

EL PASO HOLY ROYAL ARCH #90
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*"A friend loveth at all times,
and a brother is born for adversity"*

Proverbs 17:17

Sparks you will be sorely missed

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Wilson Sparks

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25 Year Celebration

Black History

Birthday

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2017 Inspirational Day by: Emanuel Tucker

Every Memorial Day weekend the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Willie Tate, and his staff visits the city of El Paso. Children and parents will come down to the Optimist Club and listen to the MEGHP give words of wisdom, guidance, parenting tips, scholarship information, etc...to improve family life and the future generation. On his last visit, there were more than 50 families in attendance and many left equipped with more tools to assist in the success of our next generation. After speaking with families that were in attendance the MEGHP went out and visited chapter members and families that were not able to attend the Inspirational Day. We look forward to his visit next year.

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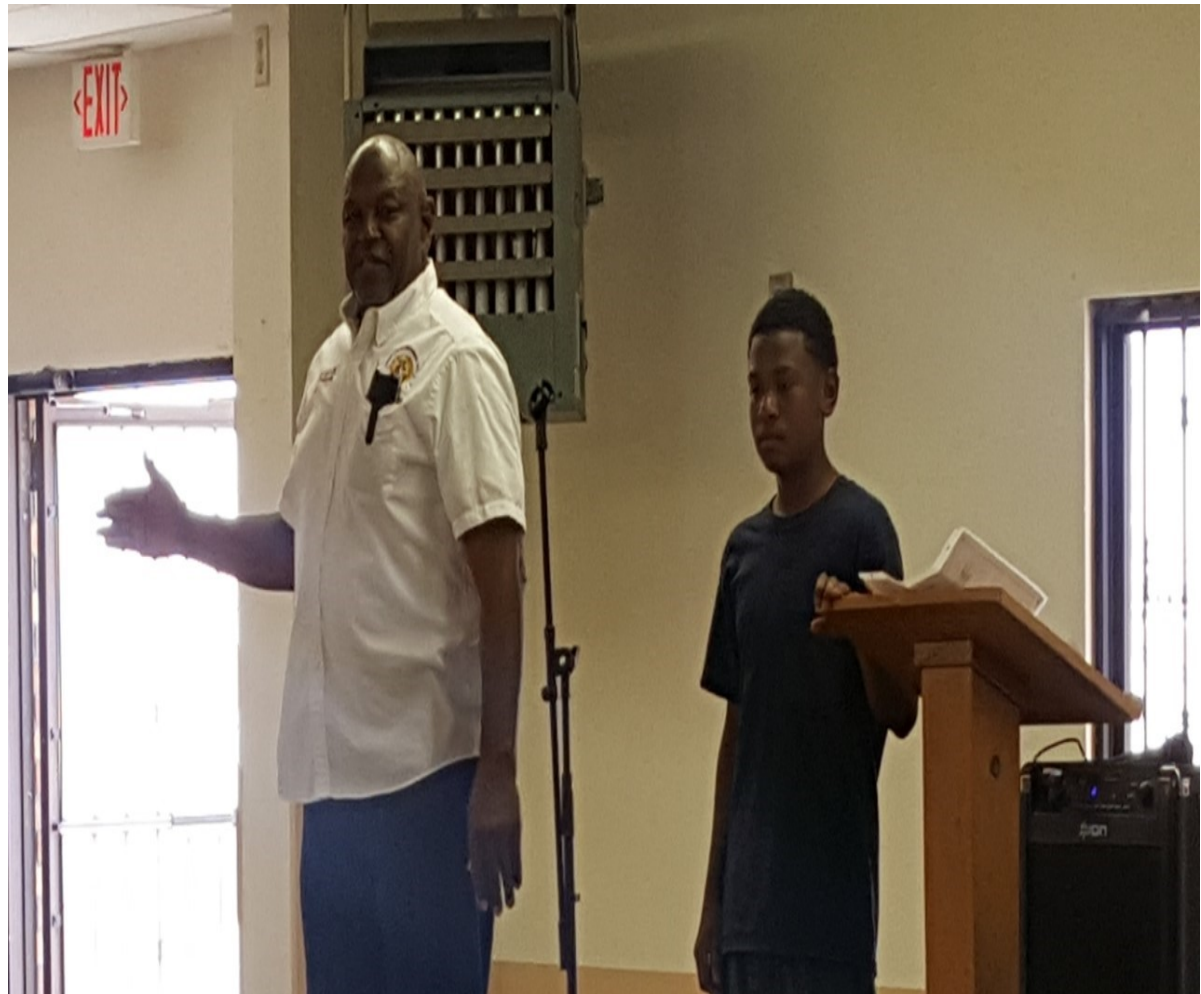
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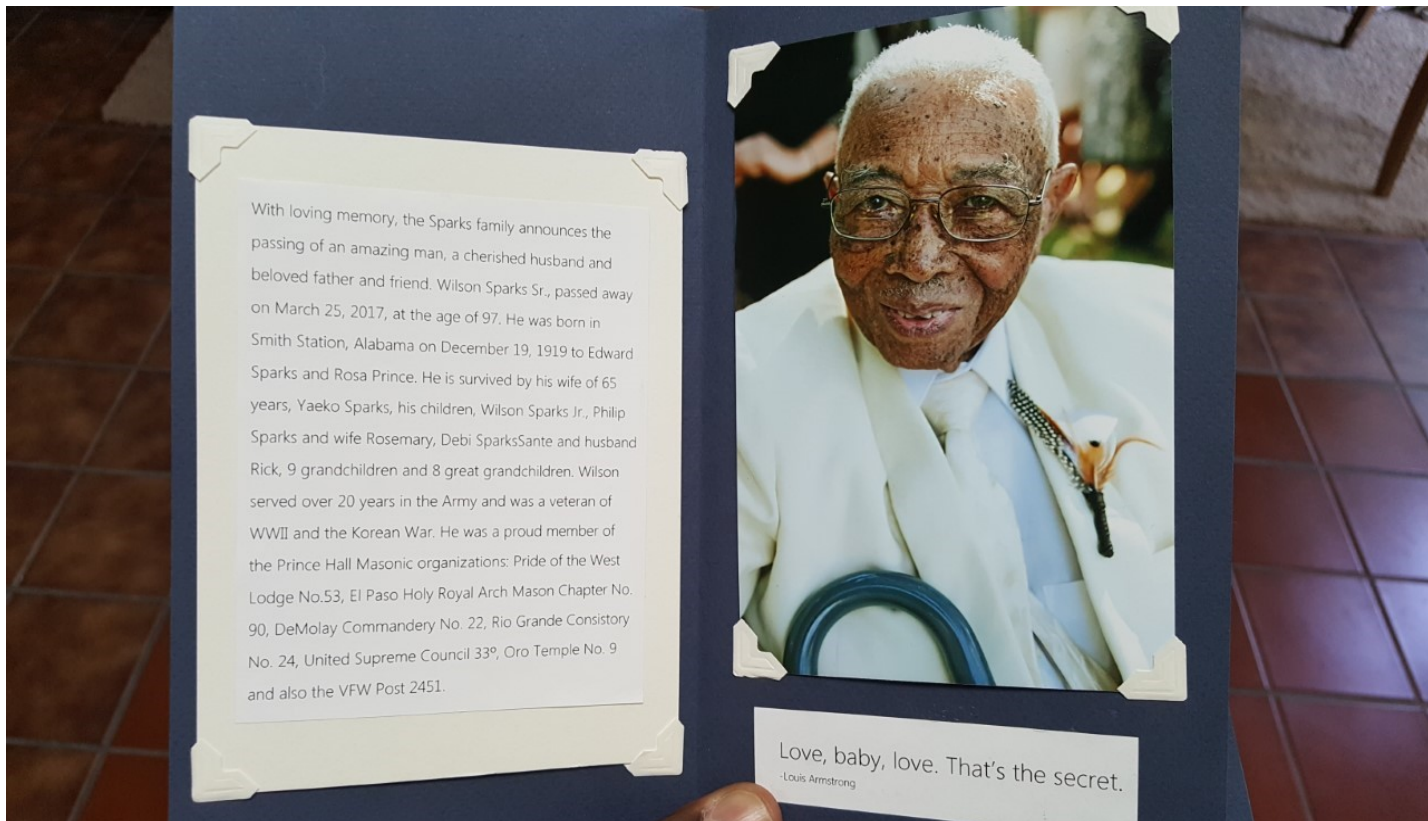
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Wilson Sparks Impact on RAC 90 by: Emanuel Tucker



Wilson Sparks was a man who daily expressed his love of God, family, and masonic family. He taught us that there is no reason to have an excuse and if a task takes a high priority within a man's life he will find time to complete that task. Once Sparks reached the age of 90 he could no longer attend meetings because the meetings were held at the Lodge Hall of Sunset Lodge #76. The Chapter voted to have the meeting moved to the Lodge Hall of Pride of the West #53 and he would often ride with PHP Moss or CP Miller to ensure his input and guidance was heard.

Even though Sparks had earned titles of Honorary Past Grand High, Past High Priest, and many others he always ensured

he was an asset to the organization. He always focused on being a contributor and not a person using the organization for his own benefit. He contributed his time, finances, and intellect for the masonic community to benefit. Being a chapter composed of service members these lessons Wilson Sparks taught has been transferred over to various jurisdictions across the United States and abroad. Wilson Sparks had seen masonry grow in the State of Texas and city of El Paso while being one of the anchors that remained steadfast through the good and bad times within the organization. As we look back on his life and contributions to our organization it serves as an inspirational and motivational tool for us to work on improvement. Sparks you be missed!!



Supporting Widows and Orphans by: Emanuel Tucker



PHP Duwan M. Mason, Sr. along with family and friends came together on June 4, 2017 by the request of Christine Johnson, wife of PHP Franck R. Bonhomme. Mama B has established a day remembrance for PHP Franck R. Bonhomme, PHP Bennie Moss, and PHP Mario Wilson, Sr. who all passed away in 2013. It was an occasion to remember great men we all loved and cherished. Also, on June 4, 2017 PHP Duwan M. Mason, Sr. performed the Father-Daughter dance at the Quinceanera of Bianca the daughter of Brother Roger and Olga Grays. Brother Grays passed away on the Thanksgiving Day 2015. Our actions is not meant to solicit appreciation but rather to translate into fulfillment one of our avowed obligations to another, it will nevertheless be such a delightful demonstration of Masonic Brotherhood to behold, to emulate. The following are some of the expressions we receive from widows and orphans of our fallen brethren. "It sure is nice to be remembered." "Please express my sincere thanks to your organization for their thoughtfulness in remembering my husband through your gesture of friendship to me, which I shall treasure always." "Again many thanks for all the kindness and thoughtfulness extended to me since he's been gone." "I never dreamed that Masons did all this." By hearing the families expressions we understand more how important it is to support our fallen member's families.

New Beginning Baptist 25 Year Celebration by Duwan Mason/Emanuel Tucker

On May 21, 2017 El Paso Holy Royal Arch Masons No 90 along with other Masonic organization assisted in celebrating New Beginning Missionary Baptist Church's 25th anniversary. The Church has been a consist support of Prince Hall Masonry in the city of El Paso and has also provided facilities for many masonic events that has taken place over the years. El Paso HRAM No. 90 would again like to thank them for many years of continuous dedication and support and we look forward to working with the membership of this church for many more years to come.



Black History Celebration

by Emanuel Tucker

Carter G. Woodson, the great Black Historian, started Black History week back in 1926. It gained a lot of traction through in the 1970s by shows such as Good Times and The Jefferson's highlighting of the importance of Black History week. Later it was changed to Black History month and some of the school districts around the country have taken time out to highlight the accomplishments of African-Americans in this nation.

Being members of the Prince Hall masonic family we play a major role in ensuring the month is preserved by adding value to the yearly celebration. On February 27th 2017 the chapter assisted Andress High school in the celebration. This has become an annual requirement for the chapter and we would like to thank the High School for celebrating our ancestors' contribution to this nation.



CP Curtis Brown Birthday by Duwan Mason/Dax Thomas

On March 11th El Paso Holy Royal Arch Mason No 90 celebrated the birthday of one of our eldest brothers in El Paso, TX (Curtis Brown). As always Brother Brown and his family greeted us with as if we were family. We had a joyful time in his residence while celebrating his 92nd birthday. He was surprised at that we came by and very happy to see that we're still going strong. It's always a blast to hear his wonderful story about the past. We got an extra treat this time; he explained how he and his wonderful wife of 65 years met and also became one of the first Command Sergeants Major in the United States Army. As always our chapter has vowed to support ALL our Masonic PHamily and their members, especially as they age, and aren't able to come to meetings.



Photos of the Quarter



Roadside Cleanup by Emanuel Tucker

Masons carry the burden of being the cornerstone of the community. The community being our home is often more comfortable when it is clean. A clean environment is welcoming, warming, friendly, and comfortable but often the hard work involved to maintain cleanliness is overlooked. This is the case in our city as well. The hard work that is involved in keeping our community clean is tasking and takes a lot of time. On March 4th El Paso York Rite bodies El Paso HRAM No 90 assisted Alston-Kennedy Guild No 10 with their Roadside clean up. We would like to thank them for taking time out of their busy day for this contribution to El Paso. Great work ladies!!!!



Photos of the Quarter (More)

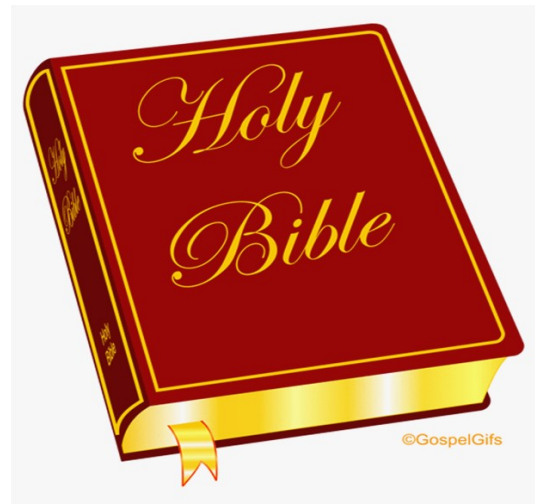


Question and Answer:

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 in 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**– Dax Thomas
- Excellent King**– William Mikels
- Excellent Scribe**– Edrick McDonald
- Secretary**– PHP Duwan Mason
- Treasurer**– Hersey Roberts
- Sentinel**– Ka'naan Pitts
- 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

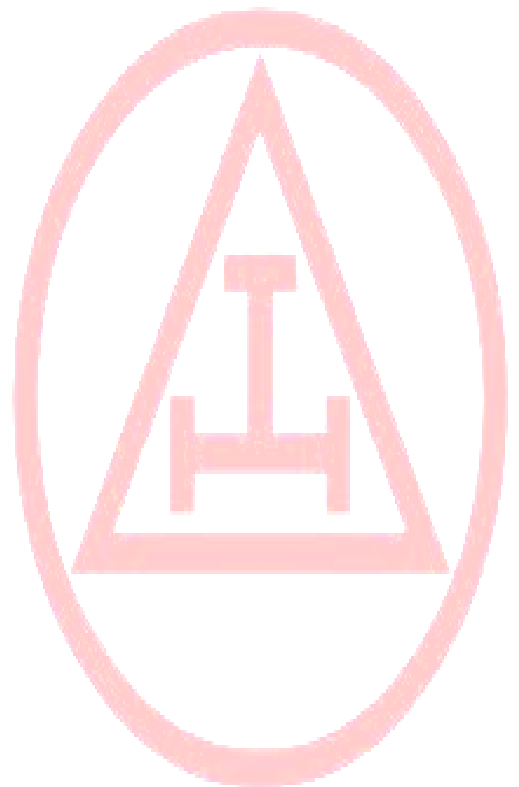
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Grand Chapter Officers

- 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