

PAST MASTERS

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| Raymond K. Jones | * | 1956-57 |
| Ivan S. Johnston | * | 1957-58 |
| Thomas E. Sawyer | ! * | 1958-59 |
| Alexander Burr, Jr. | * | 1959-60 |
| Benjamin C. Heald, Jr. | * | 1960-61 |
| Decourse A. Williams | * | 1961-62 |
| C. Danny Wilson | ! * | 1962-63 |
| Garland W. Hendricks | * | 1963-64 |
| M. Fred Wellman | * | 1965-66 |
| Edward L. Lowe | * | 1966-67 |
| Thomas E. Walters | * | 1967-68 |
| Gayland D. Sisk, Sr. | * | 1968-69 |
| Reo C. Knowles | ! * | 1969-70 |
| R.E. Rodgers | * | 1970-71 |
| J.B. Green | * | 1971-72 |
| Maurice Rushing | * | 1972-73 |
| John L. Thompson | * | 1973-74 |
| William A. Shirley | * | 1974-75 |
| Theodore Lyman, Jr. | ! * | 1975-76 |
| Jimmy A. Trammell | * | 1977-78 |
| John W. Brady | * | 1978-79 |
| R.R. (Ricky) Dixon | * | 1979-80 |
| Albert J. Kile | * | 1980-81 |
| Clarence A. Robinson | * | 1981-82 |
| Robert W. Cole | * | 1982-83 |
| T.R. Malin, Jr | * | 1983-84 |
| Roys C. Jones | * | 1984-85 |
| Paul J. Freeman | * | 1985-86 |
| Charles A. Reid, Jr. | * | 1986-87 |
| Norman Ray, Sr. | * | 1987-88 |
| James M. Pelfrey | ! * | 1988-89 |
| John Adams | ! * | 1989-90 |
| Connie H. Henry | ! * | 1990-91 |
| Billy J. Cryer | * | 1991-92 |
| Wm. Vanlandingham | * | 1992-93 |
| Fred R. Carlisle | ! * | 1993-94 |
| Allen H. Tuell | ! * | 1994-95 |
| Jack L. Edwards | ! * | 1995-96 |
| Arthur J. Chesser | * | 1996-97 |
| Robert T. Coursey | ! * | 1997-98 |
| T. Jerry Marr | ! * | 1998-99 |
| J. Gordon Parham | * | 1999-00 |
| W. E. Bradley | * | 2000-01 |
| Ronald A. Cantrell | ! * | 2001-02 |
| Tony R. Trammell | * | 2002-03 |
| Timothy A. Trammell | * | 2003-04 |
| James P. Murphy | * | 2004-05 |
| Richard K. Barnard | * | 2005-06 |
| Ronald R. Hibler | * | 2006-07 |
| Terry A. Williams | * | 2007-08 |
| Kevin S. Barnard | * | 2008-09 |
| Corydon S. Taylor, Jr. | * | 2009-10 |
| Ronald C. Wise | ! * | 2010-11 |
| Michael J. Dyer | * | 2012-13 |

AFFILIATED PAST MASTERS

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| William S. Dixon, Jr | * | James W. Bingham | * |
| Andrew N. Scott | * | John A. Smith | * |
| E.K. Pollard | * | Don H. Montgomery | ! * |
| Bobby G. Newby | * | Dick Barbour | ! * |
| Fred E. Allen, P.G.M. | * | Larry P. Day | * |
| Dennis Floyd | * | W.L. Hall | * |
| Ken Kruse | ! * | Floyd L. Pope | * |
| Charles W. Briley | * | Richard Farr | * |
| Billy M. Rowell | ! * | Rick Mick | ! * |
| Ira Don Richardson | * | Roy Bragg | * |
| Kevin Kelly | * | | |

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May 2015

Brethren,

A few lines to review where we have been:

The first known Masonic meeting ever held in Texas was in February 1828 when Stephen F. Austin, Ira Ingram (who had his land in what would be Waller County) and 5 other masons met in San Felipe. They met to draw up a petition to get a dispensation to form new Masonic lodge in San Felipe Texas. The petition was submitted to the grand lodge in Mexico City. The petition was never acted on.

The second effort was organized in Brazoria County in March of 1835 for the purpose of establishing a lodge in Texas. After meeting under an oak tree near the town of Brazoria the six Masons attending decided to apply to the Grand Lodge of Louisiana for a dispensation to create a new lodge in Texas. After the dispensation was issued the first Texas lodge, called Holland Lodge No. 36, was formed and opened. It was named after John Henry Holland who was the Grand Master of Masons in Louisiana.

John M. Allen delivered the charter for the new lodge to Anson Jones, the first Worshipful Master of Holland Lodge No. 36; just before the battle begin at the San Jacinto battleground. Holland Lodge No. 36 was later changed to Holland No. 1.

By the time the Grand Lodge of Texas was officially constituted 16 April 1838, there were already 25 Lodges in existence in Texas attached to other Grand Lodge jurisdictions.

May 5 2015 Light meal and study

May 12 2015 Family Night. Program TBD

May 19, 2015 Study Alliance with Kiest Lodge @ Kiest

May 26, 2015 Stated meeting. Election of officers for the 2015-2016 year.

Be safe and well, Brethren,

James M Ball III, WM

Who Knew Bugs Bunny was a Mason

Mel Blanc Mid Day Lodge No. 188, Oregon

“Mel” Blanc (May 30, 1908 – July 10, 1989) was an American actor, comedian, and radio personality. Although he began his sixty-plus-year career performing in radio, Blanc is best remembered for his work with Warner Bros. as the voices of Bugs Bunny, and was the original voice of Woody Woodpecker for Universal Pictures. He earned the nickname “The Man of a Thousand Voices”. Blanc is regarded as one of the most influential people in the voice acting industry.

Blanc was born in San Francisco, California to Russian-Jewish parents Frederick and Eva Blank. He was the younger of two children. Growing up, he had a fondness for voices and dialect, which he began at the age of ten. He claimed when he was sixteen, he changed the spelling from “Blank” to “Blanc,” because a teacher told him that he would amount to nothing and be like his name, a “blank.”

Blanc joined The Order of DeMolay as a young man, and was eventually inducted into its Hall of Fame. After graduating high school in 1927, he split his time between leading an orchestra, becoming the youngest conductor in the country at the age of 19, and performing shtick in vaudeville shows around Washington, Oregon, and northern California.

Blanc began his radio career at the age of 19 when in 1927 and provided voices for multiple characters. He moved to Los Angeles in 1932, where he met Estelle Rosenbaum (1909 - 2003), whom he married a year later. Blanc was a regular The Jack Benny Program in various roles, including voicing Benny’s Maxwell automobile (in desperate need of a tune-up)

By 1946, Blanc appeared on over 15 radio programs. His success on The Jack Benny Program led to his own radio show on the CBS Radio Network, The Mel Blanc Show, which ran from September 3, 1946, to June 24, 1947. Blanc also appeared on such other national radio programs as The Abbott and Costello Show, Burns and Allen. During World War II, he appeared as Private Sad Sack on various radio shows.

In December 1936, Mel Blanc joined Leon Schlesinger Productions, and Warner Bros. He soon received his first starring role when he replaced Joe Dougherty as Porky Pig’s voice in Porky’s Duck Hunt, which marked the debut of Daffy Duck, also voiced by Blanc. Blanc became a very prominent vocal artist for Warner Bros., voicing a wide variety of the Looney Tunes characters. Bugs Bunny (whom Blanc made his debut as in 1940’s A Wild Hare).

In 1960, after the expiration of his exclusive contract with Warner Bros., Blanc continued working for WB, but also began providing voices for the TV cartoons produced by Hanna-Barbera such as Barney Rubble of The Flintstones, also doing vocal effects in the Tom and Jerry series from 1963 to 1967. Blanc was the first voice of Toucan Sam in Froot Loops commercials.

In the 1970s, Blanc gave a series of college lectures across the US and appeared in commercials for American Express. He would also collaborate on a special with the Boston-based Shriners Burns Institute called Ounce of Prevention, which became a 30-minute TV special and in the 1988 live-action/animated movie Who Framed Roger Rabbit. Blanc died just a year after the film’s release. His final recording session was for Jetsons: The Movie (1990)

Blanc began smoking cigarettes when he was 9 years old. He continued his pack-a-day habit until he was diagnosed with emphysema, which pushed him to quit at age 77. He died on July 10 at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles, California at the age of 81. Blanc’s will stated his desire to have the inscription on his gravestone read, **“THAT’S ALL FOLKS”**.

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May 2015 Calendar

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| Tuesday | May 5 | 6:30 PM | - | Light Meal |
| | | 7:00 PM | - | Study or Degree Work |
| Thursday | May 7 | 1:00 PM | - | Beauceant |
| Thursday | May 7 | 6:30 PM | - | Covered Dish Dinner |
| | | 7:30 PM | - | RS OES 1086 Stated Meeting |
| Saturday | May 9 | 10:00 AM | - | Templar OES Stated Meeting |
| Saturday | May 9 | 1:30 PM | - | RS Rainbow Stated Meeting |
| Tuesday | May 12 | 6:30 PM | - | Family Night |
| | | | - | Covered Dish Dinner |
| Tuesday | May 19 | 6:30 PM | - | Light Meal |
| | | 7:00 PM | - | Joint study at Kiest Lodge |
| Thursday | May 21 | 1:00 PM | - | Beauceant |
| Tuesday | May 26 | 6:30 PM | - | Dinner |
| | | 7:00 PM | - | RS Lodge Stated Meeting |
| | | | - | Election of Officers |
| Thursday | May 28 | 6:30 PM | - | Covered Dish Dinner |
| | | 7:30 PM | - | Dallas #1 OES Stated Meeting |
| Tuesday | Jun 2 | 6:30 PM | - | Light Meal |
| | | 7:00 PM | - | Study or Degree Work |
| Thursday | Jun 4 | 1:00 PM | - | Beauceant |
| Thursday | Jun 4 | 6:30 PM | - | Covered Dish Dinner |
| | | 7:30 PM | - | RS OES 1086 Stated Meeting |