

M∴W∴ James F. Brumit

2012 Grand Master of Masons in Texas



Appreciating our rich Masonic heritage; Strengthening Masonry today; Passing it on to future generations.





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On the Cover: Resting upon the pedestal beside Most Worshipful James F. "Jim" Brumit is the Bible which has been passed from Grand Master to Grand Master for many years. The gavel displayed is the "Masonic Gavel of Texas", also known as the "Sam Houston Gavel", and was used by Sam Houston to open the convention when the Grand Lodge of the Republic of Texas was established. The gavel is displayed in the Grand Lodge Library and Museum along with its complete history.

GRAND MASTER'S MESSAGE

Appreciating our rich Masonic heritage; Strengthening Masonry today; Passing it on to future generations.

So many great Masons before me have expressed their thanks to the Brethren of Texas for honors conferred and I find that I cannot create a new way to say THANKS. You have bestowed on me one of the greatest honors of my life and I am most grateful to you for giving me the opportunity to serve you another year. I accept the challenge and the trust you have placed before me and my prayer to our Heavenly Father is for guidance that I may be worthy of your confidence.

During this year we will have sixteen conferences and the workshop program will continue. I urge all to attend these events. I also urge you to participate in your Lodge and, most importantly, to have an attitude for the general concern and welfare of everyone you meet and shake hands with. What if a smile went with that hand shake?

I believe that the real essence of a Lodge is to teach and practice brotherly love. While we are not a social club, the practice of friendship – brotherly love – requires no school of instruction.

Teach and practice brotherly love. You, the Lodge, and Texas Masonry will be better for it.



Photo by John Lawson



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James F. Brumit Grand Master

PASS IT ON

Grand Master Brumit's signature program for 2012

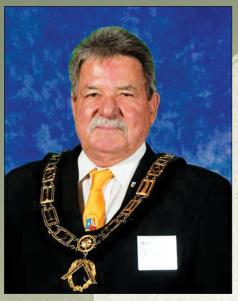
The PASS IT ON orogram was developed as a tool to help build Lodge members' skills in attracting and retaining members. Based on recent research and the collective experiences of many Masons, the program is a step-by-step process for attracting and retaining Lodge members.

Each Lodge will receive a copy of the program and should provide it to the Membership Development Committee members, and the committee should be prepared to give regular updates to the Lodge concerning the progress of candidates and new members.

Here's how to use Grand Master Brumit's signature program for the greatest benefit to your Lodges:

- Assign at least three Lodge members to a Membership Development Committee.
 - All committee members should thoroughly review this program guide and become familiar with the tools enclosed in the program. Instructions on how to use the tools are included in the appropriate sections of this guide.
- Assign responsibility for various phases of the program to committee members.
- Implement each phase of the program as recommended.

2012 Grand Lodge of Texas Officers



Walter W. Rogers
Deputy Grand Master



Jerry L. Martin Grand Senior Warden

Michael L. Wiggins • Grand Junior Warden

Dr. Michael L. Wiggins was initiated, passed, and raised in Liberty Lodge No. 48 located in Liberty, Texas during 1978 while an undergraduate student at Texas A&M University. He served his lodge as Worshipful Master during 1984-1985 and was awarded the Golden Trowel by the lodge in 2007 for his contributions to Masonic education. He is a Past Master and Fellow of Texas Lodge of Research and is a charter member and Past Master of Guildhall Lodge No. 553 located in Stillwater, Oklahoma. In addition, Wiggins is a member of St. Alban's Lodge No. 1455

in College Station. He was a charter member of the Masters, Wardens, and Secretaries Association for Masonic District No. 107 and served as the second President of that organization.

Wiggins served the Grand Lodge of Texas and then Grand Master John E. Jack Kelly as District Deputy Grand Master for Masonic District No. 107 in 1987. He has served a seven-year term on the Committee on Masonic Education and Service and was Chairman for four of those years. In 2005, he was appointed Grand Pursuivant of the Grand Lodge. Wiggins was appointed to a seven year term on the Committee on Purposes and Policies in 2007. He is also the Representative to the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales Australia. He has served on Planning Teams for Past Grand Masters Nanny, Harrison, and



Broughton. In addition, Wiggins is a member of the Sam Houston Hall of Fame and Patron of the Masonic Grand Lodge Library and Museum.

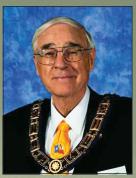
Wiggins is a member of the Houston, Guthrie and Dallas Scottish Rite Bodies. He is a Past Venerable Master of the Guthrie Lodge of Perfection and the Dallas Lodge of Perfection. He is also President of the Guthrie Scottish Rite Educational and Charitable Foundation. In 2005, Wiggins received the honorary 33rd Degree of the Scottish Rite. He currently serves as a Personal Representative

of the Sovereign Grand Inspector General for the Orient of Texas. In the York Rite, Wiggins is a member of Dallas York Rite Chapter No. 47, Council No. 18, and Commandery No. 6. He is also a member of Saint Mark Conclave No. 13 of the Red Cross of Constantine, Holy Grail Council No. 287 of the Allied Masonic Degrees, and the Oklahoma and Texas Colleges of Masonic Rosicrucians.

Born and raised in Liberty, Texas, Wiggins graduated from Liberty High School and attended Texas A&M University where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in petroleum engineering in 1979. He married Tanya Steed of Liberty in 1980 and they have two children and three grandchildren. Jordan, their daughter, married Donnie Lopez in 2010 and continued on page 11



Archie Scott Grand Treasurer



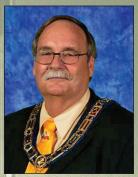
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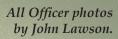
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Todd Polk Grand Orator



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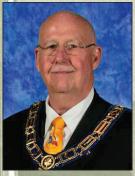




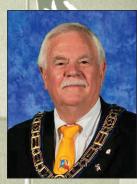
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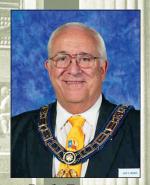
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Mike Spears Grand Senior Steward Grand Junior Steward



John Cline



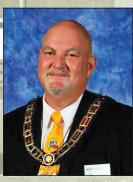
Jack Benner **Grand Organist**



Jimmy Patterson Grand Pursuivant



Leonard Pierce Grand Photographer



Don Kesler **Grand Tiler**



GRAND MASTER'S CALENDAR

(For updates or an annual calendar of events, visit website)

FEBRUARY 2012

27 Liberty County Official Visit Dist#107 TBA 6pm

MARCH 2012

3 3 9 10	San Antonio San Antonio Midland El Paso	Alamo Observance GM Conference GM Conference GM Conference	Alamo Plaza Alzafar Shrine Center Midland Lodge El Paso Lodge	9am 2pm 6pm 3pm
17 23	Beaumont Corpus Christi	GM Conference GM Banquet	Wesley Methodist Church Al Amin Shrine	10am 6pm
24	Corpus Christi	GM Conference	Al Amin Shrine	9am
24	Goliad	Goliad Observance	Goliad Lodge/Memorial	3pm
31	Austin	GM Conference	Ben Hur Shrine	9am
31	Waco	GM Conference	Waco Scottish Rite	3pm

APRIL 2012

28 Lubbock GM Conference Lub	Jacinto Battleground 9am ia Shrine Center 3pm ock Scottish Rite 9am a Shrine 3pm
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From the Internet Committee

This is your chance to win some free loot from the Grand Lodge Internet Committee. We really appreciate the support you all have shown for the website, Facebook page and Twitter account, and we thought it would be cool if we could reward you for helping us make these sites a success.

What we came up with is GLIC Giveaways. Throughout this year, members of GLIC will be traveling across the state with free goodies in tow to give away to you. All you need to do is keep checking out the Facebook page, our Tweets, and the Grand Lodge website to find out where we'll be and what you'll have to do to score a prize.

Big thanks to the Merchandise Committee for the giveaways.

We'll see you on the road! -GLIC

Name Badges Now Available

Name badges are now being offered by the Grand Lodge of Texas for all Texas Masons, especially those who might not have access to a badge maker in their area. The badges, designed to easily slip onto the breast pocket of a suit or shirt, are available in two different styles - one for members and one for Past Master. The price for each badge is only \$15.00, including tax and shipping.



If ordering multiple badges, please include all information on a separate sheet. Make checks payable to "Grand Lodge of Texas."

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Lodge Name & N	lumber	
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Ship to Name		
Address		
City	State	Zip

Clearview Printing, P.O. Box 1084, Midlothian, TX 76065

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To All the Masons and the Masonic Ladies of Texas



How Good And How Pleasant It Is For Masons And Their Families To Dwell Together In Unity!!!

Ladies and My Brethren

Miss Ardith and I wish each of you and yours, a healthy and prosperous New Year and all the best in all your endeavors during the next twelve months. We are looking forward to a great year in 2013 and know that with the "Grace of God" and the assistance of each of you, we will accomplish our end. Our goal in 2013 is to return Masonry to the Masons of Texas and to assist you to accomplish what you want to do.

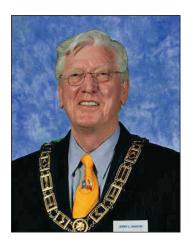
We have inserted into the last issue of the Texas Freemason a form to be filled out if you wish to be active in Grand Lodge. The purpose of the form is to help create "A Talent Bank" for the Grand Lodge to rely on. I urge you to fill it out. I promise you it will be evaluated and you will be in the system. I am selecting new members of Temporary and Permanent Committees from this list.

We also wish M:W: James F. Brumit a great year and pledge our total support in making his Grand Lodge year successful.

GODSPEED

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Walter W. Rogers Deputy Grand Master Masonic Grand Lodge Of Texas A Message from the Grand Senior Warden, Jerry Martin



Happy New Year Brethren! I wish each of you and your family a peaceful, happy, healthy, and prosperous New Year. We are all blessed with another year to live in the greatest country in the world. It is the greatest because our founding fathers created documents with unheard of freedoms at the time they were written, and as you all know, many of those men who drafted those documents were our fraternal brothers. Let us all be thankful for the special privilege of living in such a country, and let us forever be thankful for the men and women who have served in the service of protecting our nation and those freedoms.

Once again, we are blessed with another year to enjoy the bonds of a special brotherhood that exist only in this grand old fraternity of ours. This is the time of year when so many people are making New Year's Resolutions to do so many things that most will not do past the first month. Let us all make a resolution to look within ourselves and resolve to live our lives as our Masonic principles teach us. This will not only strengthen us morally, but strengthen our Lodges because we will then truly care for our Brothers and treat them according to our teachings. Stronger bonds of brotherhood will create harmonious productive meetings that will bear fruit in the fulfillment of good programs and activities that will benefit our Lodges. Such programs and activities will attract the attention and respect of the communities in which we live, which of course, will attract more good men to our fraternity.

Finally Brethren, let's practice the charge from our Installation Ceremony which says, "I, therefore trust that you will have but one aim, and that will be to try to please each other and unite in the grand design of being happy and communicating happiness."



176TH GRAND ANNUA



DECEMBER





AL COMMUNICATION



, 2 & 3, 2011



Masonic Children & Family Services of Texas

Fantastic Teeth Fan Club - 640% More Children Helped in 2010



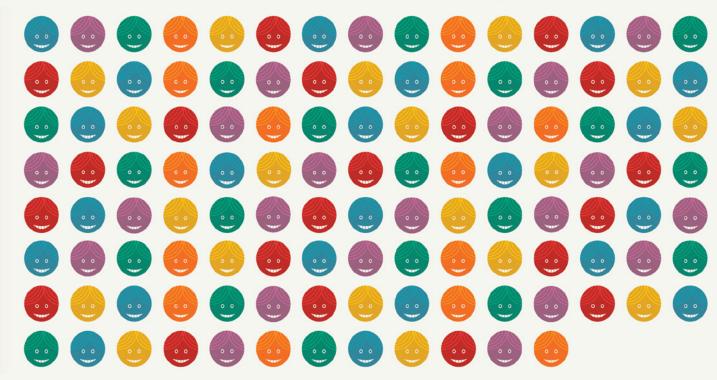
Congratulations to 159 Masonic Lodges for assembling and delivering kits to children in their communities.

In 2010, we provided



29,261 children

with prevent tooth decay kits, an increase of over 640%





The Grand Lodge of Texas

JAMES F. BRUMIT Grand Master



P.O. BOX 446 WACO, TEXAS 76703

ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS

NOTICE TO LODGE WORSHIPFUL MASTERS AND SECRETARIES

After the adoption of the Grand Master's recommendation regarding Article 276a, now, in addition to the Worshipful Master, both the Senior & Junior Wardens must comply with the following rules: (1) They shall be proficient to properly open and close the EA, FC, MM and MM Lodge of Sorrow in the manner prescribed by the Committee on Work and approved by the Grand Lodge. The only exception to this requirement is that the member has a current A, B or C certificate from the Committee on Work. (2) To the satisfaction of the members of their Lodge, they shall have completed a Grand Lodge approved course in the administration of their duties or the Lodge Instruction for Effectiveness program (L.I.F.E.) under the supervision of the Masonic Education and Service Committee. The L.I.F.E. program is to be administered by a Lodge Counselor appointed by the Worshipful Master. The only alternative to this requirement is having attended a Wardens Retreat and that a copy of the Diploma is to be attached to the Form 101 which is completed by the lodge secretary prior to installation.

Questions are already arising about this subject and I strongly urge lodges to satisfy these requirements at least one month in advance of the installation date as no Wardens Retreats are scheduled in 2012 until after lodge installations.

I further suggest that all lodges make their members aware that the 2012 Wardens Retreats will be as follows:

August, 3, 4 and 5th – Houston Shrine Temple August 10, 11 and 12th – Dallas (working on location) August 24, 25 and 26th – Corpus Christi at the Radison Beachfront Hotel.



It has been said that "It's not enough for us to remember the Alamo", we must teach Texas history to our children so they will remember as well! As Masons, we should also make every effort to mention those among the heroes of Texas who were Masons.

In an effort to preserve and promote our history, the Grand Lodge of Texas History Committee has asked that all lodges contact their local government leaders and request resolutions that remember March 2nd as TEXAS INDEPENDENCE DAY, and the week that includes March 2nd as TEXAS WEEK, as per Texas Law, by issuing a proclamation of such. A sample proclamation, and an example of the letter that can be sent by the Lodge to local government officials, are posted on the Grand Lodge of Texas Website.

As Texas Masons, we are particularly proud that so many of the leaders for Texas Independence were members of our fraternity. Including Stephen F. Austin, David Crockett, Juan Sequin, James Bowie, William Barrett Travis, Lorenzo De Zavala, and many others. It is also important to note that these leaders included both Mexican and American Masons who loved liberty and freedom.

Texas Masonic Retirement Center





Widows Resource Guide

Texas Masonic Retirement Center welcomes you.

We are delighted you may become a resident of the Texas Masonic Retirement Center. We offer you the finest accommodations and amenities.

We hope you will take time to check out our variety of apartments and duplexes, payment options, photo tour, and testimonies of our residents sharing their personal experience at our TMRC website.

We offer beautiful, relaxing accommodations amid 100 acres of sweeping grassland, wildflowers, and a century-old pecan orchard.

Highlights of Services:

Living Accommodations
Activities
Meals
Transportation
Housekeeping
Wellness Center
Beauty Shop

Country Store

Eligibility Requirements for Masonic Widows:

The widows, wives, mothers, nevermarried daughters, and never-married sisters of a Texas Master Mason and members of a Texas Chapter Order of the Eastern Star.

When a widow of a Master Mason applies for admission, she must have been:

Continuously married to the eligible Mason for a minimum of 3 years prior to death.

The eligible Mason must also have been in good standing for the 5 years preceding the date of application.

Texas Masonic Retirement Center is an independent living center, rather than a nursing home. <u>All applicants must</u> be capable of independent living

Please visit our website or contact us for more information.

www.txmrc.org

817.275.2893

2 Ways to Enter into TMRC for Masonic Widows:

- 1. Fee for Service contact TMRC
 - Includes an initial deposit and daily rate
- Total Asset Turnover contact Masonic Children & Family Services of Texas at 877.203.9111

This includes but not limited to:

All real estate & personal property
Cash in banks
Automobiles
Monthly retirement income
(including Social Security)

Note: It is important to note that transfers of property or major gifts that occur within a <u>5 year period prior</u> to the date of application may be grounds for disqualification.

What the resident receives in return is total care for the rest of her life. This is all-inclusive. The resident also receives a monthly allotment for spending money.

One of the first, famous Texas Ranger Captains was Isaac Watts Burton, who also was a Texas Mason (Milam 40 in Nacogdoches). Burton was elected captain of a company of Rangers on November 28, 1835, four days after the Texas "Consultation" (prior to independence) established a "corps of rangers" and, thus, became one of the first in a long line of Masonic Texas Rangers.

Burton was in the battle at San Jacinto in April 1836, after which Texas was fearful of another Mexican invasion despite Santa Anna's surrender. The remaining Mexican army under General Vincente Filisola had marched into Texas with incredible speed, but it was in desperate need of guns, ammunition, and supplies.

Mexico began sending supplies by ship under fraudulent manifests to avoid the successful Texas Navy (but that is another story). On May 29, 1836, General Thomas J. Rusk (commanding the Texas Army, including the Texas Rangers, after General Sam Houston was wounded at San Jacinto) ordered Captain Burton and his company of twenty Rangers to scout the lower Texas coast for Mexican ships. A few days later, the Rangers learned that an unmarked, two-masted schooner had been spotted at



anchor in Compano Bay, about twenty miles northeast of present day Corpus Christi. The Rangers rode to the location and made a cold camp in a hidden area.

At daybreak, two unarmed Rangers signaled the ship, which raised an American flag. The Rangers did not reply, and the schooner then raised the Mexican banner. The Rangers yelled to the ship in Spanish to send a boat, and one promptly came ashore with the ship's captain and four sailors. The Rangers captured the captain and crew, after which sixteen heavily armed Rangers rowed out and captured the ship – the *Watchman* – with no Ranger casualties.

Burton was ordered to take the ship to the port of Velasco, but he was delayed by unfavorable winds. On June 17th, two other Mexican vessels came into the Bay. Burton ordered the captain of the *Watchman* to raise a Mexican banner and invite the masters of the other two ships to come aboard for a glass of grog. They did and were captured. The Rangers then captured the other two ships – the *Commanche* and the *Fanny Butler*. All ships then were taken to Galveston for condemnation.

The ships carried a cargo desperately needed by the Texas Army, including food, muskets, and ammunition valued at nearly \$25,000. Burton later became a major and commander of the corps of Rangers.

The success of Captain Burton and his men was an early contribution to the mystique of the Texas Rangers for combining fearless bravery, fighting skills, and ingenuity. The story gained national attention when the story was described in a letter published in the Kentucky GAZETTE saying three ships were captured by a "troop of horses."

The capture of the Mexican ships also became unique Ranger lore. It is the only time in history that the Texas Rangers have served on water. A leading Texas historian, T.R. Fehrenbach, said that Burton and his men thereafter went into song and story as "The Horse Marines."

Mr. Doke is a Dallas lawyer and a member of the Grand Lodge of Texas History Committee. This article is part of the ongoing Texas Masonic History education series from the GL Texas History Committee.

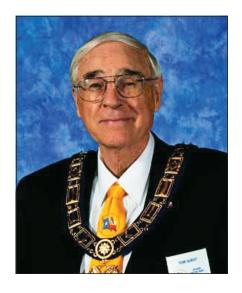
Grand Junior Warden Continued from page 2

they have a daughter. Their son Joel married Melinda Colin in 2006 and they have one son and one daughter. Joel is a member of St. Alban's Lodge No. 1455 where he is the current Worshipful Master while Donnie is a member of Bellaire Lodge No. 1336.

Wiggins began his professional career with Sun Oil Company in Lafayette, Louisiana before returning to Liberty in 1980. He began graduate studies at Texas A&M in 1987 and received master and doctoral degrees in petroleum engineering in 1988 and 1991, respectively. Following graduation, the family moved to Norman, Oklahoma where Wiggins served on the petroleum and geological engineering faculty at

the University of Oklahoma for 15 years. In 2006, he returned to Texas when he joined William M. Cobb & Associates, Inc., an international oil and gas consulting firm located in Dallas. In January 2011 he was named President of the firm.

Wiggins is a Distinguished Member of the Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE) and has served on the SPE Board of Directors. In addition, he has been the Executive Editor for *SPE Production and Facilities* and was the General Chairman of the 2003 SPE Production and Operations Symposium. His technical expertise allows him to travel extensively to many of the oil and gas producing regions of the world where he consults with international oil companies, national oil companies, and international service companies.



Message from the Grand Secretary...

Reflect on Masonry in 2012

'Tis the season of Reflection and Remembrance. The Grand Lodge Officers are carrying the torch of Freemasonry throughout the State and Nation as a beacon of hope, encouragement, and good will. The 176th Grand Annual Communication provided a successful closing of the 2011 regime and the beginning of the 2012 regime. PGM Gene Carnes did an excellent job in conducting the Communication and urging the Craft to "always do right" as a Mason. Grand Master Jim Brumit and the 2012 Line Officers has already provided strong leadership this year and urge each member to

promote Masonry in everything you do, promote peace and harmony within your Masonic District, and to build Lodge members skills in attracting and retaining Lodge members. The 2012 Line will use the Conference of Grand Masters of Masons in North America to expand their leadership skills and to become aware of successful Masonic activities in other Grand Jurisdictions. The annual February conference has long been a valuable source of information and an opportunity to display Texas leadership. Many Texas Grand Lodge officials have been selected to serve on the National level throughout the years. For example, J. Carroll Hinsley presented the Keynote Address to the Grand Master's Conference in 1965 when he was Grand Master.

In the 40th Annual Conference of Grand Masters, GM Hinsley remembered the words of the Prophet Joel, "Your old men shall dream dreams; your young men shall see visions," and went on to discuss "What is Masonry?" He noted that "Masonry is an association of good men bound together by a philosophy of life, which requires a belief in the Supreme Being, in eternal life, and in the Brotherhood of Man, which has gathered together those eternal principles and fundamental truths that have been proven necessary for right thinking and moral living; and presents them to its members, in a system of symbolic and allegorical teaching, for use in establishing their own philosophies of life and personal codes of moral living for the enrichment of their lives and the improvement of society."

I urge the Brethren of Texas to search deep within their souls and determine their belief in Freemasonry in 2012. Take advantage of the Lodge educational programs, and attend the Grand Master's Conferences, Workshops, Warden's Retreats, and Historical Celebrations. Above all, study the many volumes of Masonic writings and develop your Masonic philosophy. Review "The Charges of a Freemason" in the front of our Grand Lodge Laws. Discuss your thoughts with learned Masons in your Lodge. By doing so, I am convinced that you will become a better person and a better Mason. I suspect that you may find that your private thoughts fall in line with the definition outlined by PGM Hinsley. Best of all, you will be better prepared for the direction that the 2012 Grand Lodge Line Officers lead us. Help them with their dreams and help yourself with your visions.

Texas Masonic History Save these Dates

March 3rd: Alamo Observance

March 24th: Fannin/Goliad Observance

April 21st: San Jacinto Observance

May 6th: Second Reunion of the Major John B. Jones Masonic Rangering Company - Fredericksburg Tx Sincerely and Fraternally,

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Tom Guest

2012 MASONIC MERCHANDISE

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City/State: Zip:				
	Title: District:			
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	521JB-C	Charm – w/Grand Master's Logo	\$ 5.00	
	532JB	Button Hook Tie Chain – with Charm	\$ 10.00	
	532JBEXP	Expandable Tie Chain – with Charm	\$ 25.00	
	531JB	SIM/LTHR Embossed Writing Folder	\$ 20.00	
	541JB	Pocket Calendar 2012 (not shown)	\$ 5.00	
	534JB	Playing Cards–w/Grand Master's Logo	\$6.00 ea. or 2/\$10.00	
	520JB	Bronze Coin	\$ 5.00	
	524JB	Enamel Coin (front and back of coin shown)	\$ 10.00	
	525JB	Silver Coin	\$ 80.00	
	543JB	Coffee Cup, 16 oz. Thermal	\$ 10.00	
	526JB-B	Large Buckle – Bronze w/ Grand Master's Logo	\$ 30.00	
	526JB	Large Buckle – Enamel w/ Grand Master's Logo	\$ 30.00	
	522JB-B	Small Buckle – Bronze w/ Grand Master's Logo	\$ 25.00	
	522JB	Small Buckle – Enamel w/Grand Master's Logo	\$ 25.00	
	527JB	Bolo Tie – w/ Grand Master's Logo	\$ 15.00	
	530JB	3" Car Emblem – w/Grand Master's Logo Logo Decals	\$ 15.00	
	528JB 529JB	Tail Light Decals (pair) – Member S&C (not shown)	\$ 1.00 \$ 5.00	
	529JBPM	Tail Light Decals (pair) – Merriber S&C (not shown) Tail Light Decals (pair) – Past Master (not shown)	\$ 5.00	
	529JB-8	8" Window Decal – S&C	\$ 10.00	
	536JB-MSH	Cap – Mesh/Tan Soft Crown	\$ 15.00	
	536JB	Cap – Navy/Tan Pro Style	\$ 15.00	
	533JB	Shirt - Light Tan/3 Button Specify: M L XL XXL XXXL	\$ 30.00	
	533JB-W	Shirt – White/4 Button Specify: □ M □ L □ XL □ XXL □ XXXL	\$ 30.00	
	540JB-R	Tie – Red w/Grand Master's Logo	\$ 30.00	
	540JB-RZ	Tie – Red w/Grand Master's Logo Zipper (not shown)	\$ 35.00	
	540JB-S	Tie – Silver w/Grand Master's Logo	\$ 30.00	
	540JB-SZ	Tie – Silver w/Grand Master's Logo Zipper (not shown)	\$ 35.00	
	BLBNT	Ladies Bluebonnet Pin/Pendent	\$ 8.00	
	BLBNT-C	Ladies Necklace Chain Gold or Silver Tone	\$ 5.00	
	VISOR	Ladies White Visor w/Bluebonnet (not shown)	\$ 12.00	
	PUZL	Masonic Puzzle Box (not shown)	\$ 35.00	
	BAG	Ladies Lt. Blue Bag w/Bluebonnet	\$ 15.00	
	533JB-LW	Ladies White Knit Shirt w/Bluebonnet Specify: M L XL XXL XXXL	\$ 30.00	
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THE TEXAS BLUEBONNET

Bluebonnets have been loved since the settlers first came to Texas. These flowers are found growing naturally only in Texas. Unofficially, there are six state flowers (all varieties of the bluebonnet). The most recognized is the Lupinus texensis, with pointed leaves and stalks tipped in white. Historian Jack Macguire wrote, "It's not only the state flower but also a kind of floral trademark almost as well known to outsiders as cowboy boots and the Stetson hat." It was so named because of its color and resemblance to a woman's sunbonnet.

For my father's year as Grand Master of Texas Masons, I have chosen this Texas symbol for the First Lady's project. All proceeds will be donated to the General Fund and is dedicated in the name of my Mother, Elizabeth Brumit. Thank you for your support.



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Texas Masons – CLICK – SNAP – POP... "Capture the Best!" 2012 Photo Contest

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The "**Photograph Contest"** is underway for **2012.**

We'll soon be heading into spring, grab your cameras and start, *Clicking -Snapping* and *Popping*! You may submit up to 3 photos that you have shot in the past three years.

Please do not resubmit any photos previously submitted to the GL photo contest.

There will be three categories to enter; **Landscape**, **Portrait** (*person*(*s*) *posed*) and **Snapshots** (*open concept*). *All shot in Texas*, *please!*

Each category will reward a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Plus there will be a Best of Show winner.

We will also have a very **Special Category** this year ...**Lodge Altars.** There will be only one winner in this special category!

We want shots of: Texas scenes, Masons, lodges, events, good family fun shots.

Email your photo entries to: <u>jdarrell@jdkcom</u>. <u>com</u> please write "Texas Photo Contest" in the subject line.

To view last's winners, please go to: <u>www.grandlodgeoftexas.org/node/3684</u>

If you don't have email, then you can send your photo print entries by US Mail to me at:

Photo Contest % J. Darrell Kirkley P. O. Box 700383 Dallas, Texas 75370 Just about anything that you desire to photograph. Please submit a detailed description along with your photos. The deadline is September 1, 2012, (*cut-off date*).

This year the judges will be: Dick Brown, Erik Briseno, Jerry Smith, Rob Kyker, Darrell Hefley and J. Darrell Kirkley.

Click, Snap and Pop...Have Fun!
Thank you,
J. Darrell Kirkley
Director of Photography
The Grand Lodge Texas History Committee

