

Blast From the Past



LAW ENFORCEMENT DEGREE TEAM

This Law Enforcement Degree Team conferred degrees at Adobe Walls Lodge #1355 in the 70's. We sure looked young.

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.

February 2016

Unity #1242 Celebrates Holiday Season

On Saturday December 12, 2015 the members of Unity Lodge #1242, Borger York Rite Bodies, and Eastern Star Chapter #811 gathered in the lodge dining room to celebrate the holiday season.

A traditional holiday meal of turkey and dressing with ham and all the side dishes was served.



Brother Terry Flippo opened the meeting with a blessing and then 55 Masons and guests enjoyed a fine meal together. We then enjoyed all the fine deserts prepared by the wives. Hmmm good.

Dues Notices

Dues notices for Unity Lodge #1242 and Borger Commandery #96 were mailed on November 1, 2015. Please pay your dues promptly to avoid being suspended.

Snack Pack

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.

Brethren, we need Masons to step up and help with the program. We need 15 oz jars of peanut butter and Pop-Tarts. Please help and bring your donation to the lodge.



We meet at the School Administration Building on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 3:00 pm to set up the tables so the lunch bags can be stocked.



The girls Golf Team is always there to help.

Tooth Fairy Strikes Again!!!

Once again Unity Lodge #1242 is helping with the Fantastic Teeth Program. This has turned into an annual event for the lodge.



Six Masons, 20 Teachers, and about 200 1st graders assembled at the Gateway School.



Brothers D. C. Taylor and Larry Parker assist the school nurse in presenting the Fantastic Teeth Program.

The program has been presented in Borger, Fritch, Stinnett, and Spring Creek Schools.

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

2-09-2016.....Snack Pack at the School
Admin. Building @ 3:00 pm

3-05-2016.....Kettle Korn at the Dome
3-06-2016.....Kettle Korn at the Dome

3-08-2016.....Snack Pack at the School
Admin Building @ 3:00 pm

4-2-2016....Lubbock Scottish Rite Reunion
4-8 & 4-9-2016 Scottish Rite Convocation
at San Antonio

4-12-2016.....Snack Pack at the School
Admin Building @ 3:00 pm

4-16-2016.....Grand Master's Conference
@ Amarillo at 3:00 pm

4-23-2016 to 4-25-2016....Grand
Commandery @ Abilene

In Memoriam

Bobby R. Blankenship.....11-19-2015
Lester L. Wiles Jr.....12-07-2015
James A. Litchford.....12-10-2015
Billy Gene Compton.....12-13-2015
Bobby G. Dawson.....08-22-2015

Borger Commandery Makes Donation to Helping Hands

On Monday November 2, 2015, Sir Knight Terry Flippo, Recorder of Borger Commandery #96 Randy Hardin, Past Commander of Borger Commandery #96 presented a check for \$600.00 to the Helping Hands.



Borger Commandery #96 has made this their primary fund raising event each year. The Chapeau is passed at each meeting and the Sir Knights present make a donation. At the end of the year the money collected is donated to the Helping Hands to purchase food for the needy in Hutchinson County.

The York Rite also donates a cash sum to the Rainbow Room to purchase Christmas Gifts for the children in custody of the Child Protection Services.

Scottish Rite

On Friday April 1st and Saturday April 2nd, the Lubbock Scottish Rite will have their Spring Reunion. If you would like to take the Scottish Rite Degrees contact a Scottish Rite Mason as soon as possible.

TMRC Project

A new project is being started for the Texas Masonic Retirement Center. The Companions of Borger Chapter #437 and Borger Council #354 will start collecting the shampoos, conditioners, and soaps from the motel rooms on their various trips. These items will then be donated to the TMRC General store for the residents to pick up at no charge. This will help our retired masons at no cost to them or to any member of the Chapters and Councils.

Lodge Break-in Update

As everyone knows, the lodge building was recently broke into. The Borger Police Department has recovered a few of the items but no one has been arrested for the burglary. Everything has been repaired or replaced. We are thankful that there was no more damage than there actually was.

Borger Commandery Installs Officers for 2016

On Monday 12-17-2015, the officers of Borger Commandery #96 were installed for the 2016 Templar Year. The Installing Commander was Sir Knight Randy Hardin and the Installing Marshall was Sir Knight Terry Flippo.



L to R Front Row: Will Brewer JW, Cole Tefertiller Generalissimo, Larry Chancellor Commander, Kevin Flanagan Capt. General, Earnest Lancaster SW

L to R 2nd Row: Curt Farmer, Kevin Smith, Terry Flippo Recorder, Ken Waldschmidt Warder, Orville Robison Prelate, Randy Hardin, Terry Moon Sword Bearer, Cecil Biggers Treasurer

We had an exceptional year in the Commandery for 2015. We fielded a State Championship Drill Team and also a Ritual Team. This year we Knighted four new Members and each seems interested in being active.

Floor Practices

Beginning in January, the lodge once again began holding FLOOR PRACTICES on Monday night. We are studying the opening and closing ritual plus the degrees.

Recently we have received petitions for the degrees and we are kinda rusty, plus there are a few who want to learn the ritual.

We will have the Ritual Practices on each Monday evening beginning at 7:00 pm with the exception of the 3rd Monday of the month. This is the York Rite Meeting Night.

All Masons are urged to attend and we can learn together.