

Duck Creek Masonic Lodge No. 1419
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From the Trestleboard

October Stated Meeting

The highlight of the October Stated meeting was our speaker, Mitch Bates, City of Garland Police Chief. He gave a very informative talk about the City of Garland Police department and its current state of affairs. He answered questions for quite a while.

November Stated Meeting

We had the Eastern Star in to speak with us. Worthy Matron Linda Turner spoke on behalf of local Eastern Star Chapter 156 and District Officer Linda Puckett spoke, representing the Grand Eastern Star. Also present from the Eastern Star were Worthy Patron Jim Turner, Nadine Cherry, Robert and Beverly Cox, Barbara Haverson, Jenny Moss, Helen Garner and Anita Fainer. We gave two 25-Year Pins, one each to Bro. Mike Marlar and Bro. Terry Blair. Brothers Allen Morris, John Simmons, Cliff Martin, Don Smith and Keith Stephens from East Fork No. 650 in Wylie, came out and spoke to the Lodge about their efforts and successes in getting tax exempt status granted the East Fork by their local taxing authorities.

Garland Parade of Lights

Numerous brethren and their families participated in the Garland Parade of Lights. We had a float, courtesy of Senior Warden Chuck French and his team of highly artistic and creative elvish brothers. We have plans to do it again next year, so get your thinking caps on for our next float idea.

Garland Scottish Rite Blood Drive

Numerous brethren participated in the annual Town East Mall blood drive again this year. They collected a over 100 units of blood – another success.

Grand Lodge Annual Communication

The big news from this years Annual Communication is that your Secretary, **Brother Herbert D. Cook is now the District Deputy Grand Master of Masonic District No. 14C of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas.** The members of the Grand Lodge also changed the age of membership to petition for membership to 18 years of age.

Duck Creek Lodge Bylaws Approved

During this last Grand Lodge Annual Communication, Duck Creek Lodge's Bylaws were submitted and approved. We now have an up-to-date set of bylaws for the first time in a number of years. If you want a copy, please drop a line to Herb at 214-675-6407 or send an e-mail to secretary@duckcreek1419.org, and a pdf version of the Bylaws will be sent to you.

1st Spring Fund Raiser

The Brethren agreed to start work on the First Annual Spring Scholarship Fund Raiser and Blood Drive. This is scheduled for April 28, 2007. The fund raiser will consist of a Garage Sale and a Silent Auction. We will also be selling snacks and drinks. The garage sale will start at 7:00am and be over at about 2:00PM or so. The Blood Drive, benefiting the Scottish Rite Hospital, will begin at 8:00am and run through about 1:00pm. The Silent Auction will start at 8:00am and will be over at 2:00pm. All of the proceeds will go to benefit the Duck Creek Lodge Scholarship Fund.

We will need a good turnout of Lodge Brethren to volunteer and make this fund raiser a success. We not only need you to come out and help, but we also need good, salable garage sale items AND good, valuable Silent Auction items. These items can be not only items of value but also donated time and/or professional services.

April Stated Meeting

Come on out to the April Stated Meeting and support our Scholarship Winners. They will be joining us for dinner and presenting their papers that night.

2007 2nd Annual School Supply Drive

In May we will begin collecting school supplies and donations for this upcoming school year to benefit the underprivileged elementary school children of GISD. More to follow on the Duck Creek Lodge [web site](#).

Secretaries Corner

Herb again reminds everyone that if you have an address or phone change, please contact Bro. Herb at 214-675-6407 or by e-mailing him at secretary@duckcreek1419.org. If you have an e-mail address and would like to be included in our periodic announcement list, please get that to him as well. He also reminds everyone that your annual dues are due on or before December 31. If you have not paid your dues by now, you are in arrears.

Sickness and Distress

Brother Festus Bryan passed on to the Heavenly Lodge Above on November 13, 2006, Brother William Dunn passed on January 18, 2007 and Brother James Alford Everett passed on January 23, 2007. Please keep the families of these Brothers in your Prayers.

Brethren, if you know of anyone in need of prayers or a call, please contact Past Master Bill Borne at 214-878-4888 or W:M: Bob Keltner at 469-576-1274.

NEXT STATED MEETING, MONDAY April 9, 2007 at 7:00pm