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Susan Komen

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# El Paso H.R.A.M

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## 2014 Grand Visitation by: Emanuel Tucker

On May 23rd-24th the Most **Excellent Grand High Priest** (MEPHGHP) of TX Willie J. Tate and his entourage came to El Paso, TX for his annual visit. The Deputy Grand High Priest presided over the meeting on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and provided more guidance in regards to the states King contest, opening/closing ceremonies, and scholarship applicants to the General Grand Conference of Grand Chapters. The following day's events consisted of hosting the annual youth inspirational day. MEPHGHP Tate presided over the event and provided guidance to the youth (con't on page 20)



## High Priest Column by Emanuel Tucker

The last three months has been very busy and sometimes it seemed as though we were going to sink. With God's grace and guidance we were able to over achieve and accomplish everything we had set out to do. The last quarter we were able

to celebrate Zerubbabel
Day, conduct multiple
fundraisers, presented
the Optimist Club President an award, gave a
donation to the 915 Red
Sox, and assisted with
the Mother's Day Basket
raffle. We have been
faced with challenges

but we understand that nothing comes easy and every obstacle that is overcome only makes us stronger. The upcoming quarter we will host our Annual PHAmily and Friends cookout, Royal Arch Banquet, and prepare (con't on page 20)

## Get to Know Your Excellent King by: Emanuel Tucker



Companion Carl E. Miller was born June 28, 1981 in Shawnee,

OK. He graduated from **Bowlegs High** School in May of 1999 and he joined the US Army in September of 1999 as an Infantryman. Companion Miller has deployed to numerous combat zones multiple times to include 4 times to Iraq, once to Afghanistan and once to Kosovo.

Companion Miller is married to Chavla beautiful children, Leilah age 10, Jayson age age 2. Companion Miller became a Master Mason on November 12. 2010 in Sunset Lodge #76, and he became a son April 27, 2012.

Companion Miller graduated the newly organized Texas Prince Hall University held by the

Most Worshipful Prince Hall of Texas

He has held the elected position of Bowlegs, OK in Excellent Scribe and currently holds the elected position of Excellent King. While being a member of the chapter his efforts have greatly contributed to the King Contest while assisting in PHAmily and Friends events, Alzheimer's walk, Child Cancer, Community Thanksgiving and Christmas Dinners and Breast Cancer walks.

> Companion Miller upholds his duties and obligations as a Master Mason and Royal Arch Mason.

His love of knowledge keeps him always reading and studying for self fulfillment and the betterment of the Order. Companion Miller's love and dedication to Masonry is directly attributed to the Brothers Miller and has 3 that came before him and taught him how to be a True Mason.

Companion Miller continues to 6, and Brooklyn learn and grow in masonry and will be a great leader at the district and state level one day. Companion Miller currently holds membership in Demolay Commandery #22, Rio Grande Consistory #24, and Oro Temple #9.

Due to his excellent performance, Royal Arch Ma- in the military, he was also selected to hold an instructor position at Ft. Rucker Alabama. His position is currently being filled by the Appointed King Dax Thomas.

## Zerubbabel Day

by Emanuel Tucker



On Sunday, April 27, 2014 El Paso Holy Royal Arch Masons Chapter No. 90 celebrated Zerubbabel Day at New Beginning Missionary Baptist
Church in El
Paso, TX.
Zerubbabel is
one of the most
influential indi-

viduals that's included in the building of the second temple. This particular day is a celebration in his memory but we as Royal Arch Masons look at the example Zerubbabel set by following Gods word and obeying his commandments. This shouldn't be a yearly celebration but we should follow in Zerubbabel footsteps and set the example, as he did, in our lifetime.

## Mary Kay Raffle by Emanuel Tucker

In the month of April El Paso Holy Royal Arch partnered with Sister Sandra Alexander to host a raffle for Mothers Day baskets. Sister Alexander is a Mary Kay sales representative and she did a wonderful job being

creative with her designs and ideas about the raffle. The winners for two of the baskets were our very own Mrs.

Bryd and Mrs. Maggitt. If anyone is interested in Mary Kay products please contact Sister Alexander.





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## Race for the Cure

by Emanuel Tucker

On March 2 El Paso Holy Royal Arch participated in the annual Susan Komen race for the cure. The event was filled many different people from all walks of life that have experienced the tragedy of dealing with breast cancer. Cancer is a disease that has also impacted many of our

Companions leading to the motivation for us to stand behind this cause. This will continue to be one of our annual events until the awful disease has a cure.



Fish Fry Fundraiser by Duwan Mason

"The money raised will be used to support our many community scholarship assistance

events and our

program. "

On March 22, 2014, El Paso Holy Royal Arch Masons Chapter No. 90 held its annual fish fry in El Paso, TX at the Northgate Optimist Club. The fish fry was highly successful feeding over 450 people. The money raised will be used to support our many community events and our scholarship as-

sistance program. The day before the fish fry event our Most Excellent Grand High Priest Willie J. Tate came for a surprise visit during our Chapter meeting so we had no choice but to put him to work during the fish fry, he did an all right job (smiling). This event was highly successful

because of all the great help from the Companions, brothers, sisters, family members, the community, and Northgate Optimist Club. It is truly amazing how much support we receive from everyone. Unity is the key to success.





# El Paso Chapter #90 Holy Royal Arch Masons

# Request Your Attendance At our

### 3rd Annual Appreciation Banquet

Saturday September 20, 2014. 7:00 pm

### For Tickets information see

Mr. Smith @ 757-232-7454

Mr. Roberts @ 915-346-3162

Mr. Mason @ 915-588-3560

### Location

The Northgate Optimist Club

4201 Skyline Avenue

El Paso, TX 79904

Donation: \$25.00; Children 12yrs and under \$12.50

## Mothers Day Card Delivery by Emanuel Tucker

During the first week of May Companions from El Paso Holy Royal Arch delivered Mothers Day cards to all the widows from the Chapter.

This was a great experience because many of our young Companions do consider these women to be a mother figure. We do not have any Companion on

roles that was born and raised in El Paso so to have a mother figure within the city is truly humbling.

We would like to thank all of these women for the continued support and let them know that their husbands contribution to Masonry will never be forgotten. Events such as these that take place will not include photos because of the emotional impact that something as small as a card can make on a person.

We would also like to thank our Grand Chapter for taking time out to send letters and gifts to our widows. Your contributions do not go unnoticed.

## 915 Red Sox Donation by Emanuel Tucker

On March 22 El Paso Holy Royal Arch made a donation to the 915 Red Sox baseball team. These contributions were started by PHP Franck Bonhomme and in his name we will

continue to service this athletic department along with it's teams. The contributions go towards travel for games, uniforms, registration, gear, and other things the team may need. Thse coaches take their personal time to work with the youth in the community and that is something that should be recognized.

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Are you looking for something to full fill your life at the same time assist in the community and give back?

Victory Warriors After School Academy is looking for Volunteers to assist with the following:

\*Tutors for middle and high school children

\*Administer PT

\*Computer savvy helpers

If you have any skills you can offer to assist these kids We would be happy to have you!

In 1993 Victory Warriors Drill and Dance began activities for youth who lived in Northeast El Paso. The focus of the program shifted in 1997 to include an after school academy for youth 6-17. The after-school youth are from eleven schools, two school districts, private schools and four zip codes. Victory Warriors Drill Academy is a non-profit community based after-school academy.

Contact Lisa Lee @ 915-241-6046

## Donation to the Northgate Optimist Club by: Emanuel Tucker

Mission, Vision and Purposes of Optimist International are listed as

Mission: By providing hope and positive vision, Optimists bring out the best in kids.

Vision: Optimist International will be recognized worldwide as the premier volunteer organization that values all children and helps them develop to their full potential.

Purposes: To develop optimism as a philosophy of life utilizing the tenets of the Optimist Creed; to promote an active interest in good government and civic affairs; to inspire respect for the law; to promote patriotism and work for international accord and friendship among all people; to aid and encourage the development of youth, in the belief that the giving of one's self in service to others will advance the well-being of humankind, community life and the world.

These core concepts that Royal Arch Masons share with the Optimist club enables us to work together as a group to make the city of El Paso a better place to live. In further proof of that strong bond between the two organizations, El Paso Holy Royal Arch donated \$1,500 to the Northgate Optimist Club on April 4, 2014. We will continue in our efforts to show support for this group in hopes that our youth will be prosperous in the future.



# Photos of the Quarter



## Award for Paul Maggitt by Emanuel Tucker



During the York Rite weekend 2014 Paul Maggitt was given an award by The Most Excellent Grand High Priest for the State of Texas Willie Tate. Mr. Maggitt was not able to be in attendance so RAC 90 accepted the award for him.

Mr. Maggitt has been one of the major supporters for Masonry in El Paso. He is the President of the Optimist Club and often gives the Masonic Family assistance and resources when needed. He continually goes above and beyond to ensure events such as the Royal Arch Banquet, Christmas and Thanksgiving Dinners, PHAmily and Friends cookout, and fundrais-

ers are supported and have proper billeting.

He has provided an unwavering commitment to our chapter and due to his leadership many others members of Optimist Club provide support as well. We will continue to work with Mr. Maggitt and the Northgate Optimist club in order to provide assistance and guidance to the youth here in El Paso.

# Phamily and Friends T-Shirt (2014) El Paso

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# 6<sup>th</sup> Annual



# Cookout 2014

Please contact Dax Thomas or Curtis Smith for T-Shirt orders thomaspha53@gmail.com coolc95@yahoo.com

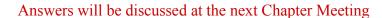
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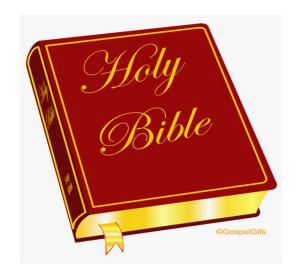


## **Question and Answer:**

#### **Ouestions From The Bible**

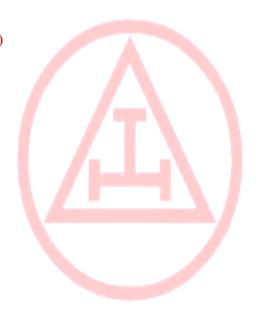
- 1. What city was Jesus born in?
- 2. Who built the Ark of the Covenant?
- 3. Why did Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego get thrown into a furnace?
- 4. Where did Jesus meet Peter?
- 5. Where was Paul the Apostle imprisoned?
- 6. Who is King Solomon's mother?





## El Paso Holy Royal Arch Officers

Excellent High Priest— Emanuel Tucker
Excellent King— Carl Miller/ (Dax Thomas appointed)
Excellent Scribe— Curtis Smith
Secretary— PHP Duwan Mason
Treasurer— Hersey Roberts
Sentinel— Quentin Hatcher
Captain of the Host— Dax Thomas
Principle Sojourner— Amos McClunney
Royal Arch Captain— Renaldo Culpepper
Master of the Third Veil— Shawn White
Master of the Second Veil— Fred Mercherson
Master of the First Veil— Kevin Wright



## State of the Chapter Address by Emanuel Tucker

Subject: State of the Chapter Address for El Paso Holy Royal Arch Chapter #90

To: Excellent King, Scribe, Past High Priest, and Members of El Paso Holy Royal Arch Chapter #90

First giving honor to the Lord, Jesus Christ and all great things that he has bestowed upon us. God has truly been good to us and will only continue to bless us more if we continue to put him first and know that all things that we done are done in his honor and not our own. Below is a list of events that we planned for this calendar year and so far we are track to complete all tasks that we set out to do. The list began as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Events Date

Thanksgiving Dinner for Families (Free of Charge)	23 November 2013
Widows Christmas Gift Delivery	15 December 2013
Christmas Party and Toy Giveaway	21 December 2013
Children Hospital Visit	16 January 2013
Children's Home Visit and Can Good Delivery	6 February 2013

Foster Care Youth Graduation Sponsorship Program	New Mexico Grand Convocation Visit and Fellow- ship
Multiple Fish Fry Fundraisers	Child Cancer Walk
El Paso HRAM Annual Banquet	Susan Komen Cancer Walk
Gracia Divina Ministry Supply Donation	Horizon Heat, Horizon Dodger, and Fierce All-Star Donations
PHAmily and Friends Cookout	Alzheimer's Walk
Juneteenth Assistance	Trunk or Treat Assistance
Serve Breakfast to needy at Salvation Army	Widows assistance at home for Cleaning
Denim and Pink Assistance	Cup of Joe Donations to Soldiers

**Accomplishments:** So far we have completed the Susan Komen walk, Alzheimer's walk, Baseball team donations, multiple children's home visits, free Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners, Christmas Toy giveaway, and we are in the process of celebrating Zerubbabel Day and PHAmily and Friends. Let's continue to be motivated to conduct our masonic duty which consists of charity to our local community.

Areas of improvement (charity): We need to enlist more Companions to take charge and lead the way. I understand we have elected officers but any Companion can take on an assignment and be the chairperson for that committee. Do not be afraid to make mistakes. The only thing I ask is that if you start a project, please finish it. We had a problem in the past with a Companion taking on a project in open chapter and failing to see things through. When this happens the chapter is placed in a position to be embarrassed amongst members of this community. Please do not shy away from anything. Even though we have accomplished a lot there is still much more to do.

**Finance:** Our finances have improved greatly over the past 6 months. We have opened a money market account which will enable us to gain a higher percentage of interest while allowing us to deposit more money in the future. We are in the process of receiving corporate sponsorship and in the process of submitting a 501c3 for this organization. Again, if you are not involved, please jump on board because only 2 or 3 members will not be able to carry the load forever.

**Areas of Improvement (finance):** Even though we have done a great job growing money, we need more Companions to be involved. Masonry isn't just about money but we understand that money is the tool which enables us to give to the community. We must be smart managers of our funds and accountability lays with us all, not just the elected officers. Therefore, it is all of our responsibilities to support fundraisers, provide input of finance reports, and stay abreast and kept accountability of funds; this is why

## Address cont'

**Newsletter:** Team we have the best newsletter of any organization in masonry. This newsletter not only provides information to local members but members that are no longer living in El Paso. It is important that we keep our membership informed of all things that are going on. Most of our members are affiliated with the military so there is no guarantee that any of these individuals will reside in El Paso for forever. All dues card carrying members should be included and passed information and not just contacted once a year when it is time for dues. This newsletter has encouraged other organizations to step up and create one of their own so it has been a sense of inspiration as well.

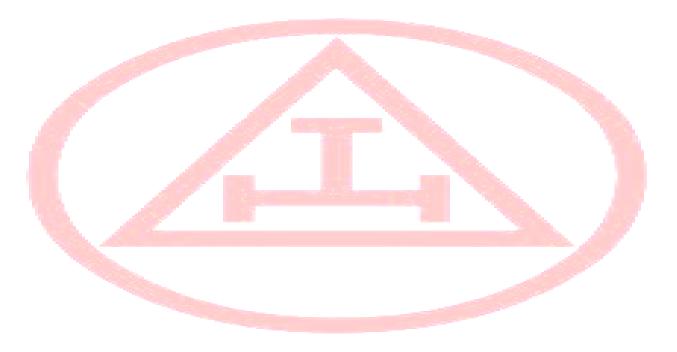
Areas of Improvement (Newsletter): There is much information that needs to be captured on our quarterly newsletter. I asked for a committee but I have yet to receive volunteers. Companions, the chapter works great when everyone participates. I do not wish to lose any members but just think about what would happen to our chapter if some of our key members would decide to "take a masonic' break. Would we continue to have a newsletter, would we have fundraisers, charity events, etc...If the answer is no then we all need to step up and take our slice of the pie and incorporate new ideas and lead. I am a firm believer that masonry works best when many lead instead of a few. This newsletter committee needs to grow and if you are interested please get with me.

Overall: Companions we have done great things!! Let's continue with the hard-work and remember that Royal Arch Masonry is about the "Great I am", not me or anyone else. We must conduct ourselves in accordance with the scripture from the Holy Bible and our obligations taken. Just think, why is it so difficult for Royal Arch around the globe to be recognized? Mainly, because we operate on a set of morals and beliefs that encompasses the entire bible! Royal Arch Masonry is not for everyone and the only way we can be successful is if we do things in accordance with the laws that have been provided. We are successful because we follow our by-laws and do not condone fascist thinking; we are successful because we follow the Holy Bible and do not self-promote, we are successful because we stick together and are not willing to compromise our integrity with the reward of "gaining a seat". Ecclesiastes 4:12 states that, "And if one prevail against him, two shall withstand him; and a threefold cord is not quickly broken."

Companions remember this and also stand together for right...great job and let's continue to stick together as one!!

Point of Contact for this Report is Emanuel Tucker at (915)356-0530 or tuckere59@yahoo.com

CP Emanuel Tucker Excellent High Priest El Paso R.A.M #90 3X3



#### **Schedule of Events**

- } June 15- Father's Day
- June 27 (Meeting)- Regular Scheduled meeting for El Paso H.R.A.M Ch. 90
- June 28– PHAmily and Friends cookout
- } July 4- Independence Day
- July 25 (Meeting)- Regular Scheduled meeting for El Paso H.R.A.M Ch. 90
- } August 9- Fish fry fundraiser
- September 14– Prince Hall Americanism Day
- September 20- Royal Arch Banquet
- September 26 (Meeting)- Regular Scheduled meeting for El Paso H.R.A.M Ch. 90
- } September 27- Alzheimer's Walk

## **JUNE** 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
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8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	
29	30						

## Grand Chapter Officers

Most Excellent Grand High Priest: Willie J. Tate

Deputy GHP: George S. Jeffers
RE Grand King: Bernard Samuel
RE Grand Scribe: Michael Berry
RE Grand Secretary: Jerry Hampton
RE Grand Treasurer: Frank B. Glover Sr.
RE Grand Lecturer: Andre McGaughey
RE Grand Chaplain: Michael King

RE Grand Capt. Of the Host: William Johnson RE Grand Royal Arch Captain: William Paige

**RE Grand Master of the Third Veil:** Benjamin Burelson **RE Grand Master of the Second Veil:** Jimmie Gee

**RE Grand Master of the First Veil:** Weldon L. Farmer Jr.

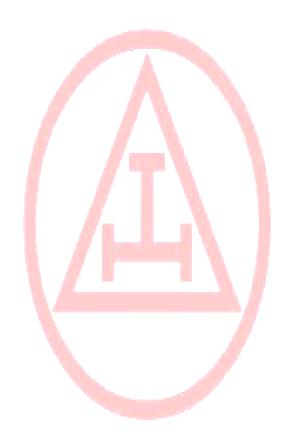
**RE Grand Ceremonial Master:** Jerry Brown **RE Grand Marshall:** Duwan M. Mason, Sr.

RE Grand Historian: Stacy Foushee
RE Grand Aid-de-camp: Costrama Willis
RE Grand Sentinel: Raymond Keys

RE Assistant Grand Chaplain: John Butler

**RE Grand Captain Principle Sojourner:** Carl Hilstock

RE Grand Recording Secretary: vacant



## Royal Arch Information Sheet

Please fill out the sheet below and mail in when sending your dues. We want to ensure we have the most current information on our members.

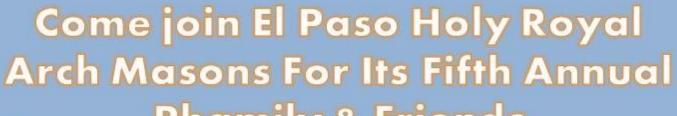


El Paso Holy Royal Arch #90

**Texas Jurisdiction** 

#### **PERSONAL DATA SHEET**

NAME:				
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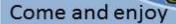
Phamily & Friends
BBQ

**El Paso Masonic PHAmily** 

Saturday, June 28, 2014 Biggs field Water Park El Paso, TX 79916

Time: 1200 noon-6:00pm \$10.00 Donation Per Family

No alcoholic beverages allowed



Good food and good people.

Chicken, ribs, Hamburger, hotdogs, fried fish, etc, Jumping Balloons, sports, and games, Prizes, etc,



Food will be blessed and served from 1:00pm-3:30pm





#### Important Web pages:

Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Texas: <a href="http://www.mwphglotx.org/">http://www.mwphglotx.org/</a>

District 25: <a href="http://www.masonicdistrict25.org/">http://www.masonicdistrict25.org/</a> index.html

Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of New Mexico: <a href="http://www.mwphglnm.org/">http://www.mwphglnm.org/</a>

Most Excellent Prince Hall Grand Chapter of Texas: <a href="http://www.mephgcoftexas.org/">http://www.mephgcoftexas.org/</a>

Also, please visit Most Excellent Prince Hall Grand Chapter Holy Royal Arch Masons of Texas on Face book.

#### Philippians 4: 1-10:

Therefore, my beloved and longed-for brethren, my joy and crown, so stand fast in the Lord, beloved. I implore Euodia and I implore Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. And I urge you also, true companion, help these women who labored with me in the gospel, with Clement also, and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the Book of Life. Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice! Let your gentleness be known to all men. The Lord is at hand. Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; <sup>7</sup> and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things. The things which you learned and received and heard and saw in me, these do, and the God of peace will be with you. But I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at last your care for me has flourished again; though you surely did care, but you lacked opportunity

### Visitation (cont'd)

and young parents about education, life expectations, scholarships, and various programs that assist young people in accomplishing goals.

MEPHGGHP Tate enlisted the assistance of Deputy Grand High Priest **Jeffers**, PHP **Jimmy Gee** of Mount Sinai #42 of Killeen, TX, Illustrious Potentate **Michael Hall** of Oro Temple No. 9 (EL Paso), Illustrious Commander in Chief **Mack Vereen** of Rio Grande Consistory No. 24 (El Paso), Eminent Commander/Grand King **Bernard Samuel** of DeMolay Commandery No. 22 (El Paso), and PHP **Duwan M. MasonSr.**, El Paso HRAM #90 (El Paso). This event will continue to take place and next year we hope to grow the audience and diversity in order to provide a wider prospective on life.



## High Priest Column (cont'd)

prepare ourselves for the upcoming elections. Companions you will be faced with critics and others trying to bring disharmony amongst us. Do not get discouraged the actions of these people and keep in my mind that out masonic duties have provided inspiration to those out in the community.

Our contribution to the city of El Paso will provide the motivation and keep us focus for years to come. The Grand High Priest has visited many other Grand Chapters around the United States and everyone is inquiring about our chapter, RAC #90. We have even reinstated members that are out state due to the publicity that we are receiving. Do not get wrapped up in the moment and remember that everything we do is done in accordance with God's will and pleasure. Continue to conduct yourselves as Royal Arch Masons and we will only get better.