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For all things are for your sakes, that the abundant grace might through the thanksgiving of many redound to the glory of God." 2 Corinthians 4:15

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2017 Thanksgiving Dinner by: Duwan Mason

On Saturday, November 18th El Paso Holy Royal Arch Masons #90, Northgate Optimist Club, many local non profit organizations, family, friends and members of the El Paso community celebrated our Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner. There were many people in attendance. We also made plates to go and had them delivered to people of our community who could not attend due to illnesses, disabilities, etc.

This event would not have been successful without the assistance of everyone in our community. We would like to thank everyone who donated a dish, beverages, monetarily, time, and a special thanks to organizations who participated/donated.

Our next endeavor (Community Christmas Dinner/Party) will be Saturday, December 16, 2017, at the Northgate Optimist Club 4201 Skyline Ave, food will be blessed and served from 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM, 6:00-7:00pm Santa will be visiting to hand out toys to every kid in attendance. We will be requesting donations soon for this event.

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EHP Column

by: William Mikels

Greetings in the name of the Great I AM,

Greetings from the desk of the Excellent High Priest. I would first like to say I hope everyone has a safe and blessed holiday. As we bring 2017 to a close and welcome 2018 with open hearts, lets us always remember our brothers and sisters that have transitioned from our presence and joined the Great I AM in that house not made by hands. They will be missed dearly in our Chapter and in Our Hearts.

As the newly installed Excellent High Priest I ask that you please join me and welcoming and congratulating the newly installed and appointed officers of El Paso Holy Royal Arch Chapter No 90. We are a group of likeminded men with set goals and expectations for our Chapter this year. We plan to bring some new ideas and endeavors to the El Paso Community as well as uphold our traditional endeavors. As EHP I charge each member to gather their working tools and join me in the Quarry of El Paso, so we may glean and continue to build TOGETHER!

Members, our 137th Annual Grand Conclave is fast approaching. I ask that if it is within your length please join us in Killen, Texas this year. This year's YRW starts February 1st and ends on the 4th. If you are interested in attending, please contact myself or the Chapter's secretary PHP Duwan Mason. The deadline for early registration is December 28th, 2017. I look forward to seeing everyone there.

Holiness to The Lord!!!



Franck Bonhomme Banquet/Bio

by: Emanuel Tucker

The Franck R. Bonhomme Banquet is an annual event held in El Paso Texas at the Northgate Optimist Club. It is a day of celebration and thanks for all the hard work the Companions of RAC 90 along with sponsors have put in the current and previous year. This year awardees included Volunteer of the Year Jennie Mikels, Companion of the Year Hasib Farhan, and volunteer awards to Lisa Franklin, Alannah Pitts, Brian Pitts, Dominik Pitts, Kanaan Pitts, and Reuben Pitts. Visit our webpage at <https://www.elpasoholyroyalarch.com/> and Instagram at <https://www.instagram.com/elpasohram90/?hl=en> to view photos. See information below for Franck Bonhomme's biography.

Franck Richard Bonhomme was born on February 4, 1951 in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. He relocated to the United States on November 10, 1965, at fourteen years of age. While attending local schools in America he earned an Associates of Applied Science Degree in Restaurant Food Service Management.

Franck Bonhomme was a religious man who led by example. Franck enlisted in the United States Army during the Vietnam War and continued to serve his country during Desert Storm. He retired in El Paso, Texas after twenty years of service.

Franck Bonhomme became a Master Mason on June 19, 1982. He was a Past Master of the Pride of the West Lodge No. 53, Past High Priest of El Paso Holy Royal Arch Masons Chapter No. 90 and became a Grand Inspector General in October 2008, receiving the 33rd and last degree in Masonry. He belonged to every Prince Hall Masonic organization in the State of Texas.

He supported all the Masonic houses and many other organizations here in our El Paso community. He helped to organize many fundraisers for youth groups and youth athletic programs. Franck even went so far as to fund math and science programs for schools that could not afford them. Franck Bonhomme spoke several different languages fluently and used his knowledge on many occasions working in the community. Everyone remembers him for his cake and pie fundraisers.

When Franck couldn't raise enough funds for these endeavors, he would finance them himself. He was also an educator; Franck would have weekly study halls at his home to educate his brethren on all Masonic studies. When he gave a lesson to study he would make sure that we followed through and studied. He would quiz us on everything, and if you failed or didn't study he would let you know in his own way, which wasn't always nice.

He loved every organization, but he took El Paso HRAM No. 90 under his wing and strived to make it the most successful chapter in Texas. For years Franck Bonhomme wanted to establish a way to appreciate everyone for their Good Work, True Work, and Square Work; so on September 17, 2012 he established our first Annual Appreciation Banquet. He wanted to make it clear that the banquet should honor all the members of Masonry, their families, their friends, and especially the El Paso Community for their support to El Paso HRAM No. 90. On June 16, 2013 Franck Bonhomme passed away, but his dreams and visions continue to live on. El Paso HRAM NO. 90 has won Chapter of the Year seven out of the last ten years, the last five times consecutively. Our Chapter has been mentioned at the Annual General Grand Conference as the best in the country. On September 17, 2015 the Appreciation Banquet was renamed the Franck R. Bonhomme Appreciation Banquet in honor of his accomplishments and the lives he has influenced.

King's Address by Curtis Smith

Merry Christmas and Happy New Years to everyone. We are finally bringing 2017 to a close. This has been an eventful year for myself and the Chapter, but it is not over yet. As Royal Arch Masons education and the development of future leaders remains one of our main missions. I

must remind members and the parents of 2018 Graduating Seniors that we are now accepting applications for the L. Harold Gray Joint Financial Student Aid Scholarship. We raise money throughout the year by having various fundraisers with the sole purpose of giving

some young adults assistance as they prepare to continue their education. Please visit our website <https://www.elpasoholyroyalarch.com/> and download the application. Once it is complete you can contact us via our website or turn it in to any of our members.

Alzheimer's Walk by Emanuel Tucker

According to the Mayo Clinic, "Alzheimer's disease is a progressive disease that destroys memory and other important mental functions. At first, someone with Alzheimer's disease may notice mild confusion and difficulty remembering. Eventually, people with the disease may even forget important people in their lives and undergo dramatic personality changes.

Alzheimer's disease is the most common cause of dementia — a group of brain disorders that cause the loss of intellectual and social skills. In Alzheimer's disease, the brain cells degenerate and die, causing a steady decline in memory and mental

function.

Current Alzheimer's disease medications and management strategies may temporarily improve symptoms. This can sometimes help people with Alzheimer's disease maximize function and maintain independence for a little while longer. But because there's no cure for Alzheimer's disease, it's important to seek supportive services and tap into your support network as early as possible."

Research and much progress have been in made treating this disease but as a community we are praying for a cure. Within our chapter family members have been lost due to this illness

so this is why we participate in the Annual Alzheimer's Walk.

This year it was held at the Sunland Park track on 14 Oct and many Companions along with family and friends came out to support. We will continue to support this event and hopefully there will be more in attendance and funds raised. This is an issue that is affecting our society and RAC 90 would like to play apart of resolving the problem. Our contribution will go towards assisting in research for future cures and treatment.

Making Strides Cancer Walk by William Mikals

It saddens my heart to say this, but cancer has affected many of our members directly or indirectly. It is an illness that holds no punches or shows no remorse for those it effects. Each year that passes the list of its victims continues to grow. We can only strive to raise awareness of the disease and funds to further the research for a cure. El Paso Holy Royal Arch No 90 and friends did just that this year at the Annual Making Strides Cancer Walk. The 5K walk was emotional to some and celebration to others. As we hung out in Survivorville sponsored by our own SURVIVOR SiSTAR Roberts, the Chapter was able to give back to the walkers by providing some refreshments and breakfast after their completion. We will continue to support this movement to raise awareness in 2018 and encourage everyone to join us this coming year.

For photos visit our Instagram and Facebook pages at

<https://www.instagram.com/elpasohram90/?hl=en>

https://www.facebook.com/ElPasoHRAM90/?ref=py_c

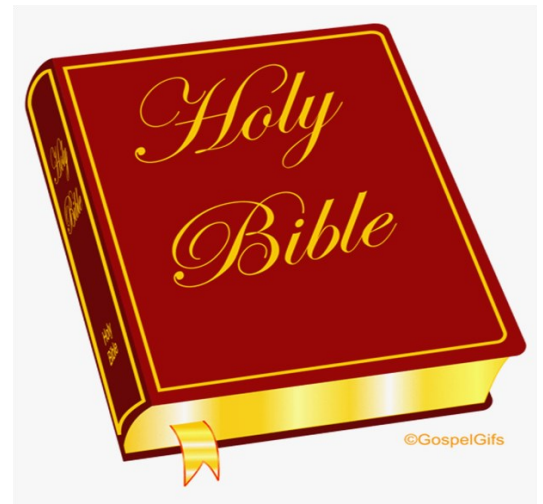


Question and Answer:

Questions From The Bible

1. What was at Gibeon when Solomon went there?
2. What punishment was given to Daniel for praying to God?
3. Who was Methuselah's father?
4. How did the Lord bless the people in the book of Joel?
5. How many Soldiers were in Gideon's Army?
6. Who was Ruth's first husband?

Answers will be discussed at the next Chapter Meeting



El Paso Holy Royal Arch Officers

Excellent High Priest– William Mikels
Excellent King– Curtis Smith
Excellent Scribe– vacant
Secretary– PHP Duwan Mason
Treasurer– Hersey Roberts
Sentinel– Keith Ferreira
Captain of the Host– Mark Byrd
Principle Sojourner– Amos McCluney
Royal Arch Captain– Leon Settle
Master of the Third Veil– Montrez Legg
Master of the Second Veil– Lewis Shepard
Master of the First Veil– Randi Hutchons



Schedule of Events

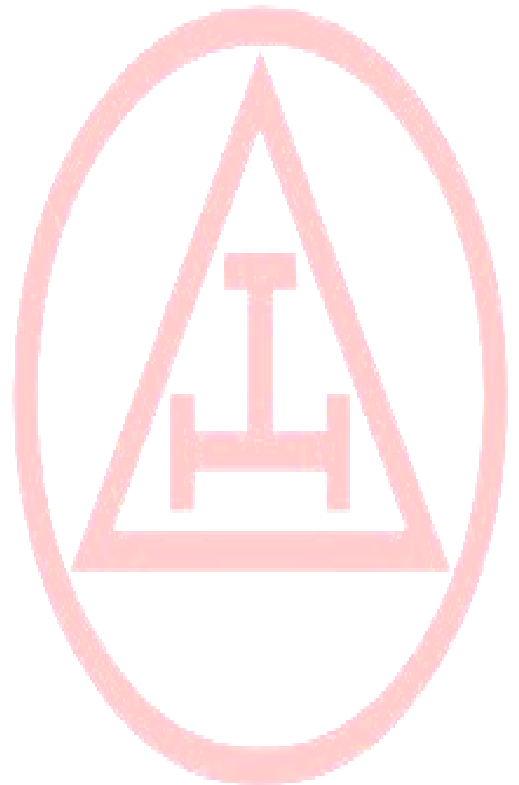
See upcoming events on
www.elpasoholyroyalarch.com

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14	15	16	17	18	19	20
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Grand Chapter Officers

- Most Excellent Grand High Priest:** Willie J. Tate
- Deputy GHP:** Michael Berry
- RE Grand King:** Bernard Samuel
- RE Grand Scribe:** Patrick Braithwaite
- RE Grand Secretary:** Jerry Hampton
- RE Grand Treasurer:** Norman Thomas
- RE Grand Lecturer:** Bobby Grant
- 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



Important Web pages:

Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of
Texas:

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

District 25: [http://www.masonicdistrict25.org/
index.html](http://www.masonicdistrict25.org/index.html)

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

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

El Paso Holy Royal Arch Masons Chapter #90:
<https://www.elpasoholyroyalarch.com/>

Also, please visit *Most Excellent Prince Hall
Grand Chapter Holy Royal Arch Masons of Texas*

For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day. For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory; while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal. 2 Corinthians 4: 16-18