



# Arlington York Rite



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May 10, 2016

We are now about to wrap up our Chapter/Council Masonic year and are one quarter of the way through our Templar Year and time is moving quickly. This newsletter is our first attempt to try to keep you abreast of the activities in your association.

In January we held a York Rite Festival at the lodge which was very successful. The new Companions went on to receive the Orders and are now new Sir Knights.

Next month we will be holding our Chapter and Council elections as we begin looking forward to our new York Rite Masonic year. Please plan on attending to help select your new officer line.

We have conferred the Order of the Temple three times this year and are planning another conferral on the 23<sup>rd</sup> April. To date we have knighted six Sir Knights, five Sir Knights of ours and one courtesy knighting. On the 23<sup>rd</sup> will knight the Worshipful Master of Arlington Lodge, Companion Donald Riney.

We have conferred the Order of Malta and the Red Cross also with the support of other Commanderies. And we are in the process of creating Order of Malta and Red Cross teams so we have the ability to confer these orders at our discretion. Past Commanders Bob Collier and James Kirkpatrick have graciously agreed to assist in creating these valuable resources. These teams will also provide additional occasions to get together to share fellowship. It would be great to see everyone with a part in each of these orders. I encourage you to contact Sir Knights Collier and Kirkpatrick about getting involved in these.

If you were not at our last Stated Conclave you missed very vibrant meeting. Our attendance was more than normal which was great to see and we are hoping that it continues to grow. Getting our new Sir Knights involved is an important priority.

Our evening stated off with a wonderful meal courtesy of the ladies of the Social Order of the Beauceant. The ladies and wives joined the Companions and Sir Knights for the meal and they spent the evening of fellowship and dominos. Rumor has it, they had a great time.

The Commandery was opened in full form at the meeting using the new nine-man opening. It would be wonderful to have a full complement for the opening but at the moment this allows us to accomplish some of our ritual. Once our attendance reaches a level that we can sustain a larger contingent, we can review our opening procedure.

Past Commander Robert Kirk was acknowledged for his hard work during our last Templar Year. We received the Cross and Crown Award, Patriotic Award & Civic Award and the Kidd Award. Robert also received the Commander's Merit Award.

We are also working with the other Commanderies to form a Tarrant County Honor Guard that will be able to assist when we get requests for honor guards. This will be a pooled resource and all Commanderies will have Sir Knights on standby to assist with this important function.

I have been seeing some momentum within our Commandery. We have new Sir Knights, seasoned Sir Knights, and Past Commanders who are creating this environment. If you haven't been out in a while, you need to catch a meeting or two. If you are not receiving emails from us let our Recorder, PC Joe Spencer know and we will add you to our circulation list. Please send him an email to [arlyorkrite@kk5na.com](mailto:arlyorkrite@kk5na.com) we may have your email address.

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Jim Rogerson,

High Priest, Arlington #376; Thrice Illustrious Master, Arlington #314; Commander, Arlington #107



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## Upcoming Events

Mon	23-May	Order of the Temple	600p
Sat	21-May	Annual Trinity York Rite College Meeting	800a
Mon	30-May	Memorial Day	
Sat	4-Jun	Eastern Star Installation	1000a
Sat	11-Jun	Super Excellent Master's Degree	930a
Mon	13-Jun	Stated Meeting - Elections	600p

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