

Krum Masonic Lodge-Established 1923

Who are Masons, and what do they do?

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Freemasonry or Masonry consists of fraternal organizations that trace their origins to the local fraternities of stonemasons, which from the end of the fourteenth century regulated the qualifications of stonemasons and their interaction with authorities and clients. (Wikipedia)

Masons are men who have joined a fraternity, and who refer to themselves as Freemasons. The main principles of Freemasonry insist that each member show tolerance, respect and kindness in his actions toward others; practices charity and care for the community as a whole; and strives to achieve high moral standards in his own personal life.

Meetings are held at the Lodge, where Lodge business and upcoming activities are discussed. They also use the Lodge buildings to train the younger members. The Lodge building is often used to hold fundraising and public relation events that are open to non-members and invited guests, like fish fries, pot luck, breakfast, etc. According to a Denton Record Chronicle article from December 1963 (see below) the Krum Lodge was formed in December of 1923.

Denton Record Chronicle

June 21, 1935

Special To The Record Chronicle

Krum, June 21.-Ira Ross was elected worshipful master of the Krum Masonic Lodge Tuesday night. Other officers elected were: C.C. Wilkins, senior warden; C.L.Langston, junior warden; W.O. Hudgins, secretary; R.L. Cole, treasurer.

Krum Masons To Be Hosts

Denton Record Chronicle

March 29, 1959

Krum (Staff)- The Krum Masonic Lodge will play host to the Masters, Wardens, and Secretaries of the 84th Masonic District Monday at 7:30 pm in the Krum lodge hall.

W.L. Murrell, Industrial Relations manager of the south division of Moore Business Forms Inc., Denton, will be the principal speaker. Murrell's topic will be "The Importance of Human Relations."

Murrell, who is listed in the National Public Speakers Register, is one of the National Association of Manufacturers public speakers. His responsibilities with Moore Business Forms, Inc. include all industrial public and labor relations activities of the 49 states.

The meeting is open to all master masons in good standing. It's held six times yearly.

The 84th Masonic District is composed of eight lodges in Denton County- the lodges at Denton, Krum, Pilot Point, Sanger, Lewisville, Roanoke, Justin and Argyle. The association is set up to assist the district deputy in his duties in this jurisdiction and to further the fellowship of all Masons in this district.

Officers of the association include Paul Young, Jr. of Denton, president; W.A. Poole of Pilot Point, vice president, and Bobby Brown of Sanger, secretary treasurer.

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Denton Record Chronicle

December 10, 1963

The Krum Masonic Lodge, formed in December of 1923, has observed its 40th anniversary with a brief talk by past masters and a speech by C.C. Hall, past master of the Denton Lodge.

Charter members still active in the lodge are Gus Egan and W.O. Hudgins. Present officers are C.C. Taylor, worshipful master; Rodney Barthold, senior warden; Dalton Brown, junior warden; Harry Bryant, secretary; George Slinker, tiler; and V.E. Gibbons, treasurer. Guests from Sanger, Justin, Denton, Pilot Point and Bridgeport attended last week's ceremony.

Denton Record Chronicle

July 12, 1964

The Krum Masonic Lodge No. 1207 met last week and installed new officers for 1964-65. F.W. Fowler, assisted by V.E. Gibbins, installed the following officers for the ensuing year: Rodney Barthold, worshipful master; Dalton Brown, senior warden; Sam Rector, junior warden; V.E. Gibbins, Treasurer; Morris Ferrell, secretary; George Slinker, tiler; Ned McKinney, chaplin; Jerry Lindley, junior stewart; Fowler, senior stewart; C.H. Hartin, senior deacon; and Harold Handley, junior deacon.

Rodney Barthold presented an educational movie after the installation ceremonies.

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Denton Record Chronicle

Sept 17, 1964

The Krum Masonic Lodge was host for the area B-5 Masonic workshop Monday at 7:30 pm. The workshop was held at the lodge building.

Krum Personals

Denton Record Chronicle

July 4, 1965

Installation of officers of the Krum Masonic Lodge No 1207 was held Thursday night.

