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**Worshipful Master**  
**2025/2026**



**David Elliott Lodge # 364**  
**Chartered June 09, 1873**



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**NEXT STATED MEETING: February 03, 2026 @ 7:00 PM MEAL AT 6:15 PM**

1. The Stated Meeting meal for January 2026 was provided & served by Joe Reynolds. Brother Holland provided the dessert. Brother McGee provided the tea & Ice. The February meeting meal will be provided by OES.
2. Please remember your sick brothers and their families and pray for them. Remember our bereaved brethren and pray for God's caressing hands upon them.
3. The Lodge has been winterized on the outside and the rules for colder months are now in effect related to heating of the building during possible inclement weather.

4. LEO Training for January is scheduled for January 19, 2026, @ 6:30 pm. Items to be covered are DDGM reception, 2026 Resolutions and Open/Close of MM Lodge.
5. The second Fundraiser will be on **Saturday, January 31, 2026, from 8:00 am until 11:00 am.** Advertising and media contacts started on January 01, 2026. Tickets are provided with the attachment to this update.
6. The Widows Baskets this year were assembled & delivered by Rex McGee, Fred Holcomb, Joe Reynolds, Ricky Holland & Mark Munkres and Carole McGee.
7. The Christmas Needy family Christmas was delivered by Rex McGee.
8. The Annual Grand Communication will be held in Waco, Texas January 15-17, 2026.
9. The Lodge voted to participate in the Scholarship, Lamar Medal, Community Grant & Honorarium programs in coordination with TXMCF funding.
10. Resolutions for Annual Grand Communication 2026 were discussed, and the Lodge reached a decision on how the Lodge representative should vote unless information is received or changes made to the resolution that would require a different decision. If so, the decision is to be made by the Lodge representative with support of the Lodge.
11. Brother Cason & Brother Betts sent pictures of the construction of the new Masonic sign to be placed on Highway 67. All present agreed as to the appropriateness and aesthetic value of the sign. It will be installed ASAP. All appropriate right-of-way clearances and utility clearances have been received.
12. Brother Joe Reynolds, Junior Warden and Brother McGee, Lodge Secretary & proxy will be attending Grand Lodge this year.

## **LEO TRAINING**

### **Masonic Charity: The Heart of the Craft.**

At the very core of Freemasonry, intertwined with its symbols and rituals, lies a simple yet profound principle that has guided its members for centuries. Charity, in its purest form, is not merely an activity Masons undertake; it is a foundational pillar of the entire institution. Flowing directly from the central tenets of Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth, the philanthropic impulse is the living, breathing heart of the Craft. It is the tangible expression of a Mason's commitment to improving not only his own character but also the world around him. This dedication manifests in countless ways, from the quiet support offered to a brother in distress to the massive, multi-million-pound grants distributed by national foundations. It is a legacy of giving, built upon the collective efforts of millions of individuals united by a common goal to make a positive difference in the lives of others, both within their own fraternity and across the wider community.

The concept of Freemasons charity is as old as the fraternity itself. It is one of the three great principles upon which the order is founded, alongside Brotherly Love and Truth. For a Freemason, charity, often referred to as Relief, is a moral duty and a practical expression of his values. It begins at the most fundamental level, with an obligation to assist a fellow Mason or his family in times of

need, whether that need is financial, emotional, or physical. This internal support system creates a powerful bond of mutual care and responsibility within the brotherhood.

However, the true scope of Masonic philanthropy extends far beyond the walls of the lodge.

Freemasonry teaches that a Mason's duty is to all of humankind. This philosophy drives a vast and diverse philanthropic outreach into the public sphere. From its earliest days, Masonic lodges have served as centers for local fundraising and community support. The collective power of members pooling their resources allows them to make a significant impact, contributing to everything from local food banks and youth groups to major public works and disaster relief efforts. It is this dual focus, caring for their own while generously supporting the wider world, that defines the true scope of Freemasons charity.

*Support the Shriners Children Hospital System, The Scottish Rite Hospital, and the St. Jude Children's Hospital System with a monthly contribution.*

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**HAPPY**

**NEW YEAR**