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2021-2022 GRAND COMMANDERY OF TEXAS MONTHLY MESSAGE

Greetings Sir Knights,



Happy Valentine's Day!!

Be sure and celebrate with that special someone in your life.

York Rite Festivals
2022

There are numerous York Rite Festivals occurring all around the state. Please reach out to your District Membership committee member for details on what is happening in your area. Please be on the lookout for York Rite festivals occurring in the coming months.

The festivals are great opportunities to introduce Brother Masons to our organization. This is a great time to reach out to our Lodge Brethren and inform them on who we are as Christian Masons. Our Degrees and Orders finish the story left at the Master Masons degree.

Let's assist these brothers complete their Masonic journey. Please keep updated by checking with this webpage:

<http://www.vorkritetexas.org/council/events.html>

YORK RITE
THE DEGREES OF THE YORK RITE

BODY	DEGREES
SYMBOLIC DEGREES Lodge	I° Entered Apprentice
	II° Fellow Craft
	III° Master Mason
CAPITULAR DEGREES Chapter	IV° Mark Master
	V° Past Master (virtual)
	VI° Most Excellent Master
	VII° Royal Arch
CRYPTIC DEGREES Council	VIII° Royal Master
	IX° Select Master
	IXa° Super Excellent Master
KNIGHTS DEGREES Commandery including Pories	X° Order of Red Cross
	XI° Order of Malta
	XII° Order of Kinghts Templar



The Commander's Challenge

Please don't forget about this fund raiser for our Youth Organizations. The Grand Commandery of Texas has challenged all constituent commanderies in Texas to raise \$1,000 to support both the DeMolays and the Rainbow Girls. If we achieve this goal, we would be able to donate approximately \$55,000 to invest in their youth educational programs, assist in attracting new members, retain those that they have, and help ensure that these young people finish their masonic journey by becoming Freemasons and Eastern Star. I ask each of you for your support in this endeavor.

In closing, I would like to leave you with a scripture: : *"Blessed are all who hear the word of God and put it into practice."* | Luke 11:28

Remember: Others are looking at you as a role model of what a Christian Mason should be.

Rennie Wilson Grand Commander 2021 – 2022



YORK RITE CONFERENCES 2022

York Rite Conferences are also kicking off for 2022. This is the perfect time to get to know the Leaders of the Chapter, Council and Commandery. Additionally, the Super Excellent Master's degree is being offered at the conferences so sign-up quickly to ensure a spot to receive this honorary degree.

<http://www.yorkritetexas.org/council/events.html>

YORK RITE CONFERENCE



Texas Masonic Retirement Center

As Knights Templar, we support our Masonic Charities.

The Texas Masonic Retirement Community is one of those entities.

It is operated by the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas and provides quality care to senior members of the Texas Fraternity. Please remember the TMRC in your charitable contributions.

<http://www.txmrc.org/>

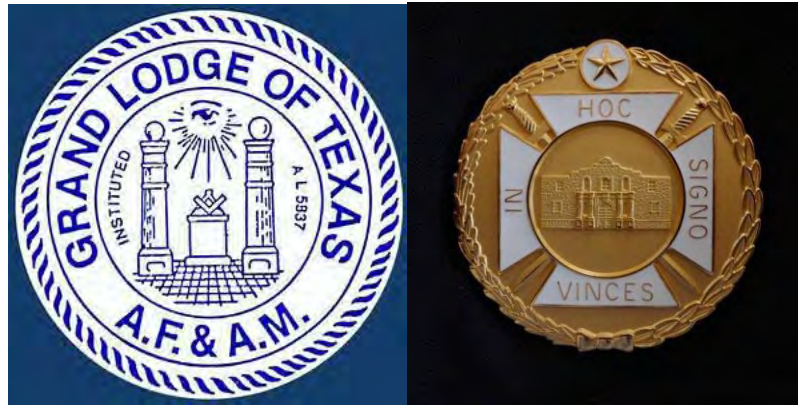
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Texas Masonic Retirement Community



Sir Knights, please continue to follow all state and local decrees regarding social distancing and other Covid related safety initiatives. With the rise in the Omicron variant, we all must do our part to keep one another safe.

We are all excited about participating in our fraternal bodies, but please remember to practice caution when applicable.



SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 2022 AT 1:30 PM
Alamo Historical Observance
300 Alamo Plaza, San Antonio, TX 78205

The Grand Lodge of Texas will have their Alamo Observance the weekend of March 4-6.
I am asking the Sir Knights of Texas to please attend this celebration.
Be sure to wear your uniform, sword, and chapeau.





Congratulation to Bradley Scott Billings for his election as Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons of Texas. The Sir Knights of Texas look forward to serving under your Masonic Leadership and wish you and your officers a productive and successful year.

Congratulation to F.E. “Skip” Smith, Jr. for his election as Most Excellent Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas and to Robert C. (Bob) Brunk for his election as Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Texas. The Grand Commandery of Texas proudly supports both organizations.



169TH GRAND

CONCLAVE



The 169th Annual Conclave of The Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Texas will convene in Waco TX, April 7-10, 2022.

The Business Session will be held on Friday, April 8, 2022

The Field Drill and Ritual Competitions and the Annual Awards Banquet will be held on Saturday, April 8, 2022.

The Memorial and Divine Service and the Installation of Officers for 2022-2023, will be held on Sunday, April 10, 2022

<http://www.yorkritetexas.org/commandery/Grand-Communication.php>