirement Center. Approximately 5000 people attended. Here are a few pictures from the event.



Borger Masonic News

**GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL &
SELECT MASTERS OF TEXAS**



Masonic News from Unity Lodge #1242, Billy Dixon Lodge #1369,
Borger York Rite Bodies, Scottish Rite, and Chapter 811 O.E.S.
November 2015

Snack Pack for Kids

Unity Lodge #1242 is assisting the Borger Schools with the Snack Pack for Kids. The program provides snacks for children who do not have enough to eat on weekends.

The program has spread all over the Texas Panhandle. It costs about \$133.00 per year per child to provide nine months of weekend food. The lodge is helping pack the Snack Packs on the second Tuesday of the month at the School Administration Building on Weatherly Street in Borger.



The lodge is also gathering money for a cash donation and we have started a peanut butter drive.

We need as many 15 oz. jars of peanut butter as possible.

If you would like to make a cash donation send your check to Unity #1242 at P. O. Box 243 Borger, Texas 79008 or bring your jars of peanut butter to the lodge.

Kettle Korn Report

On Saturday September 12, 2015 and Sunday September 13, 2015 the Masons of Hutchinson County once again manned the Kettle Korn Booth at the Aluminum Dome. We had brisk sales of Kettle Korn and Fresh Fried Pork Skins.



The Kettle Korn Sale has raised over \$15,000.00 for our Masonic Charities during the last 12 years.



A special thank you to those brethren who have worked so hard to make the Kettle Korn Sales a success.

The next sale will be November 14, 2015. We could use a little new blood to man the booth.

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

11-14 & 15-2015....Kettle Korn Sale
11-24-2015.....Red Cross of Constantine
In Amarillo @ 2:00 pm
11-26-2015.....THANKSGIVING
12-3-2015 thru 12-5-2015...Grand Lodge
@ Waco, Texas
12-12-2015.....Holiday Dinner @ Unity
Lodge @ 6:30pm
12-25-2015....MERRY CHRISTMAS
1-1-2016.....HAPPY NEW YEAR

In Memoriam

Haskell Clawson.....08-01-2015
Paul Chilton.....08-25-2015

Dues Notices

Dues notices for Unity Lodge #1242 and Borger Commandery #96 were mailed on November 5, 2015. Please pay your dues promptly to avoid being suspended.

Scottish Rite Report

On Saturday September 19, 2015, the Honors Awards for Scottish Rite Masons was held in Waco, Texas. Three of our local brethren received awards. Brother Kenneth R. Moss from the El-Paso Scottish Rite and Brother Orville Robison from the Lubbock Scottish Rite, were presented with the 33rd Degree.



Orville Robison



Kenneth R. Moss

Brother Randy L. Hardin received the 32nd Degree KCCH from the El-Paso Scottish Rite..

Congratulations to these brethren.



Randy L. Hardin

On Friday and Saturday October 23rd and 24th the Lubbock Scottish Rite held their fall reunion at the Scottish Rite Temple in Lubbock Texas. Degree Teams from Borger and Amarillo conferred the Degrees on three candidates.



26th Degree Team



32nd Degree Team



Amarillo 30th Degree Team

On October 17th and 18th 2014 the El-Paso Scottish Rite held their fall reunion in El-Paso Texas. Degrees were conferred on six candidates. Congratulations to all the new Scottish Rite Masons.

Unity Lodge #1242 needs donations of peanut butter or cash of the Snack Pak Program for Kids.

Grand Chapter and Council 2015

On Monday October 19, 2015 and Tuesday October 20, 2015 the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Texas and the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Texas held their annual communication in Waco Texas.

The panhandle of Texas received many honors. Companion W. David Melear of Amarillo Chapter #196 was elected and installed as the Most Excellent Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas.



M:E: W. David Melear, Grand High Priest
Royal Arch Chapter of Texas

Companion Terry Flippo of Borger Council #354 was elected and installed as the Most Illustrious Grand Master of The Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Texas.



M:I: Terry L. Flippo Grand Master
Royal and Select Masters of Texas

Companion David Williams of Borger Council #354 was installed as District Deputy Grand Master for Cryptic District #33.



Companion Randy Hardin of Borger Council #354 was installed as Illustrious Grand Chaplain of the Grand Council of Texas for 2016



Companion Curt Farmer was installed as the Illustrious Grand Sentinel of the Grand Council of Texas for 2016.



An esteemed Companion of Borger Chapter #437 and Borger Council #354 was presented with a surprise during the Banquet held Sunday evening. Companion Randy L. Hardin was presented with the Golden Keystone Award and the Purple Service Award. There are only two of these awards presented each year.



Most Excellent Grand High Priest Steve Wolfe presented Randy Hardin with the Golden Keystone Award.



Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council presented Randy L. Hardin with the Purple Service Award.

New York Rite Members

On Saturday September 22, 2015 the York Rite Degrees were conferred in the Amarillo York Rite Lodge. Borger had four candidates that received the Chapter and Council Degrees and the Commandery Orders.

There were a total of five candidates for the degrees. Members of the Borger and Amarillo York Rite Degree Teams conferred the degrees.



Borger Commandery Inspection

On Saturday 10-31-2015 Borger Commandery #96 held their Annual Inspection. We are the only body in Masonry that is graded annually on the conferring of a Masonic Degree. For those of you who are not York Rite Masons, the Order of the Temple Degree is one of the most beautiful degrees in Masonry.



Sir Knight Ric Jernigan, Eminent Grand Sword Bearer of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Texas was the inspecting officer. The Commandery was graded on the opening and closing of a Commandery and on the Order of the Temple Degree.



For the first time in several years, only members of Borger Commandery #96 participated in the Inspection. The Commandery is getting stronger and is able to confer the degrees without the assistance of other Commanderies. If you would like to join us, contact a member of the Borger York Rite.