

David Elliott Lodge # 364 Monthly Update

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WM & MWGM

PANCAKE FUNDRAISER

150th Anniversary Celebration

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NEXT STATED MEETING: Tuesday, April 02, 2024 @ 7:00 PM

MEAL AT 6:15 PM

1. Meal: **Brothers Cason & Holland provided the meal & dessert for March Stated Meeting.**
2. Marietta Property Disposal Committee: The Marietta property disposal committee will be meeting to address listing the property with a realtor. Brother McGee will coordinate a date & time for the meeting.
3. **Please remember your sick brothers and their families and pray for them.**
4. The Lodge agreed to **award two (2) one thousand (\$1000.00) dollar scholarships** this year and requested matching funds from TXMCF. The Lodge also agreed to award **two Lamar Awards, one to a student and one to a staff member.** The WM charged the Scholarship committee with starting the process to get these awards accomplished.
5. The Building Committee hired a janitor to clean the Lodge. She will clean the Lodge for \$60.00 per month and the Lodge will provide her with a \$40.00 starter fund to purchase supplies. She will use her own supplies in the future. She gave the Lodge a much-needed cleaning and we congratulate her efforts. She is the granddaughter of deceased Past Master and long-time member "Bill" Swafford.
6. We heard a report on the new safety rails installed in the East leading to the podium. **David Reynolds donated the rails to the Lodge.** These rails will serve as a safety feature as well as assist our members with mobility problems accessing the East.
7. The Lodge voted to raise the price of a **Pancake ticket from \$5.00 to \$7.00** for the Pancake Fundraiser Breakfast. The next fundraiser is scheduled for the last Saturday of April 2024 and the tickets will reflect the increased price.
8. The Lodge voted to renew our **CD with FF S & L in Mt. Pleasant for 13 months @ 4.67%.** Brother McGee will contact the S & L and get the paperwork completed.
9. Brother McGee gave a report on Lodge insurance and issues related to keeping the Lodge adequately insured at a reasonable cost to the Lodge.
10. We need to be thinking about Lodge officers for next year and begin preparing our budgets, our programs and getting our committees lined out for the year. Please be honest with yourself and the Lodge and if you

cannot commit the time & effort required for the position, be a real Mason and support someone that can devote those efforts.

11. DDGM Jamey Sterrett made his first official visit to David Elliott Lodge and was accompanied by Jodie Harris, DI and Bryan Vaught, DCO. He brought the message to the Lodge of MWGM Tommy F. Chapman.



First Row L to R: Ken Breedlove, Jodie Harris--District Instructor, Jamey Sterrett--District Deputy Grand Master, Garrett Lyons--David Elliott Lodge Master, Bryan Vaught--District Communications Officer, Wayne Cason-- Chaplain, Jerome Elder--Junior Warden
Second Row L to R : Rex McGee--Treasurer, Mark Munkres-- Secretary, Sonny Reinhardt--Senior Warden, Billy Williams
Third Row L to R: Fred Holcomb--Steward & Jerry Rook--Tyler.

Remember that our future is in our hands.

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

-----Thoughts for today-----

“In the age-old contest between popularity and principle, only those willing to lose for their convictions are deserving of posterity’s approval.”

Ask yourself this question: Am I a Mason in name only or am I a Mason by my actions and practices???