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**W.H. "Bill" Guy
Worshipful Master
2025/2026**



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



**Most Worshipful
Jim Rumsey
2026/2027**

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NEXT STATED MEETING: May 05, 2026 @ 7:00 PM MEAL AT 6:15 PM

1. The Stated Meeting meal for April 2026 was provided by Joe Reynolds, Dessert by Ricky Holland and Ice & tea by Rex McGee. The May 2026 meeting meal will be provided by Rex McGee.
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. LEO Training for April is scheduled for April 20, 2026, 6:30 pm. Items for discussion: open/close of all four Lodges. **(CANCELLED AND REPLACED BY BUILDING & PROPERTY MEETING)**
4. The third Pancake Fundraiser of the Masonic Year will be on Saturday, April 25, 2026. The Lodge will present the Community Builders Award on this date as well as present the Community Grant Award to the 2026 recipient on the same day. The local newspaper will be present to cover the activities.

The WM requests that all members and families attend these events to support the Lodge in meeting its community goals.

5. The scholarship & Lamar Medal Committee was activated at the March stated meeting and reported on their nominations at the April Meeting. The nominations of the committee were approved. The committee consists of Fred Holcomb, chair, Casey Betts & Ricky Holland.
6. It is time to start thinking about availability for Lodge offices for the coming year. Brother Hughes has indicated his desire to move into the WM position. So far, he is the only member that has committed & informed us of their desire to serve in a specific position. Please remember that Progressive Line Officers have special eligibility requirements. The committee will be interested in knowing what offices that you are interested in filling, if the office is available, and what office you are not interested in filling. Be thinking about next year and your role in the Lodge. The Worshipful Master will activate the Nominations Committee at the next stated meeting.
7. Insurance for the upcoming year was discussed since we received a preliminary estimate for both property & liability coverage. The insurance estimate from the new companies vs. the current coverage represents savings to the Lodge, however there are significant differences in values of property & coverage. Brother McGee stated that he had not had an opportunity to study the estimates in depth and wants to meet with the Property committee of the Lodge prior to making a final decision as to a recommendation to the Lodge. The new coverage appears to represent a savings of yearly cost of insurance, but at the same time it represents a higher deductible and smaller total value if the Lodge sustains a loss. The committee & Lodge needs to reconcile its need & desire to receive lower rates with the alternative of a higher deductible and lower total payout in the event of a loss. The Worshipful Master, as well as those attending, were amenable to the Property committee examining the proposals and making a recommendation to the Lodge for future coverage. Brother McGee will be in touch with the committee and Worshipful Master to set up a date for assessing the offers prior to next meeting of the Lodge. **(THE DATE IS APRIL 25, 2026, at 6:30pm)**

LEO TRAINING

Duties of the Treasurer in a Texas Masonic Lodge

In Texas Masonic lodges, the Treasurer is an elected officer responsible for the lodge's financial affairs, acting as the Chief Financial Officer. Duties are defined by the lodge's bylaws, Grand Lodge Constitution, and Masonic custom, and may vary between lodges, but generally include:

1. Financial Management and Recordkeeping

- Maintain accurate accounts of all receipts, disbursements, and assets
- Keep a just and true account of all monies received and paid out
- Ensure all financial records are available for review by the Lodge Audit Committee or Grand Lodge

2. Collection and Deposit of Funds

- Receive all monies from the Secretary and give a receipt for each payment
- Deposit all funds into the proper lodge accounts.
- Collect dues, fees, and other money as directed by the lodge.

3. Disbursement of Funds

- Pay out only upon the order of the Worshipful Master and with the consent of the lodge.

- Ensure payments are made promptly and in accordance with lodge policy.

4. Investment and Asset Management

- Hold and manage lodge property of a financial character, such as deeds, certificates, bonds, or stocks
- Consider surplus funds for investment in accordance with lodge policy.

5. Reporting and Transparency

- Present financial reports at all stated meetings
- Provide the Lodge Audit Committee with bank statements, investment statements, and completed financial forms.
- Participate in annual audits of the lodge's books and records.

6. Compliance and Oversight

- Follow the lodge's bylaws, Grand Lodge rules, and any applicable state laws.
- Ensure the lodge is exempt from certain dues if authorized.

7. Collaboration with Other Officers

- Work closely with the Worshipful Master, Senior Warden, and Secretary to maintain financial integrity and support lodge operations.
- Serve on committees as chairman or member.
- Perform other duties as assigned by the Worshipful Master or elaborated in the Lodge by-laws or Rues & Regulations and Lodge customs and traditions.

In summary, the Texas Masonic lodge treasurer's role is to guard the lodge's finances, ensure transparency, and support the lodge's mission through sound financial stewardship.

Next month the role of the Senior & Junior Deacons will be examined.

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