


# The HILL CITY LIGHT

January 2019

<p><b>2016 - 2017 Lodge Officers</b></p> <p>W.M. Bob Wheelless, P.M.          S.W. Aaron Evans          J.W. Luke Michels          Treasurer Kent Kinkade, P.M.          Secretary Philippe Dewailly, P.M.          Chaplain Chuck Stewart, P.M.          S.D. Richard Garrett          J.D. Elan Mendoza          J.S. Richard Bardin, P.M.          Marshal Hunt Armistead          M.C. Doug Freyburger, P.M.          Tiler Dennis Hill, P.M.</p>	<p><b>Hill City No. 456 A.F. &amp; A.M.</b>          Chartered June 10, 1876</p> <p>Austin Scottish Rite Theatre &amp; Museum          18th St. at Lavaca St., Austin, Texas          Mail: P.O. Box 1456, Austin, Texas 78767-1456          Phone: (512) 655-9858          Email: secretary@hillcitylodge.org          Website: www.hillcitylodge.org</p> <p>1876  2019</p> <p><u>Stated Meeting:</u> First Tuesday at 7:30 pm          Dinner at 6:30 pm</p> <p><u>Called Meetings:</u> Other Tuesdays at 7:00 pm          Dinner at 6:30 pm</p>
<p><b>Work Schedule</b></p>	<p><b>From the East</b></p>
<p><b>January 2019</b></p> <p>January 2 New Years! (Dark)          January 8 Stated Meeting          Family night          January 15 Eastern Star Members          Food Committee          January 22 Hill City Dark          MWSA Meeting          January 29 EA Turn-in          Fellowcraft Degree</p> <p><b>February 2019</b></p> <p>February 5 Stated Meeting          February 12 EA Practice          February 19 Family night          Service Awards          February 26 EA Practice          Food Committee</p> <p><b>March 2019</b></p> <p>March 5 Stated Meeting          March 12 EA Practice</p>	<p>Brethren,</p> <p>First I would like to look back on our accomplishments for the first half of my year as Worshipful Master of our great lodge. Unfortunately for us we had to cancel our planned July 17th Independence Day celebration with the National Sojourners honoring us with their ceremonial flag presentation because the building had a problem with the water lines. We conferred a Fellow Craft Degree on July 24th. We hosted the Quarterly Meeting of the District 50 Masters, Wardens and Secretaries Association on July 31. There were close to fifty Brothers in attendance and twenty-one of them were our members. Our Brothers Larry Miller, PM and Scrappy King, PM were present and updated all present on their progress with raising funds for sponsorship of a legacy to the Dell Children's Center.</p> <p>Our Most Esteemed Tiler Emeritus, Brother Sam Henson passed away in early August. We conducted his funeral service at Brother Billy Peel's funeral on August 4th. Our Brother Kent Kinkade, PM, presided and gave one of the best funeral eulogies that it has been my privilege to hear. Thank you Brother Kinkade.</p> <p>Also in August we discussed the need to increase our degree fees from their current amounts. At that time EA fees were \$75 plus a \$5 donation to the George Washington Masonic Memorial. The Fellowcraft Degree fees were \$80 and the Master's Degree fees were \$55 plus \$25 contribution to the Texas Masonic Charity</p>

From the East (continued)	From the West
<p>Foundation. When this discussion took place our lodge had no applicants ready to be advanced or initiated. I made a motion to increase our fees, contributions and donations so that the total of each degree equaled \$100. After discussion my motion passed. We conferred a Master's Degree on August 28th.</p> <p>We read a petition for the Mysteries of Free Masonry at our September 4th Stated Meeting. We received through our Grand Lodge a request from the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma to confer the three degrees in Masonry on one of their candidates. We conferred his EA Degree on September 25th. He was in Austin working for the Federal Government but ended up returning to Oklahoma before we could finish his Texas esoteric work. The Brother doesn't know what he missed.</p> <p>We were honored and privileged to have our District Deputy Grand Master Right Worshipful Raul</p> <p>Scully make his second official visit at our October 2nd Stated Meeting. On October 16th, we hosted a family night to honor those among us who were eligible to receive their 25 year and 40 year service awards. We conferred an EA Degree on October 23rd. Finally in October I singled out, acknowledged and thanked our Brother Master of Ceremonies, Doug Freyburger, PM, for his truly informative and intersecting Masonic Moment Presentations.</p> <p>I was unable to attend our November Stated Meeting and I would like to thank our Senior Warden, Aaron Evans for pro teeming the meeting. We honored our Brother Veterans at a Veterans family night on November 20th. Our Brother Senior Deacon,</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Continued on page 4</i></p>	<p>Greetings, Brethren.</p> <p>I hope all of you enjoyed happy holidays with a successful start to your new year. January heralds much activity for Hill City Lodge and for Masonry in Texas.</p> <p>This month is the annual Grand Lodge Communication. Anyone interested in reading the resolutions and recommendations that will be put to a vote this year can see them by opening "grandlodgeoftexas.org" in a browser and clicking on the "member portal". We hope to see as many of the brethren as possible because there are important changes to be proposed in Grand Lodge which effect Hill City and other lodges in District 50.</p> <p>As Brother Freyburger mentioned in his Masonic education in Stated Meeting, Masonry contains elements of direct, as well as republican and federated democracy. It's both interesting and essential to debate these proposals and make well-informed decisions about what changes to make in the craft.</p> <p>For instance, this year there are resolutions requiring any form of Masonic education to be pre-approved before being presented in Lodge. Another resolution would hold any crime other than a traffic violation to be a Masonic violation. In another resolution, all wardens and masters of lodges would be required to attain at least a C certificates in order to hold office. Debate on these subjects is sure to be lively.</p> <p>In Stated Meeting this month, three petitions to receive the mysteries were read. Should these candidates be accepted by the Lodge, it means Hill City will be having quite a number of degrees to perform in the future. It's more important than ever that brethren attend Lodge and participate in degree practice. Even more importantly, stop by and meet all of your new Masonic Brethren.</p> <p>This month the District 50 Masters, Wardens, and Secretaries meeting falls on Tuesday, January 22nd (hence, the Lodge will be dark so everyone can attend that). It will be held at University Lodge which is located in the York Rite building. Even if you're not an officer of the Lodge, you are welcome to attend MWSA meetings... it's a great opportunity to meet Masons from other lodges in the district, and to discuss and help improve the state of Masonry in central Texas.</p> <p>Thank all of you for making Hill City and upstanding lodge. We hope to share fellowship, sit in Lodge, and work alongside all of you during 2019.</p> <p>Aaron Evans Senior Warden, Hill City 456</p>

## January 2019 Crossword Puzzle

### Across

1. Cookbook abbr.
5. Dynamite inventor
10. Clothe
14. Assortment
15. Adhesive
16. Acknowledge
17. Cost to cross
18. Dad's rival
19. Copter's forerunner
20. Could be black Friday
23. Blue books?
24. \_\_\_-friendly
25. Bluish gray
28. "Dig in!"
30. Plant tissue
34. Sushi condiment
36. "\_\_\_ Baby Baby" (Linda Ronstadt hit)
38. 1969 Peace Prize grp.
39. Immoral
43. A pint, maybe
44. "C'\_\_\_ la vie!"
45. Differ
46. Austrian province whose capital is Innsbruck
49. Ring bearer, maybe
51. Reduces to bits
52. Unit of pressure
54. Biblical shepherd
56. Slammers
62. Sundae topper, perhaps
63. Magnetic induction unit
64. Nukes
66. Freudian topics
67. Circuit
68. Biblical birthright seller
69. Strengthen, with "up"
70. Depends (on)
71. Fraction of a newton

### Down

1. "Sesame Street" watcher
2. Alliance
3. Pie perch
4. Guiding light
5. 1940's-60's world leader
6. Calmer
7. Delivered
8. Agent
9. See
10. rage
11. "... there is no \_\_\_ angel but Love": Shakespeare
12. Achy
13. War losers, usually
21. Amorphous creature
22. Census datum
25. Exertion
26. Stool
27. Daisylike bloom
29. Blood carrier
31. Air freshener option
32. Carry away, in a way
33. Conventions
35. "Rocks"
37. "Get \_\_\_!"
40. Login
41. Doctor
42. Profitless
47. Good-for-nothing
48. Auction offering
50. Cereal fruit
53. À la king?
55. Drewon
56. Keats, for one
57. "Cogito \_\_\_ sum"
58. Advertising sign
59. Band member
60. "Duck soup!"
61. Attention \_\_\_
65. "So \_\_\_ me!"

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## December 2018 Puzzle Solution

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Frank Hubbard Gore

Frank Hubbard Gore, 69, passed away Thursday August 9, 2018 in his home surrounded by loved ones. He was born on March 4, 1949 in Okmulgee, Oklahoma to Clyde and Medrith Gore, who predeceased him.

He is survived by his wife, Valerie, his son Joshua and wife Jenny; daughter Vanessa Fielding and her husband Chuck. Known affectionately as "Ooh-Daddy", he had four grandchildren, Cassidy and Wyatt Fielding and Avery and Jackson Gore. He is also survived by his sister Joann Banks and her husband John, sister Beth Cole and husband Earl and his brother George and wife Glenda, as well as nine nieces and nephews.

Brother Frank Hubbard Gore was a proud member of Texas Free Masonry for more than 30 years. Frank Gore was initiated as an Entered Apprentice on January 14, 1982, Passed to the Degree of Fellow Craft on January 13, 1983, and Raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason on July 12, 1988 at LaPorte Lodge No. 857 A.F. & A. M. Brother Gore affiliated with Hill City Lodge No. 456 A.F. & A. M. on October 4, 1988 and became an Endowed Member on June 2, 2005.

And so it has come to pass, a Brother Master Mason having completed all the design's laid down on the Trestleboard of Life, has answered the summons of the Grand Warden of Heaven and Earth and has entered into the Grand Lodge over which the Supreme Grand Master of the Universe presides.

From the East (continued)

Richard Garrett, and a member of the National Sojourners were finally able to present to our lodge their wonderfully patriotic flag presentation. If you have not seen that performance it is intensely moving and awe inspiring. Finally in November we elected Brother David Lee Kinser to act as proxy at the January Grand Annual Communication in the event that none of the three principle officers attend.

I contracted bronchial pneumonia in late November and early December which kept me from presiding at the December Stated Meeting. Once again thank you Brother Senior Warden, Aaron Evans for stepping up and presiding as Worshipful Master Pro tem.

We read three petitions for the Degrees in Masonry at our January 8th Stated Meeting. If all bodes well we will have three EA Degrees in March. I was pleased to hear a recommendation from our Brother Weston Floyd, PM, that

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The Order was created by Rob Morris in 1850 when he was teaching at the Eureka Masonic College in Richland, Mississippi. While confined by illness, he set down the principles of the order in his *Rosary of the Eastern Star*. By 1855, he had organized a "Supreme Constellation" in New York, which chartered chapters throughout the United States.

In 1866, Dr. Morris started working with Robert Macoy, and handed the Order over to him while Morris was traveling in the Holy Land. Macoy organized the current system of Chapters, and modified Dr. Morris' *Rosary* into a *Ritual*.

On December 1, 1874, Queen Esther Chapter No. 1 became the first Prince Hall Affiliate chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star when it was established in Washington, D.C. by Thornton Andrew Jackson.<sup>[3]</sup>

The "General Grand Chapter" was formed in Indianapolis, Indiana on November 6, 1876. Committees formed at that time created the *Ritual of the Order of the Eastern Star* in more or less its current form.<sup>[4]</sup>

The emblem of the Order is a five-pointed star with the white ray of the star pointing downwards towards the manger. The letters FATAL surrounding the center pentagon in the emblem stands for "Fairest Among Thousands, Altogether Lovely," a reference to Song of Songs.<sup>[5]</sup> In the Chapter room, the downward-pointing white ray points to the West. The character-building lessons taught in the Order are stories inspired by Biblical figures:

**Adah** (Jephthah's daughter, from the Book of Judges). In Eastern Star, Adah is represented by the color blue and a sword and veil. Adah represents the virtue of obedience to duty.<sup>[5]</sup>

**Ruth**, the widow from the Book of Ruth. In Eastern Star, Ruth is represented by the color yellow and a sheaf of barley. Ruth represents the virtue of religious principles.<sup>[5]</sup>

**Esther**, the wife from the Book of Esther. In Eastern Star, Esther is represented by the color white and a crown and scepter. Esther represents the virtue of loyalty.<sup>[5]</sup>

**Martha**, sister of Mary and Lazarus, from the Gospel of Luke and the Gospel of John. In Eastern Star, Martha is represented by the color green and a broken column. Martha represents the virtue of endurance in trial.<sup>[5]</sup>

**Electa** (the "elect lady" from II John), the mother. In Eastern Star, Electa is represented by the color red and a chalice. Electa represents the virtue of endurance of persecution.

Wikipedia

## Obituary

### Robert C. McCarty

Brother Robert C. McCarty born January 15, 1928 to Mr. & Mrs. G.C. McCarty passed on December 18, 2017 peacefully in his sleep. He was born in the Waco Hospital and raised in McDade and Yokum, Texas. After graduating Yokum High School in 1945 he enlisted in the Navy at the age of 18. He completed submarine training at the base in New London, CT and received special training and was part of a submarine task unit that participated in a, "secrecy veiled", voyage aboard the USS Boarfish under the polar ice cap off the Siberian coast. After receiving his discharge papers he attended The University of Texas on the GI Bill. He earned a degree of BFA in 1952, majoring in Commercial Advertising. He began his career with the Texas Highway Department and enlisted as a reservist with the Army. At the Highway Department he was a graphic artist for the mapping division and became integral in producing the Texas highway map, and was creator of the famed, "Litter Critter", the mascot for the "Stamp Out Litter", campaign that received recognition. With the reserves he retired CWO4 and was awarded meritorious service. A member of the Scottish Rite and a Texas Freemason.

Robert is survived by the love of his life, whom he married in '49, Melba Lois McCarty, three children and in-law raised in Austin, Roxanne Kline and husband Dan, Robin Stathos, and Robert R. McCarty. Four grandchildren Brad Kline and wife Morgan, Traci Kline, Jason Stathos, and Ryan Stathos and wife Jessica. And great grandchildren Emily, Evelyn, Forrest, Kathryn, Witten, Connolly and one on the way. "RC" was a good man, a good father and he loved his family.

Brother Robert C. McCarty was a proud member of Hill City Lodge No. 456 A.F. & A.M for more than 57 years. Robert Flores was initiated as an Entered Apprentice on April 12, 1960, Passed to the Degree of Fellow Craft on May 10, 1960, and Raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason on June 28, 1960. Brother McCarty received his 50 Year Service Award from the Grand Lodge of Texas on September 9, 2010.

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## From the South

Brethren,

I hope you and your family had a wonderful year in 2018 as well as a joyous holiday season and Happy New Year. My vision for this year is to continue our excellence in our degree work, as well as our charity work; making new Masons, and enjoying the fun that fellowship brings.

This Masonic year is half over and there is still a lot going on. I am anticipating that Hill City will be conferring several degrees in the coming weeks. We have an EA examination on Jan 29th as well as three new petitions that were read at the December stated meeting. If you have been looking for a good reason to get back into Masonry at Hill City, come attend some degree practices and take part in a degree. We will be glad to have you!

As we look forward to a new year let me remind you of some things we were taught when we first began our Masonic journey, these should be constant resolutions for all of us as Masons. In 2019 I resolve to ever keep in mind the three great duties I assumed when I became a Mason; to my God, my neighbor, and myself. 1. I will refer to God with reverence and ask for his aid in all my undertakings. 2. I will act upon the square and do unto others as I would have him do unto me. 3. I will avoid all irregularity and intemperance which may impair my faculties or debase the dignity of my profession. By reminding myself of these things I hope to become a better man, a better Mason, and a better leader.

Here's to a prosperous and blessed New Year!

Luke Michels  
Junior Warden, Hill City Lodge 456

## From the East (continued)

instead of having each degree separately that we open an EA Lodge on a Saturday and confer the three degrees in one day. We have not decided on an exact date and whether we will serve breakfast or lunch. We may do both.

We have the distinct privilege of honoring our Sisters of the Eastern Star on January 15th. They play such an important role in Masonry that we would be remiss in not recognizing their importance. The Annual Grand Lodge Communication is from January 17th to 19th this year. Most of your officers plan to attend. We will be dark on January 22nd in order to attend the quarterly meeting of the District 50 Master, Wardens and Secretaries Association to be held at T. Neal Porter Lodge. Finally on January 29th we will have a Brother turn in his EA proficiently work and have the Fellow Craft Degree conferred upon him. Our next Stated Meeting will be held on February 5th. Welcome to the New Year. I hope to see you in the Lodge!

Bob Wheelless, P.M.  
Worshipful Master, Hill City 456

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## Food Committee for January 8th Stated Meeting

George W Botbyl	Myron James Fischer	Russell Monroe Hur	Khalil H. Sakakini
Alfred Williams Boulter	Milton Eugene Francis	George Albert Pipes	Calvin Stokes Story, Jr.
Vernon L. Bracewell, Jr.	Richard Lee Garrett	Isadore Reichek	Raymond Lum Toungate, II
Bradley Cooper Cole	Frank Hubbard Gore	Robert Lehman Roberts, Jr.	Alfred Munoz Vasquez
David Edward Ferguson	William Donn Haffelder	Michael William Roy	Weldon L. Welch
	George Curtis Holland, Jr.		

### Food Committee Meeting is on Tuesday, November 27th at 6 pm.

The business at the food committee meeting is to set the menu for the coming stated meeting. Then, on the afternoon of the stated meeting, your presence is earnestly solicited. Help cook if willing and able, or just sit in the kitchen and keep the Stewards company – it gives our future Masters the opportunity to get to know you.