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## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

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## York Rite Weekend by: Emanuel Tucker



lustrious event which lasted until 1200 PM February 3, 2012. All Prince Hall Affiliated Royal Arch Chapters were represented in the State of Texas by their local High Priest and Officers. The

The Grand Chapter describes itself as an “organization that advances the moral and social interests of its membership; to cultivate the exercise of charity in its best and broadest sense; to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and bind the wounds of the afflicted; to assist the Widows and Orphans of its deceased Companions; to stimulate friendship, (cont’d on page 8)

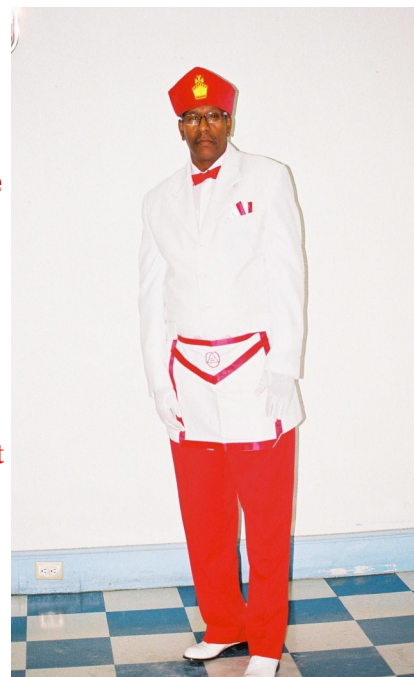
On February 2, 2012 the 131<sup>st</sup> Grand Convocation occurred in Dallas Texas at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. Most Excellent Grand High Priest (MEGHP) Willie Tate presided over the il-

event began with Mystic Tie Chapter Number 3 opening the Grand Chapter. Soon after the opening all the Elected Grand Chapter Officers entered the Convocation and the MEGHP took command.

## High Priest Column by Franck Bonhomme

Companions, this year we plan on improving our chapter by growing with members, raising funds and committing ourselves to charity. In order for that to happen I need to see all of the members of Royal Arch Chapter #90 in the

meeting. Furthermore, I would like to invite all Companions to 713 Medina at 1630 on March 17, my home, to hear any input (con’t on page 5)



## Walk/Run for the Cure by Amos McCluney

I would like give honor and glory to GAOTU, father and creator of all. I pray that he has continued to bless you all with knowledge and understanding.

On Sunday, 19 February 2012, the Holy Royal Arch Masonic Chapter No. 90 (PHA) Conducted it first event for the year; a charity/

fundraiser for the Susan G. Komen race for the Cure. Our goal was to participate, help promote breast cancer awareness within the community and raise money to go towards the Cure.

I must say we were successful in this endeavor, we had a team of 16,

comprising of Chapter members, family and friends. Through this combined effort we were able raise \$ 450 to go towards the Cure. I would like to thank the Chapter for their support and participation in this event; we received many praise worthy comments from within the community. (con't on page 5)

## High Priest of the Year by Emanuel Tucker

In the Melchizedek Priesthood the High Priest has many responsibilities as Aaronic Priesthood holders. Those responsibilities include, but not limited to; Personal Conversion Home and Family Relations, Family History and Temple Work, Welfare Services, Missionary Work and

Home Teaching. Our Masonic High Priest are charged with similar responsibilities. In El Paso, our Excellent High Priest, Franck Bonhomme has exhibited those qualities and set the standard for Royal Arch Masonry. He has been lauded for his efforts to teach Royal Arch Ma-

sonry, conduct charity and grow his Chapter. For all of his hard work the MEGHP of Texas, Willie Tate, awarded him the High Priest of the Year Award for 2011. We are all very proud of him and thankful that he is the High Priest for Chapter 90.

## Social Media by Emanuel Tucker

Social Media took the World by Storm in the new Millennium. MySpace was by far one of the most successful but has since been by-passed with Twitter and Facebook. The Grand Master and other leaders have expressed their views on the social network so let's ensure we conduct ourselves ac-

cordingly. Whether it's your occupation, family or Masonic family we must always remember that the information posted will remain visible for a long period of time, if not forever. The solution to this "Social Media Problem" is very simple. Do not post messages while frustrated or upset, think heavily about

photos before posting and protect sensitive information about yourself when updating your profile. If you are not aware the Most Excellent Prince Hall Grand Chapter has a Facebook profile. Please support the Grand Chapter with its effort.

# Honorary Past Grand Master Sparks by Emanuel Tucker

When we use the term honorary it could apply to various things such as honorary degrees from a University or honorary alliances with organizations or nations. These honorary titles are granted when the individual being honored has distinguished himself from others

and made valued contributions to society.

Wilson Sparks have done that in Royal Arch Masonry and in the summer of 2011 he was given the distinct title of Honorary Past Grand High Priest for Texas Jurisdiction PHA. The standard in which he has

held himself to exemplifies Royal Arch Masonry and gives young Master Masons a true role model in our fraternity. Without men like Wilson Sparks Royal Arch Masonry may not exist in the city of El Paso and for that reason alone we are deeply indebted to him.



# Walk/Run for the Cure (cont'd)

I would like to take this time to thank each one of you for your support in this event and look for-

ward to doing this event again next year. In addition I would like thank Excellent High Priest Bonhomme for giving

me the opportunity as well PHP Mason for the assistance and motivation to move forward with this event.



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## High Priest (cont'd)

and all things that are on the minds of our companions. The main focus would be to discuss Royal Arch Masonry in El Paso and I will also take questions from all regarding any confusion

there is. The BBQ is for you!! I cannot run the chapter alone, so please attend. We want all of our companions to grow in knowledge and be ready to answer the call when asked to lead. For

all who are interested El Paso chapter meet every 4<sup>th</sup> Friday at 1930 at 1808 Hunter Drive.

# Gracia Divina Ministries by Emanuel Tucker

On 7 February 7, 2012 the El Paso Holy Royal Arch Masons visited a representative, Ms. Bianca Ceijas, of Gracia Divina Ministries. The Chapter donated children's books, stuffed animals and school supplies which the ministry will distribute to kids in El Paso and Juarez. Bro Donte Burney, member of Pride of the West #53,

donated many of the supplies and heavily influenced the success of the Chapters latest endeavor. The High Priest has all the contact for the ministries if anyone is interested in attending services, assisting in charity or instructing. The Chapter has many plans in the future and if anyone has ideas for fund raisers or charity please con-

tact the Excellent Scribe, Amos McCluney or the Secretary, Duwane Mason.



# Desk of the Secretary by Duwane Mason

Greeting Companions, I hope and pray that your families are doing well, as the Great I am will always watch over us all. I have been elected as your secretary for this ensuing year. The Excellent High Priest has did a great job making sure his books were in order, so it was easy to transition in to the seat. Companion's your dues and relief are due for this 2012. Please send your dues to P.O.Box 16003, El Paso, TX 79906. I can be contacted at [eastwardbound76@cs.com](mailto:eastwardbound76@cs.com) or by phone 915-588-3560 for additional information.

We started the year by attending the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual York Rite Weekend in Dallas, TX on February 2-5, 2012. Our MEGHP Willie J. Tate put on a Grand Show as always, we had a great time. Our Excellent High Priest Franck Bonhomme received the Excellent High Priest of the Year award. Our Chapter has set the bar on achievements in Holy

Royal Arch Masons in TX. In the past five years we have received two Excellent High Priest of the year awards and a Chapter of the year award.

Also in February we had a Companion's family that was in need of emergency assistance, the members of the El Paso Chapter move fast in gathering members of our PHamily and friends in the community and raised nearly \$1,000 in two days, and a truck load of groceries. It was an emotional situation for all that was involved especially the Companion's family. His mother who is a minister in Florida was amazed by all the support she witnessed, and stated that she feels comfortable knowing that her son and family has us as a extended family. The room was filled with emotions.

Early March our Chapter was called again for assistance from a widower of Companion James Young, she requested assistance from Our Chapter to support a brisket dinner plate sale, in which 100% of the proceeds would go to her to help with financial woes after our Companion departed. The dinner was a success, and many that could not attend made a financial pledge to assist.



**Schedule of Events**

- } March 1-31 (Bake Sale)- Please contact the High Priest for information regarding the menu
- } March 17 (Cookout)- Cookout for El Paso H.R.A.M Ch. 90 at 713 Medina Street
- } March 23 (Meeting)- Regular Scheduled meeting for El Paso H.R.A.M Ch. 90
- } April 27 (Meeting)- Regular Scheduled meeting for El Paso H.R.A.M Ch. 90
- } May 25 (Meeting)- Regular Scheduled meeting for El Paso H.R.A.M Ch. 90
- } Softball Team Charity– TBD
- } Lee and Beulah Moore Charity – TBD
- } PHAmily and Friends– TBD

**MARCH 2012**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

**Grand Election Results**

**Most Excellent Grand High Priest:** Willie J. Tate

**Deputy GHP:** George S. Jeffers

**RE Grand King:** Bernard Samuel

**RE Grand Scribe:** Clary E. Glover, Jr.

**RE Grand Secretary:** Charles E. Walker

**RE Grand Treasury:** Frank B. Glover Sr.

**RE Grand Lecturer:** Leon Roberts

**RE Grand Recorder:** Jerry Hampton

**RE Grand Sentinel:** Raymond Keys III

**RE Grand Chaplain:** D. Michael Jones

**RE Grand Capt. Of the Host:** Michael Berry

**RE Grand Royal Arch Captain:** Melvin T. Williams

**RE Grand Master of the Third Veil:** William E. Pitre

**RE Grand Master of the Second Veil:** Harrison Gregg Jr.

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

**RE Grand Ceremonial Master:** Michael Levingston

**RE Grand Marshall:** Duwan M. Mason, Sr.

**RE Grand Historian:** Stacy Foushee

**RE Grand Aid-de-camp:** Patrosky Thomas

## Important Web pages:

Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Texas:

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

District 25: <http://www.masonicdistrict25.org/index.html>

Pride of the West Lodge #53:  
<http://prideofthewest53.ning.com/>

Sunset Lodge #76: <http://www.sunsetlodge76.org/>



harmony and brotherly love and generally, to promote in its own way, the happiness of mankind.” The character of the organization was displayed during the session and the MEGHP, along with his Officers, made strong emphasis about qualities of Royal Arch Masons. As an organization we strive to better ourselves as Men and make this Masonic Chapter grow with knowledge and leadership qualities in the year 2012.

## *I Corinthians 13 verse 1-8*

*Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal.*

*And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing.*

*And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing.*

*Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up,*

*Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil;*

*Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth;*

*Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.*

*Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away.*

## York Rite Weekend (cont'd)

