

# David Elliott Lodge # 364 Monthly Update

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WM & MWGM

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**NEXT STATED MEETING: Tuesday, February 06, 2024 @ 7:00 PM**

**MEAL AT 6:15 PM**

- Meals:** Brother Lyons provided the January 2024 meal and Brother McGee provided the dessert, tea & ice. The OES will provide the February Meal.
- Marietta Committee:** Brother Jodie will contact the Real Estate dealer we agreed upon and get them started on listing the Marietta Lodge Property.
- 2024 Dues Art. 319.** **Any member in arrears shall be considered “NOT in good standing” and shall not be entitled to participate in any Masonic function predicated on membership if payment was not received by December 31, 2023.**
- Members DUES cards were either personally delivered, mailed through the U.S. Mail, or handed out in Lodge at the January Stated Meeting. Anyone that has paid their dues or is exempt from payment for any reason that has not received their dues card by now should contact the Secretary or Treasurer at the phone # or email listed above.
- The 2nd **Pancake Fundraiser Breakfast will be held Saturday, January 27, 2024**, from 8:00 am until 11:00 am. Brother Ric will evaluate the need for supplies and handle. Anyone wishing to assist with the fundraiser should contact Rex. Advertising & publicity for the event will begin on January 03, 2024.
- The **Community Builder Award** will be presented **January, 27, 2024, after the Pancake Fundraiser at approximately 11:00 am in an Open Lodge setting.** The WM is working on the final changes, publicity and advertisement for the event.
- The **“Meet & Greet”** concept will be discussed at next Stated Meeting.
- The Annual Communication for the Grand Lodge of Texas is scheduled for January 18-20, 2024. Registration opened Wednesday, November 1st, 2023, at 10:00 am. Members can register through their member portal. If you encounter difficulties registering, please call the Grand Secretary’s Office. (Please read the Resolutions as numerous appear to have critical issues that need careful examination as they may have significant impact on constituent lodges.)
- Please remember your sick brothers and their families this season and pray for them.
- MWGM Smith issued GM’s decision # 4 relating to permitting weapons in the Lodge Room. The WM, Treasurer & Secretary will evaluate current by-laws and Rules & Regulations of the Lodge to determine if additional action is necessary to be following said GM’s Decision.

### 2023-2024 Summary of Proposed Resolutions

Resolution No. 1: A resolution relating to a program to initiate, pass, and raise a Mason in one day.

Resolution No. 2: A resolution relating to reconfiguring the number of blackballs required to reject a petition for the degrees.

Resolution No. 3: A resolution relating to the [prohibition of Masonic charges after dismissal or acquittal](#).

Resolution No. 4: A resolution relating to the call of Special Communication of the Grand Lodge upon petition of the subordinate lodges.

Resolution No. 5: A resolution relating to the responsibilities of management of the Memorial Masonic Grand Lodge Temple.

Resolution No. 6: A resolution relating to the [distribution and approval of minutes](#) of the lodge.

Resolution No. 7: A resolution relating to the production of a summary of the proposed resolutions and their effects.

Resolution No. 8: A resolution relating to a vote for reinstatement after definite time suspension for Masonic offenses.

Resolution No. 9: A resolution relating to the [possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages on lodge premises](#). NOTE: Since this subject matter was considered within the last three (3) years, a preliminary vote requiring approval of two-thirds majority of the lodges and members present is required to consider the resolution (Art. 172 paragraph 2).

Resolution No. 10: A resolution relating to the Grand Lodge's jurisdiction over certain individuals accused of un-Masonic conduct.

Resolution No. 11: A resolution relating to the paraphernalia used in the subordinate lodges.

Resolution No. 12: A resolution relating to [subordinate lodge sponsorship of other organizations](#).

Resolution No. 13: A resolution relating to requirements for lodge instructors for the L.I.F.E. Program.

Resolution No. 14: A resolution relating to an apron for Golden Trowel recipients.

Resolution No. 15: A resolution relating to disposition of funds of certain Endowed Memberships in demised lodges.

Resolution No. 16: A resolution relating to the disqualification of felons to receive the degrees

Resolutions # 1, 2, 3, 6, 9,&12 (Resolutions typed in blue) could have critical impact on the tradition of several aspects that have been fundamental in the Lodge allowing entry through the west gate, charges against the brethren, handling of minutes, alcohol in the Lodge, and outside organization that the Lodge will sponsor inside the Lodge setting. Some of the other resolutions may have similar negative impacts but are as obvious as the abovementioned Resolutions. Other Resolutions such as 4, 5 & 10 certainly have suspect reasoning of their presentation. I would want to evaluate everything said prior to voting on these Resolutions.



Worshipful Master Garrett Lyons, Brothers Rex McGee, Mark Munkres, Ric Holland & Fred Holcomb along with OES Sister Carole McGee delivered the Masonic Widows & Order of the Eastern Star shut-in Christmas Baskets this year. The baskets were prepared and donated by Rex & Carole McGee.

*“What you do for yourself dies with you when you leave this world,  
what you do for others’ lives on forever.”*

*AS A Mason, leave a legacy of caring & action.*

*Support the Shriners, Scottish Rite & St. Jude’s Hospital systems for Children.*

*Happy New Year*