

ROBERT G. DAVIS



Robert G. Davis is Executive Secretary of the Guthrie Scottish Rite Bodies in Oklahoma. He is a Past Master of three Masonic lodges, and served as the charter Master of Guildhall Lodge #553, a traditional practices lodge in Oklahoma. He is a KYCH, a 33° Mason, and recipient of the Grand Cross. He has been employed by the Scottish Rite in Oklahoma for 27 years. He is a Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Oklahoma, and serves as the Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Oklahoma Masonic Charity Foundation. He is a Past Sovereign of the Red Cross of Constantine, Past Sovereign Master of the Allied Masonic Degrees, and Past Governor of the Oklahoma York Rite College. He is the Chief Adept of the Oklahoma College of Masonic Rosicrucians.

Nationally, he is serving as the Grand Master of the Grand Council of Allied Masonic Degrees in the United States; he serves on the Education Committee of the York Rite Sovereign College of North America, the Masonic Education and Research Committee and Rituals and Ritualistic Matters Committee of the United Grand Imperial Council of the Red Cross of Constantine, and serves on the Board of Directors of the Scottish Rite Research Society. He is a past president of the Masonic Restoration Foundation and serves on the Steering Committee of the Masonic Information Center of the United States. He is past President and Fellow of the International Philaethes Society and serves as the editor of the High Council publications of Masonic Rosicrucians. He is a member of the Nine Muses Council No. 13 in Washington, D.C.

Robert is well known both in the areas of Masonic Research and Masonic Renewal. For his work in Masonic Renewal, he was awarded the Paul Horn Memorial Medal by the Grand Lodge of the State of Washington. He was the first person to receive this highest award of that state who is not a Past Grand Master. In 1999, he was selected to receive the Grand Master's Award of the Grand Lodge of Kansas (the highest honor given by that Grand Lodge) for his work in Masonic Leadership. In 2008, he received the Duane Anderson Award for Excellence in Masonic Knowledge from the Grand Lodge of Minnesota.

Davis also holds the Cross of Honor and the Legion of Honor in DeMolay and is an Honorary Member of the Supreme Council of the International Order of DeMolay.

Before moving to Guthrie, Davis served 14 years in the City Management and City Planning professions. He is past president of the Guthrie Education Foundation and the Lions Club. He

has served two terms on the City Council of the City of Guthrie, where he was Chairman of the Finance Committee and Chairman of the Guthrie Industrial Development Authority. He currently is the Chair of the city's Fee and Rate Structure Advisory Committee to the city council. In addition to being employed with the Guthrie Scottish Rite, Davis is also a freelance writer and a grant writer for governmental entities, Native American tribes, and non-profits.

He has just completed a book on the history and evolution of the American Masonic ritual entitled *The Mason's Words*, and is the author of *Understanding Manhood in America: Freemasonry's enduring Quest for the Mature Masculine*, focusing on the fraternal quest for the ideal in masculinity. Robert is married. He and his wife Sharon have two daughters and four grandchildren.