October 4, 2022

Dear Companion:

We hope that you are making plans to attend the Annual Grand Sessions this year and **Most Excellent Grand High Priest F.E. Skip Smith, Jr.** and **Most Illustrious Grand Master Robert C. Brunk** would like to remind you of the upcoming important dates:

1. The Grand Chapter Convocation and the Grand Council Assembly will be held Friday and Saturday December 9th and 10th, 2022.

All meetings will take place in the Lower Auditorium, Masonic Grand Lodge Memorial Temple, 715 Columbus, Ave., Waco, TX, unless otherwise designated.

- 2. A meeting of the **York Rite Colleges of Texas** will be held on Thursday morning, December 8th at 8:30 A.M. by the Grand Governor, Brian R. Dodson. The Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, the Deputy Grand Commander of Knights Templar, the Deputy Grand High Priest, and the Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Council will bring messages for the coming year.
- 3. Texas York Rite College #14 will meet on Thursday, December 8th at 10:00 A.M.
- 4. **Texas Priory No. 23, K.Y.C.H**., Conferral, Business Meeting, Election and Installation of Officers will be held on Thursday, December 8th, at 11:00 A.M.
- 5. Memorial Services will be held on Thursday afternoon, December 8th, at 2:00 P.M.
- 6. An Assembly of Robert Morriss Elgin Council No. 415, R&SM will be held on Thursday afternoon, December 8th, at 3:30 P.M.

- 7. The Annual Banquet will be held Thursday evening, December 8th, at 6:30 P.M., at Lee Lockwood Scottish Rite Library & Museum, 2801 West Waco Drive. Banquet tickets price is \$40.00. A form is enclosed for you to reserve these tickets and you are requested to please do so by November 22nd. You may pick up the tickets and pay for them in the Grand Secretary's office upon your arrival. However, if you don't expect to arrive before Thursday, December 8th, it is suggested that you please note the same on the form, enclose your remittance, and we will mail the tickets to you. Please make your checks payable to the "Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas". There will be no un-reserved tickets sold on Thursday, December 8th.
- 8. The **Ladies Luncheon** will be Friday, December 9th at 12:00 P.M. at the Waco York Rite Temple, 724 Washington Ave. Tickets are \$20.00
- 9. Ladies Event will be Friday, December 9th at 1:30 P.M. Painting with a Twist, 724 Washington Ave. Registration is online only using the following link: https://www.paintingwithatwist.com/manageevent/code/006A9A1C09279
- 10. The **Order of the Silver Trowel** and **Order of High Priesthood** will be conferred on Friday, December 9th beginning at 4:30 P.M. (All PHPs & PTIMs are eligible to receive these degrees.) Degree Fee is payable at registration downstairs.
- Tarrant Co. York Rite Assn. will host a Breakfast on Saturday, December 10th at 6:30 A.M. at George's Party Room, 1925 Speight Ave., Waco, TX. Tickets are \$15.00. Contact Hobie Henderson, Sec., 817-313-9402 or hobiwon06@gmail.com
- 12. <u>Please call the hotels directly for reservations.</u> A block of rooms is reserved at the Sleep Inn & Suites Hewitt, 254-420-3200 (\$92.00+tax) and the Ramada Hewitt 254-732-9823 (\$95.00). Mention "Grand Chapter". These hotels are both at the Sun Valley Exit 328 on IH-35 South in Hewitt, TX.
- 13. Remember to bring your **Current Dues Cards**, and your **Proxy Forms** if your Secretary-Recorder has not previously mailed them in to the Gr. Sec-Rec.'s Office.
- 14. There is a **Registration Fee** of Ten Dollars (\$10.00). Only cash or checks accepted.

Sincerely and fraternally, Kenneth E Cooler

Kenneth E. Cooley Grand Secretary-Recorder