

Roswell Lodge No. 18 A.F. & A.M.

Meeting Minutes

Communication: Regular

Date: 02/05/2026

A Lodge of Entered Apprentices was opened at 7:30 PM with 8 past masters, 12 members, and 1 visitor for a total of 21 in attendance.

WM : Art Houghtby

JD : Roy Shoemaker

SW : Darren Davis

Chap :

JW: Aaron Myers

Mar : Roy Hayes

Trea : Roger Castillo

SS :

Sec : Richard glenn

JS :

SD :

Tyl : Bryant Dunlap

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance to our nation, followed by a Moment of Silence for active and retired military, active and retired first responders.

Sickness and Distress: RWB David Baker continues to recover in Las Cruces. Bro. Roger Castillo's wife Nancy is recovering from shingles. Bro. Andy Davis' mother passed away. WB Mark Crook's granddaughter is having gall bladder surgery. Bro'. Blake Womack and Nick Mashburn are not feeling well tonight.

Lodge Business:

Bro. Myers motioned to approve the minutes as presented; WB Mark Crook seconded. Motion carried.

WM Houghtby asked RWB Shoemaker to relieve the tiler. WB Dunlap approached the altar where WM Houghtby presented him with a belt buckle as a thank you for his leadership in the lodge. He was greeted with hearty applause.

WM Houghtby invited Bro. Dakota Avery and his Coach Bro. Myers to the altar to present his EA proficiency. Bro. Avery did an outstanding job. WB Glenn, DDGL, made a motion to approve the proficiency as given. Bro. Davis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

WM Houghtby announced that the lodge will be putting on a Fellow Craft degree for Bro. Avery on Wednesday, February 18 at 6:30.

WM Houghtby read a flyer for the Teen Leadership summit that will be held here in Roswell. He said the lodge donated \$500 last year and wanted to know if we were interested in donating again. Bro. Davis made a motion to donate \$500. Bro. Myers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

RWB Shoemaker explained the proposed Grand Lodge by-law changes to the lodge.

RWB Shoemaker made a report on the Scottish Rite learning center. He said there is not much to report.

Bro. Castillo reported on the scholarship committee. He said the committee will meet next Tuesday, February 10 at 6:00 PM to discuss this year's scholarships.

WB Shubert reported that the fishing clinic will be held on March 14th at Lake Van. He thanked Bro. Brown for his leadership with the fishing clinic this year.

WB Shubert said that table lodge will be held on April 11th this year, and he is actively asking for volunteers to help out.

WB Shubert said he found a good deal on a gun safe and purchased one to donate to the lodge so they could auction it off as they see fit.

WB Crook said he and other Masons will be cooking steaks again this year for the Eddy County Youth supporters. He said the proceeds will go specifically to scholarships for Artesia students.

First time visitor Bro. Stanly Echols from Pecos Valley Lodge #7 was introduced at the altar.

RWB Shoemaker said the Hilltop degree this year will be held at the Scottish Rite center in Lubbock on April 11th. RWB Shoemaker expressed his disappointment at the location and date

of the Hilltop degree, saying it is on the same day as our Table lodge, so we may not have many brethren from Texas to come attend.

Bro. David Brown thanked WB Shubert for dinner and led the lodge in a round of applause of appreciation.

Lodge was closed in due form at 8:40 PM. Peace and Harmony prevailing.

Fraternally submitted

Richard L. Glenn Sec.

Approved: Worshipful Master

Secretary