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Imperial Sir Marty Bartlett - Imperial Divan & Representative

2024 ELECTIVE DIVAN

Potentate	Marco Zuniga
Chief Rabban	
Asst. Rabban	Steve White
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Oriental Guide	
	Robert M. Norman, II
Recorder	Michael Barnes

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. Marco Zuniga
.Mike Long
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2024 FINANCE COMMITTEE

Potentate	Marco Zuniga
Chief Rabban	
	Steve White
4 years	Garrett Ethridge
3 years	Gary Bausell
2 years	Kylé Jackson
1 year	Kylé Jackson Fabien Galindo

Notice of Stated Meeting of Alzafar Shriners will be November 14, 2024 at the San Antonio Shrine Auditorium, 901 N. Loop 1604 W. San Antonio, Texas 78232. Dinner is at 6:00 p.m. on a first come first served basis. The purpose all stated meetings is to receive and ballot on petitions to receive committee reports, to discuss and take possible action on matters as might come before it. YOUR 2024 DUES CARD OR YOUR DIGITAL IMAGE VIA https://www.shrinersinternational.org WILL BE REQUIRED FOR ADMITTANCE into any STATED MEETINGS. BE SURE TO BRING THESE THREE THINGS:

- · Your Fez on your head
- Your Dues Card in your pocket
- · The spirit of fun & good fellowship in your heart.

Pro tem Recorder , Steve Fisk Potentate Illustrious Sir, Marco Zuniga

The Past Potentates of Alzafar Shriners

1916 Frank R. Newton Sr* 1917 Ted Millburn* 1918 J. A. Patterson* 1919 Henry Rabe* 1920 Robert Burne* 1921 Sylvan Lang* 1922 Robert S. Michael* 1923 Nathan K. Tracy* 1924 H. W. Weber* 1925 Herman Horner* 1926 Charles D. Hall* 1927 S. X. Callahan* 1928 John Lomax* 1929 Henry A. Hirschberg* 1930 A.J. McKenzie* 1931 Louis P. Hartung* 1932 Anton N. Moursund* 1933 G.G. Grebenheimer* 1934 Porter Loring* 1935 P.D. Mathis* 1936 Geo. F. Dullnig* 1937 Willard E. Simpson* 1938 C. Baumberger, Jr.* 1939 William Eifler* 1940 William H. Wallace* 1941 Daniel O'Connell* 1942 O.J. Solcher* 1943 Rennie Wright* 1944 Albert A. Green* 1945 W.D. Turbeville* 1946 Ted E. Poppe* 1947 Alfred W. Harlos* 1948 Sam A. Chapman* 1949 Richard Adams* 1950 Roy Akers* 1951 Glen K. Schuepbach* 1952 W.C. "Pat" Welch* 1953 Elliot J. Bilhartz* 1954 Ray H. Trimmier* 1955 T.M. McCormick* 1956 H.S. Norman* 1957 W.B. Jack Ball* 1958 Floyd J. Griffin* 1959 Henry W. Eitt* 1960 Harvey McDonald* 1961 L.L. Woodman* 1962 George W. Henry* 1963 Barney Norris* 1964 Jack B. Lee* 1965 Robert B. O'Connor* 1966 E. Jeff Ashcraft, Jr.* 1967 D. Neal Talley* 1968 Wm. H. Ferguson* 1969 Keith Gerstner*

1970 Jack W. Cones, Jr.* 1971 Bruce Waitz* 1972 Floyd F. Graham* 1973 Drue H. Floyd* 1974 Jack O. Dietz* 1975 H.C. Kopplow* 1976 W.H. "Bill" Elmore* 1977 Thurman Barrett, Jr.* 1978 Floyd O. Schneider* 1979 Reese L. Harrison, Jr. 1980 Burdit W. McCoy' 1981 James V. Gullette* 1982 Joseph M. Clark* 1983 George D. Vann, Jr.* 1984 Joe Roy Hollaway' 1985 E.C. "Bud" Jordan* 1986 Sidney D. Autry* 1987 Terry McGuire* 1988 James Dockery, Jr.* 1989 George J. Labinski* 1990 James W. Todd* 1991 Ray Fuller* 1992 Robert "Bob" Jett 1993 Emmett C. George* 1994 E.C. "Ed" Vest* 1995 Tom Boothe* 1996 Jerry Krupp* 1997 Harry D. Rose* 1998 Robert D. "Bob" Green 1999 Robert "Bobby" Hunt 2000 Bob Stephens* 2001 Loren Hayes* 2002 J. Philip Knight-Sheen* 2003 Wayne R. Duncan 2004 Steve R. Molnar* 2005 Stuart H. Simms* 2006 Frank B. Hunter* 2007 Joseph Calvey 2008 Paul F. McCombs 2009 James "Jim" Strayer* 2010 Richard "Rick" Reyes II 2011 Gregorio "G.I." Flores* 2012 Robert "Bob" Jones 2013 Tom Young 2015 Jay Dee Thomas 2016 John Dunn 2017 Gary Radvansky 2018 Jason Triggs 2019 Eric A. DeWalt 2020 Marty Bartlett 2021 L. Travis Elmendorf 2022 Robert M. Norman, II 2023 Richard "Rick" Reyes III

Alzafar Shriners, Past Potentates of Other Shrine Centers

1964 Roy Reynolds* 1970-71 Eldon O. Wesner* 1979 Ray Robinson 1981 Donald Garrido* 1983 David Martin 1998 Terry Zittle 2012 Rick Oberg

2023 Phil Neil

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*The passing of our Illustrious Sir

Good Day Nobles & Ladies!!!

Here we are ending October and starting November. We just wrapped up the Children's Halloween party and our annual Golf Tournament. Congratulations to Oriental Guide Dan & his Lady Misty on a successful event.

As "Fall" is upon us, it's definitely time for some cooler Texas weather. Not too far are the upcoming holidays. We are so close to the end of another year there but still have a few things going on. This month we celebrate Veteran's Day which I hold near and dear to my heart. Having numerous family and friends who have served, we thank you for your service. We also honor our dear nobles who have departed at our annual Shrine Memorial which will be held on Sunday November 17th.



Finally, as we end November, I hope you have a wonderful holiday celebrating with your loved ones, Happy Thanksgiving!

In closing I leave you with this....

"Reach out and help others. If you have the power to make someone happy, do it. Be a vessel, be the change, be the difference, or be the inspiration. Shine your light as an example. The world needs more of that."

As always Lady Lori & I thank you for your continued support and hope to make you proud.

Until next time, Illustrious Sir

Alzafar Shrine 2024 Potentate



Dear Alzafar,

Can you believe the year is coming to a close? Time has flown by! We still have plenty of exciting events lined up, including our unit and club year-end celebrations and parades. The Alzafar board hopes to see everyone participating in the upcoming parade events as we finish out the year. Let's showcase the joy we experience at parades and engage the community! Be sure to have your parade vehicles ready and your clown costumes selected. These parades are fantastic opportunities for us to connect with the public and answer questions about the valuable work Shriners do for our community. This engagement is crucial for securing public donations that support our hospital system.

Our year-end celebrations are a wonderful occasion to recognize the achievements of our club and units, starting with the Thanksgiving holiday. It's also a time to express our gratitude for the dedication of our officers within our fraternity. It's not just about the gifts exchanged but about cherishing the holiday season with like-minded individuals. Let's take a moment to appreciate that special noble or lady who has tirelessly worked to raise funds for our hospitals.

I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to all the nobles and your ladies. Simple gestures, like a warm "hello," truly brighten my day. Over the years, I have received support from the nobility in countless ways, and I am genuinely grateful to have brothers and friends who feel like family.

Fraternally yours,

Alzafar Shrine 2024 Chief Rabban



Hello Nobles,

We have a busy next two months, with holidays fast approaching, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and the New Year. Please remember the elections in December when we pick the divan for 2025.

Next big event is our Golf tournament and by the time you read this it will be over, and all the dust would have been settled. A huge thank you to all our Sponsors and especially Dan and Misty Dailey for doing an excellent job Chairing the event.

Mark your calendars for our Memorial Service at Alzafar Shrine on November 17th. This is a special time to remember our brother Nobles who passed away this year. All Shriners and non-Shriners are invited to celebrate the lives of a Brother Noble.

Keep your eye out for our next Life Happens program. Useful information with guest speakers with a wide variety of topics. I am sure there will be something of interest to everyone. Please if you have a topic of interest email me at cranesrme@yahoo.com so we can put it on the agenda.

I hope everyone enjoys the holidays these next two months. Wonderful time to be with Family and friends to celebrate together.

Until I see you again, I want to thank everyone for what you do. And remember we wake up every day knowing we made a difference in a child's life.

Fraternally yours,

Alzafar Shrine 2024 Assistant Rabban

As we enter the second month of the last quarter, we can all start to feel the holidays fast approaching. Wow, I never thought it would get here soon enough but even the retail stores get an early start. I thought I saw them putting out Christmas items for sale on October 1st!

November brings us a couple of national holidays to celebrate. First is Veteran's Day which is on November 11th when we commemorate and honor the men and women that faithfully served our country. Then on the 28th we will celebrate Thanksgiving Day! A day to give thanks for all we have in our lives. A time to spend with your friends and family while enjoying a roasted turkey with all the trimmings. Don't eat too much since many will get up early the next day and go shopping on Black Friday! Oh, what a great time to enjoy family and friends and start to get ready for the Christmas season.



This month at the Shrine we will again be busy, we have three parades on the schedule in November. On November 9th we have the Veteran's Day Parade in Downtown San Antonio.

On November 16th we have the Alamo Heights Night Parade and on November 30th we have the Christmas in Comfort Parade. Whew, what a busy parade month we have!

Join us at our Annual Alzafar Memorial Service which will be held on November 17th from 2:00 PM until 4:00 PM in the Terrace Room. Please make your plans to attend and honor those Nobles that have passed on to the celestial lodge above. Dress for the event is Sunday best and the service will be followed by light refreshments afterwards. Call the office at 210-496-1625 to RSVP.

Our November Finance and Divan meetings will be held on Monday November 11th starting at 5:00 PM for Finance and the Divan meeting immediately following. Our Stated meeting will be held on November 14th and starts at 7:00 PM. Hope to see you there!

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Alzafar Shrine 2024 High Priest and Prophet



Alzafar Memorial Ceremony

When

2.00pm - 4.00pm Sunday November 17th, 2024

Where

Terrace Room at Alzafar Shrine Auditorium 901 N Loop 1604 W San Antonio,TX 78232



Our 2024 Mike Barnes memorial golf tournament at Canyon Springs Golf Course is in the books. We had a sold-out tournament with over 144 golfers. Live and silent auction items sold very well as did the ball drop tickets, raffle tickets and the special AI driver package raffle. There is not enough room in the Achbar to thank everyone who helped to make this event a success! Misty and I appreciate all who donated time, talent, money and items to help raise money for our Shrine kids. We will be reaching out to all who helped to express our personal thanks. I will update everyone on the total money raised next month after all the accounting is done.

Speaking of success, the Halloween party was held on October 26th under the Pavilion. Kids and adults alike had a great time with games, face painting, food, and of course the Trunk or Treat candy collecting. As with the golf tournament, there are too many units, clubs and

people to thank in this article. Misty and I wish to tell everyone how thankful we are to have the generous support of so many as we navigated this year as Oriental Guide.

Misty and I will host the children's Christmas party on December 22nd in the ballroom from 2 to 5 PM. Santa and Mrs. Claus will be there to hand out presents and take Christmas wishes from the kids! The food will be catered by Ay Chiwawa Mexican Restaurant. We welcome everyone to attend this event. As we are unable to hold a car show toy drive this year, we are asking clubs, units and Shriners to donate new unwrapped toys that Santa can give to the kids. We will likely need around 300 toys to make sure no child leaves without a toy. Many thanks to the NEMNUF clowns for being the first unit to step up with a toy donation! There will be containers available at the November and December stated meetings and in the office. This event is open to Shriner's children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and any other child that could use some Christmas cheer. Please help make Christmas for our kids a success again this year. All we ask is that you call the office with your RSVP with the number of adults and kids attending, along with the age and gender of the kids so we can make sure there are enough presents and food for all.

Misty and I want to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. We are very thankful for the opportunity to serve Alzafar.

Fraternally yours,

Alzafar Shrine 2024 Oriental Guide

Hello Alzafar!!

I hope November finds you all in good health. It's hard to believe that 2024 is starting to whine down. It seems just like yesterday we were ramping up to attack this year head on. If you were at the October stated meeting I showed our finances and how our new Royalties Investment account is growing. The royalty money that is coming in right now is without a doubt pennies from heaven. Your board voted to take these pennies and invest them for Alzafar's future. A HUGE shout out goes to Past Illustrious Sir Rick Reyes III, the late Mike Barnes and the Temple Attorney Johnathan Cluck for working with a private entity last year to show we had ties to the oil and mineral rights with the Winter Gardens Shrine Club. This forward thinking and research has paid off huge for our organization.

November 10th 1775 The United States Marine Corps was found in Tun Tavern, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. That's right you read that correctly. The Marine Corps was founded in a BAR!! The

Marine Corps will celebrate 249 years of romping and stomping, rootin-tootin, door kicking, amphibious warriors and being AMERICAS FIGHTING FORCE. To all past, present and future Marines I say Happy Birthday and Semper Fidelis (Always Faithful)!!!

This month, we as a nation, will also celebrate Veterans Day. On this day we honor our military veterans. It is said that "a veteran is someone who wrote a blank check made payable to the United States of America for an amount up to and including their life". That couldn't be any clearer. Judd Gregg, once said "The veterans of our military services have put their lives on the line to protect the freedoms that we enjoy. They have dedicated their lives to their country and deserve to be recognized for their commitment." To those who have served in our armed forces: I say "Thank You" for your service to our country.

As we enter the last couple months of the year it goes without saying that our membership has a big decision to make in December. What I mean by that is the election of officers will be held at that stated meeting. That is when we will pick our new Oriental Guide and the rest of our leadership team. Picking an Oriental Guide is also potentially picking our future Potentate. If you have had a desire or a calling to place your name in the running, please reach out to one of the other Divan members and ask them questions about this position. That could be for this year or years to come. If you know of a Noble that would be a great fit, reach out to that individual and ask them if they have ever thought about being on your Divan.

Thank you all for your continued support and trust in allowing me to serve you all on your Divan. Until we meet again, I hope you all are staying safe and having a great year. I hope you have an outstanding Thanksgiving!!!

Robert M. Norman M. P.P.

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Alzafar Shrine 2024 Treasurer

Here we are heading into the final stretch for the year and the holidays loom right around the corner. Even as the year winds down the work at Alzafar is still going full steam ahead.

Clubs and Units should have their election of 2025 officers completed and the rosters submitted to the office. Just in case you have not done this, please do it. I would also like to remind you it is never too early to be getting your end-ofyear financials prepared. Once the new year starts, we have a lot to do to complete the overall financial report for Alzafar and submit it to Imperial.

We have already begun to compile a list of Christmas parties that Clubs and Units will have. Keep us posted when you plan to have yours as the Divan enjoys going off their diets this time of the year and attending your event.

This month allows us to remember all veterans and is special to me as many members of my family have served in various branches of the military. My father served in Korea and Vietnam, and I grew up living on military bases. Your service allows all of us to enjoy the freedoms and opportunities that no other country in the world has. To all who have and are serving, I give you my deepest heartfelt thanks and you have my respect forever.

November is also noted for Thanksgiving. This holiday hopefully finds you well and enjoying family and friends, while providing an opportunity to reflect on the blessings of them. In my house before we dine on all things prepared for that day, I make everyone seated at the table speak about what they are thankful for. As the years have gone by, this tradition has grown and now my adult children continue it at their homes if they can't be at mine. I have found that my thanks are for the love of, and for, family and friends. Those are two things that are most important to me.

As always, we are happy to be of assistance to you in any way we can. I have found that the staff in the office are not only hard working and dedicated, but also more than willing to find answers to any questions you may have.

> Pro tem Recorder Steve Fisk

The Philosophical Musings of Mr. McButterpants

Hey Folks! Another great month has passed us by. So here we go with another installation that I hope will tickle your funny bone! If not, next time we'll have to use a feather!

• Why are you called One-man-bucket?" "...In my tribe we're traditionally named after the first thing the mother sees when she looks out of the tepee after the birth. It's short for one-man-pouring-a-bucket-of-water-over-two-dogs." "That's pretty unfortunate." "It's not too bad. It was my twin brother you had to feel sorry for. She looked out ten seconds before me to give him his name." "Don't tell me, let me guess. Two-dogs-fighting?" "Two-dogs-fighting? Two-dogs-fighting? Wow, he would have given his right arm to be called Two-dogs-fighting!"An Englishman, a Scot and an Irishman are exploring the desert. They come across a big slide guarded by a sexy woman. The woman says "Climb the ladder, go down the slide and shout your material wish. It will appear in a big pile at the bottom.

The Englishman tries it first. He climbs the ladder, goes down the slide and shouts "SILVER!" The woman grants his wish, and he lands in a pile of silver coins. The Scot goes next. He climbs the ladder, goes down the slide and shouts "GOLD!" The woman grants his wish, and he lands in a pile of gold coins.Distracted, the Irishman rushes up the ladder. Halfway down the slide he shouts "WEEEEEEEE!!!"

> Why does a chicken coup only have 2 doors? If it had 4, it'd be a chicken sedan. And why do seagulls fly over the sea? If they flew over the bay,

- Blind man walks into a hardware store with his seeing eye dog. Picks the dog up by its tail and starts swinging it around over his head. Manager walks up and asks: "Hello, sir. Can I help you?" Blind man replies: "Nah. Just looking around."
- Two drums and a cymbal fall off a cliff...

That's all I have for this month! Always remember and never forget,

Keep the Sun in your eyes!! Smiley T. McButterpants!!

Hey and that's it!! Time for that beloved recipe everyone so patiently waits for every month!!!From the Pages of the 1977 NemNuf Cookbook, and the Kitchen of Lorainne Thompson. Its her famous!

Chicken and Rice supreme

- · 1 Lg. Whole fryer, split in half. Sprinkle each side very generously with McCormick salad supreme. Place in baking pan, cover with aluminum foil and bake approximately 1 hour and 15 minutes at 300 degrees. Remove chicken from pan and set aside.
- To the liquid left in the pan, add 1 cup chopped celery, 1 cup chopped onion, 2
- Dissolve 2 chicken bouillon cubes in boiling water, about 1 1/2 cups. Add rice and vegetables. Sprinkle heavy again with salad supreme, stir. Cover with foil, return to oven for about 1 hour. Remove foil, place chicken on top, just to warm.

Serves 4 hungry people. A fruited Jello salad goes great with this!!

OCTOBER REWIND



Brews Brothers

by Noble Brandon Mical Curry

Happy Autumn, Noble Beer lovers & chuggers! What a great season of transition and preparation. That's what we're all doing right now: first we'll get ready for Thanksgiving, then we'll get ready for Christmas, then a New Year! It's all going to happen quick, so if you haven't made your plans, prepped a menu, scheduled with family, or bought your plane tickets, this is your reminder courtesy of the Brews Brothers! We recently heard the first rumor of the 2025 POLAR PLUNGE... it's definitely happening again in the new year and details can be obtained from the office, by reading our flyer, or by bothering Russel Brown - whichever you prefer, Nobles (sorry not sorry, Russ!).

Another of our favorite things about fall is that it "unlocks" the seal on beers that go better with the cool weather and seasonal dishes. The fall and winter beer selection usually sees an increase in consumption of the darker, thicker beers. These include, but are not limited to: stouts, porters and brown ales. Along with the darker color, most of these beers hold deeper and more robust flavors, inviting us to sit and savor them by the fire, or maybe under a blanket on the back porch with a favorite someone. Most folks have been putting off some or all of these beers in anticipation of the cooler season, not wanting to bog down a hot day with a heavy beer, so, reward the patient endurance. Interesting beer fact: according to "the googles," Porter style beer was the first "commercially brewed" beer style in history, as it was being produced around the world by the end of the 18th century. Porter: the pioneer! Well, it sounds like we have a good beer to start with. To set us all to it, a toast (tailored for all Nobles

"In Brotherhood we're pledged forever, our glasses clink anon; and love is good, and life be long, and friends are best together."

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!!

MEET the team



from a Scottish tradition):

LISA EMERICK Office Staff



IRMA ALVAREZ Office Staff



MARILYN LOPEZ Office Staff



JOYCE "JOY" BONEBRAKE-RUSSLE **Event Corrdinator**



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Texas First Ladies' Project: Ladies Trip

We are planning a Trip!

November 15th To the Galveston Hospital

Would you like to visit the hospital and interact with the patients at our Galveston Hospital?

We have rooms available at Hotel Galvez in Galveston for \$129 if you would like to come in Thursday and stay til Saturday morning. (Feel free to pair up to save cost)

Activities include:

- Hospital Tour
- · Lunch with Hospital Staff
- Activities with Patients (Ceiling Tile Painting, Bracelet Making, Coloring)
- Handout Treats for the Staff
- Ladies Group Dinner

Deadline to sign up is Friday October 25th or until our maximum is met. Reach out to Lady Lori at (210)639-4524, if you would like to attend. Limited space available.







Tentative Parade Schedule... Year, 2024 Note: Subject to change!

DATE	PARADE	LOCATION	LINE-UP	START
Sun. Feb. 11	Shriners Mardi Gras	Galveston	10:00 AM	12:00 PM
Sat. Feb. 17	Washington's Birthday	Laredo	7:00 AM	9:00 AM
Sat. Apr. 13	Strawberry Festival	Poteet	8:00 AM	10:00 AM
Fri. Apr. 26	Battle of Flowers	San Antonio	8:00 AM	10:00 AM
Sat. Apr. 27	Fiesta Flambeau	San Antonio	5:00 PM	7:00 PM
Sat. May 4	Cornyval	Helotes	8:00 AM	10:00 AM
Sat. May 25	Memorial Day	Bandera	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Thur. July 4	July 4th	Seguin	8:00 AM	10:00 AM
Fri. Aug 23 (Optional)	Gillespie Co. Fair	Fredericksburg	8:00 AM	10:00AM
Sat. Aug 31	Kendall County Fair	Boerne	8:00 AM	10:00 AM
Sat. Nov. 2	Devine Fall Festival	Devine	8:00 AM	10:00 AM
Sat. Nov. 9 (Alzafar Ladies a	Veteran's Day nd Family)	San Antonio	10:00 AM	12:00 PM
Sat. Nov. 16 (Night Parade)	Alamo Heights Parade	Alamo Heights	3:30 PM	5:30 PM
Sat. Nov. 30 (Night Parade)	Christmas in Comfort	Comfort	4:00 PM	7:00 PM
Sat. Dec. 7 (Night Parade)	Weihnachts Parade	Boeme	4:30 PM	6:00 PM
Sat. Dec. 14 (Alzafar Ladies a	Christmas Parade nd Family)	Sattler	9:30 AM	11:00 AM

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Events National Holidays Unit Meeting Stated Meeting Achbar Article Due

EVENTS TO LOOK OUT FOR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
	Honor Guard	Red Roadsters	4 Highlander Band Provost Guard Oriental Band Laredo S.C.	Band Drum Corps Ladies Oriental Shrine Seniors	6 Freddicksburg Christians Parade	7 Jingle wingle Bosene Christmas Parade
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29	30	31 New Years Eve				

Burning Sun

by Noble Doug Anderson, Secretary/Treasurer

Wheels up,

The Burning Sun has had our election for the 2025 officers. Jeff Boyes will be the Colonel, Mike Swanson the Major, James Stimson the Secretary, and Doug Anderson the Treasurer. We did welcome in two new members wrangled in at our recent ceremonial, Giovanni Yoria and Steven Bemben. Welcome new Nobles.

Our Christmas party has been planned for December the 8th in the Hillbilly Room, and we will share the evening with the Hillbillies and Guadalupe Valley Shrine Club.

We are excited about our new leadership and the new Nobles and look forward to fun times ahead.



Hillbillies News

The fundraising efforts, which are credited to the Possum Queen of the Hillbillies, has had another successful venture with the Dishes, Divas and Darlings (Tables du Jour). The day was a fabulous opportunity to raise money for the Alzafar Transportation Fund while entertaining all the guests with some awesome creativity of the Table Designers and sharing information on our Shrine patients. There are so many to thank --Hillbilly members (nobles and ladies), along with many more that were table designers, waiters and guests. Can't wait to see what this group can achieve next year. Many plans are in the works so you're going to want to get involved ASAP by contacting next year's Chair, Mandy Anderson.



Our fun-spirited group meets on the 2nd Sunday of April, June, August, October and December at 5:00. February is our Sadie Hawkins Dance Fundraiser and will be held on February 15, so save the date. YOU WILL WANT TO BE THERE!



Smoke Signals

From the Hot Sands BBQ Unit

As the smoke clears, we want to thank everyone who participated in our 5th annual Butt Sale. It was a fantastic success, and we couldn't have done it without your support (and appetite!). Special thanks to Malcom Reed of How to BBQ Right and Phil Breeden of LC BBQ for their generous donations and ongoing support. Make sure to check out their products at your local BBQ supply store or online. Malcom's YouTube channel is also packed with sizzling tutorials that'll fire up your BBQ skills!

Looking ahead, we're thrilled to announce our Christmas Party on December 11th. Mark your calendars for an evening filled with delicious food, festive cheer, and holiday fun!

We'll also be installing our newly elected officers at the event:

- President: John Galvan
- Vice President: Lincoln Cates
- Secretary: Frank Rios
- Treasurer: Michael Ethridge

Let's give them a big round of applause and plenty of support as they lead us into another smokin' year of BBQ and fellowship.

And don't miss out—be on the lookout for our next Grill & Chill event! Watch our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/hotsandsbbq for all the details. We'll have the pits fired up, the flavors rollin', and the good times smokin'.

Thank you again for your continued support, and we look forward to sharing more delicious adventures with you soon!



Alzafar Highlanders Whisky Tasting

April 5th at 6:30 PM Alzafar Shrine Parlors 901 N Loop 1604

\$30 or 2 for \$50 See one of the Highlanders for tickets

or

Contact Russell Ross at 210-488-6048

russelltaylor.ross@gmail.com



Mini Wheels

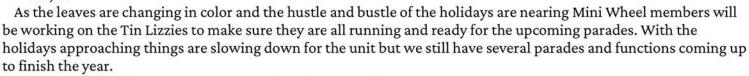
By Noble David Hernandez, Treasurer

As we enter into November and Thanksgiving Day approaches, we are reminded that it's a time when we welcome friends and family into our homes to break bread and express gratitude for all the blessings that surround us.

October was a slow month for everyone but the excitement was felt as the unit cooked burgers for the Alzafar Children's Halloween party at the pavilion. Seeing all the kids dressed in their Halloween best and hearing their laughter puts things into perspective about why we do what we do..... "All for the kids."

2025 officers were voted in at the monthly unit meeting:

President: Tom Veltri
Vice President: Dion Reece
Secretary: Phil Hardberger
Treasurer: David Hernandez
Colonel: Tom Walton
Major: Ricco Cardenas



We have the following events on our agenda and more to follow:

- · Nov 9th Veteran's Day Parade
- Nov 30th Comfort Parade (optional)
- · Dec 6th- Unit Party
- · Dec 14th Sattler Parade

If you feel the AHOOGA in you and want to find out more about our unit, we meet the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7:00, you are invited to join us for a meal at 6:30 before the meeting at Alzafar Shrine Room # 10.

We wish everyone a safe and Happy Thanksgiving!



NEMNUF CLOWNS

by Noble Dale "Cookie" Clark, 2nd VP 2024

Welcome back to Clown Alley. October closed out with your NEMNUF Clowns participating in the annual Alzafar Children's Halloween Party. Lots of kids and laughter with dozens of ballon sculptures being handed out. Each had a 100% pop guarantee. If their ballon didn't pop, they could bring the ballon to any Clown and we would pop it for them.

Parades are back in season for November. The following parades are on our schedule:

- Nov 9th, San Antonio Veteran's Parade, line up 10 a.m. step off 12 p.m.
- Nov 16, Alamo Heights Holiday Night Parade, line up 3:30 p.m. step off 5:30 p.m.
- Nov 30, Christmas in Comfort Night Parade, line up 4 p.m. step off 7 p.m.

On November 11 your Clowns will be on the road to entertain the children and staff at Shriner Children's Galveston. This is the core of why we Clown. Nothing makes our hearts glad when we can bring a smile to a child undergoing medical treatment.

The unit Stated Meeting will be on November 11 for those members who won't be in Galveston. Social time starts at 6 p.m. Meal served at 6:30. Meeting gavel falls at 7 p.m.

Nobles Of The Velvet Leaf (N.O.T.V.L.)

by Noble William Badders, President

Hello fellow Nobles!

This year, the Nobles of the Velvet Leaf has had many great events. We have met at Cigars International, Fincks, Alzafar Pavilion, and had members attend the Lone Star Cigar Bash.

We partnered with the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas which helped us raise over \$400! A big shout out to Noble Jorge Santana for presenting a check at a regular stated meeting.

This coming year, we plan to visit even more cigar lounges & raise even more money.

We will be having multiple joint events, such as on November 9th, 2024 we will be doing a herf with the Olama Grotto at Freetail's Brewery on South Presa St. If you are free the first weekend of October 2025, then make sure to mark the Fez Off in Shiner down. The Shrine has lost the last 4 year in a row. The N.O.T.V.L will be going in force next year.

If you are interested in attending one of our meetings or joining our Alzafar club, please reach out Secretary Jorge Santana or myself.





Provost Guard

by Noble Tom Hirte, Secretary/Treasurer

Nobles and Ladies,

The Provost Guard Unit held its monthly meeting on October 2nd, 2024 with a good showing of members, ladies and guests. We had a delicious meal of hamburgers prepared by our unit chef, David Hadley. The unit celebrated our successful participation in the Texas State Provost Guard Association Fall Invitational shoot in Tyler on September 28th. Sharon Shrine was a great host for the event. We had a total of 10 shooters and one Lady shooter. Our D Team consisting of Michael Raymond, Tony Ivone, Steve Aikens and Tom Hirte took first place. Our own Greg Gillenwaters was snapped up by Sharon Shrine's C Team, which took third place. Art Olivares made his Shrine



competition debut as an open shooter. Boyd Scott, Richard Barnett, Ken Propes and Tony Montes competed in the two-handed shooting. Kathy Barnett represented us at the Lady's shoot. Our own Ken Propes was elected as the TSPGA State Marshall and Tom Hirte was appointed as TSPGA State Secretary/Treasurer. The unit also held the elections for 2025 officers. Congratulations to Mike Gollahon for being elected Marshal. Greg Gillenwaters for being elected 1st Assistant Marshal, Art Olivares for being elected 2nd Assistant Marshal and Tom Hirte for being elected Secretary/Treasurer. Anyone interested in learning about our unit, bullseye pistol shooting and meeting like-minded Shriner's from around the Greatest State in the Union, come see us. We meet the 1st Wednesday of the month in the Director's Staff/Provost Guard room out back. Our meetings begin with a social time at 6:00pm, dinner at 6:30 pm and our meeting starting at 7:00 pm. Your Lady is ALWAYS welcome to attend.

Alzafar Seniors

by Noble Daniel Coburn, Secretary

The Alzafar Senior's monthly meeting was held at noon in the Roustabouts room on Thursday, October 3rd with seventeen members and guests attending. Nancy Herrera provided a delicious Mexican meal for lunch and Margie Estlack provided pastries and cookies for dessert.



The speaker this month was Amanda Reyes who talked about scammers and fraudsters and the various tactics they use to try and get money from people. Some approaches are made via mail or phone calls but prevalent among Seniors is romance or political scams. Often the scammers will prey on the good will of their victim and try to impersonate a friend or relative in desperate need, especially in an embarrassing situation and ask that their victim keep the transaction quiet. Scams are evolving and with the proliferation of online information and Artificial Intelligence tools they can be very convincing. Amanda gave some resources to use if you are approached by or are a victim of a scammer. Almost everyone attending our lunch meeting were able to relate instances where they have been approached by scammers.

The Senior's Unit meets at noon on the first Thursday of every month in the Shrine Roustabouts Room. All Senior Shriners and their Ladies are welcome to join us for lunch, dessert, and stimulating conversation. Lunch is \$10.00. Shriners younger than fifty-five can become honorary members and those one hundred or older eat for free. Dues are \$5.00 for the year, or forty-two cents per month for those on a budget who would like to take advantage of our special Senior's only deferred payment plan.

Our next meeting will be on November 7th when we will be holding our election of our 2025 officers. Please RSVP to join us. Until then we wish everyone safe travels.

For more information, or to RSVP, contact Senior's Secretary Daniel Coburn at 830-832-5513 or at dycoburn@gmail.com.

Smokin' Clays

Alzafar Shotgun Unit

by Noble Bill Willis, Secretary

November is upon us, our competitions for the year are behind us, and the Shotgun Unit is still as busy as ever. We elected new officers for 2025 at our October stated meeting. I'll update you with the names and positions after they're sworn in at our Christmas party in December. We had a great turnout for our September fun shoot, a dove hunt hosted by our President, Chip Myre and his Lady Karen. Thanks to both for a fun day of shooting, fishing, camaraderie, and of course the fine spread for lunch. A great time was had by all, even by Sandy and Cash, the two labs retrieving the downed birds. We still have one more fun shoot planned this year, the annual Rossville turkey shoot that will be held Saturday, November 23rd. With a little luck, many of us will be going home with a turkey for the holidays. And a couple of weeks

later we'll host our annual Christmas party at the Saltgrass Steak House on Loop 410 near the North Star Mall from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. We'll be drawing the winning tickets for our raffle with three big prizes, a Traeger grill, a shotgun and a 126 piece expert tool set. If you'd like to join us at the Christmas party, or to purchase a raffle ticket, contact any member of the Shotgun Unit. Everyone is welcome and we'd love to see you there. I'd also like to send a shout out to the newest members of the "Smokin' Clays", Bill Mitchell and Steve Parks. We're looking forward to sending lead down range with both of you, and all you will bring to the unit.

As a reminder, anyone is welcome to join us at our fun shoots, usually held the last Saturday morning of the month, and at our stated meetings held on the second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. You'll want to arrive early, however, as our Chief Chef and Honorary 3rd Vice, Noble David Hadley will be serving up a fine meal starting at 6:30. And bring your Lady along. We always have a great turn-out. Until next month, keep your powder dry remember to lead your targets.



Guadalupe Valley Shrine Club

If you're looking to be a part of a couples social group within the Shrine, check out the Guadalupe Valley Shrine Club. We are mostly residents from Seguin, Canyon Lake, New Braunfels, (Guadalupe Valley area) but all are welcome. Our club of nobles and their ladies meet the third Monday of every month at a restaurant in Seguin, New Braunfels, Marion and others to be determined. This is social time along with a business meeting to keep abreast of Alzafar news and foster friendships among Shriners. Check with Doug Anderson for the location of an upcoming gathering. ALL WELCOME!

Black Camel Notices

May Our Dearly Departed Rest in Peace

Noble:

Humberto G. Klee

Robert M. DeWalt

Lee Andrew Woods III

Xavier Torres

DOD 10/06/2022

DOD 08/28/2024

DOD 9/2/2024

DOD 9/6/2024



We are Nekodah Strong

Daughters of The Nile; Nekodah Temple No. 44





Fall is in full effect and the holidays will be here before we know it! Nekodah No 44 continues to stay busy with fundraising events benefiting Shriners Children's.

We hosted our very first Casino Night for charitable giving on September 27th. It was such a huge success, and I am so proud of my Charitable Giving Team and all the ladies and masons/nobles who made the Casino Night possible. Elvis was a great entertainer for the night and the silent auctions and casino tables were a hit!

Nekodah hosts their annual Thanksgiving Luncheon on Tuesday, November 19th in the dining room. If you haven't attended this in past years you don't want to miss it!

We are always looking for new members to join our philanthropy who are ready to make a difference. As always, keep the less fortunate and those in need in your prayers. Especially as we get closer to the holidays.

In Nile Love, Brandy Reyes

Upcoming events:

- November 3, 2024, Purses & More Luncheon Alzafar Shrine Parlors 12-2pm Tickets are \$15 with purse donation or \$20 without purse donation; if you wish to reserve a ticket(s) and pay at the door you may email us at nekodahtempleno44@gmail.com the Event Chair Pr Rita Young. (A Charitable Giving fundraiser)
- November 12, 2024, Thanksgiving Luncheon in the Alzafar Shrine Dining room 11:30am-1:00pm. Tickets are \$15 each and will be available from Event Chair Pr Tirzah Gini Hockman. If you wish to reserve a ticket(s) and pay at the door you may email us at nekodahtempleno44@gmail.com (A Ways and Means Fundraiser)
- Friendly Reminder, if you haven't paid your 2023-2024 (\$52) dues you may send them to Pr Recorder Diana Thomas, her contact information is in the Roster.

Help us keep the household roster up to date. If you have new contact information such as mailing or email address or phone you may send it to the Nekodah group account: nekodahtempleno44@gmail.com.

If you or someone you know would like to become a member of the Daughters of the Nile, Nekodah Temple No. 44, please contact any of our members or the Membership Team: PQ Carol Carpenter, PQ. Margie Flores, PQ. Peggy Songer, PQ. Barbara Wells, Pr. Cindy Garza.

We meet the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7:00pm in the Alzafar Shrine Center Parlors except June, July, and December.

Ladies Oriental Shrine of North America

by Lady DeeDee Kintight, High Priestess, PHP

The month of October was very busy for Alturi Court. We had our wonderful Grand High Priestess visit us. The banquet was a great time for everyone, and we had a wonderful meeting. We also attended the Mid States Unit meet in Oklahoma City. What a wonderful time to visit other court members and have time with our own ladies. We have four new members joining our court at the November 7th meeting. Welcome Brittanie Zuniga, Carol Carpenter, Wendy Gobernatz and Savita Rai. give these ladies a warm welcome from the court.

We held our annual casino night on October 12th. What a great event, fun was had by all. A big thanks to all the ladies that helped with the Grand High Priestess banquet and meeting as well as helping with the fundraisers.

Upcoming Fundraiser, save the date:November 9th is Loteria from 2-4 pm.

Our Christmas party will be December 15th. This year we will be give to Toys for Tots. Please let Wendy Sanders (210) 430-7360, know if you will be attending. Bring an unwrapped toy please. At the Christmas party we will be drawing for an opportunity to win two handguns, for more information and tickets please reach out to Doris Hoelscher at 210-400-6934.

Please help this wonderful organization raise money for their philanthropy.

If you have any updates to your contact information or you are not receiving your emails, please send the updates to our email address at Altrui.court@gmail.com.

We have a great court here in San Antonio and we raise money each year to donate to the Shriner's Hospitals and other Shrine groups, as well as our Ways and Means fund. It is all about the kids. If you or anyone you know would like to join us, please email us Altrui.Court@gmail.com and someone will contact you. For those ladies that have petitions to be submitted please do so as soon as possible.







Nobles, please help us keep our records updated!!

Call the Shrine office if you:

- Change mailing address
- Change phone number
- · Change email address
- Have knowledge of a Noble passing

ALL UNITS AND CLUBS:

- · If you are wanting your upcoming events flyer sent through webfez, we are asking that you please email the flyer in a .jpeg/photo format.
- Reminder all Achbar articles need to be sent to the Achbar email, by the 10th of each month

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Where & When our Shrine Units, Clubs, Masonic Lodges Meet

ALZAFAR UNIT MEETING SCHEDULE

BAND	Each Thursday	6:30 P.M	Room 7
BREWS BROTHERS	4th Wednesday	7:30 P.M	Room 5
BURNING SUN	2nd Wednesday	7:00 P.M	Room 5
CABIRI	Wed. 2nd Thru.	12:00 N	As Designated
CAMP ALZAFAR	Memorial Day,July	12:00 N	Camp Pavilion
	4th & Labor Day		
DESERT KNIGHTS	3rd Wednesday	7:00 PM	Directors Room
DIRECTORS STAFF	2nd Tuesday	7:30 P.M	Directors Room
DRUM CORPS	Each Thursday	7:30 P.M	Room 7
FARIS	As Called		Camp Alzafzar
GOLF UNIT	2nd Tuesday	7:00 P.M	Room 8
HIGHLANDERS BAND	Each Wednesday	6:30 P.M	Room 9
HILLBILLY CLUB	2nd Sun Feb., Apr.,	5:00 P.M	Roustabout
	June, Aug., Oct., Dec.		
HONOR GUARD	1st Monday	7:00P.M	Room 12
HOSPITAL CORPS	3rd Tuesday	7:00P.M	Room 6
HOT SANDS BBQ	Wed. before stated	7:00P.M	As Designated
MINI-WHEELS	2nd Tuesday	7:00P.M	Room 10
MOTOR CLUB	3rd Tuesday	7:00P.M	Room 9
MOTOR PATROL	3rd Monday	7:00P.M	Room 5
NEMNUF	2nd Monday	7:30P.M	Room 11
N.O.T.V.L.	2nd Friday	7:00P.M	As Designated
ORIENTAL BAND	Each Wednesday	7:00P.M	Room 7
PATROL	4th Monday	7:00P.M	Room 6
PROVOST GUARD	1st Wednesday	7:00P.M	Provost Room
RED ROADSTERS	1st Tuesday	7:00P.M	Room 10
RUFFIANS	3rd Sunday		Camp Alzafar
RV CLUB	As Called		As Designated
<u>SENIORS</u>	1st Thursday	12:00N	Roustabout
SHOTGUN	2nd Monday	7:00P.M	Directors Room

SHRINE CLUB MEETINGS

CAYNON LAKE	3rd Thursday	6:30 P.M	TBD
GUADALUPE VALLEY	3rd Monday	6:00 P.M	As Designated
HILL COUNTRY	2nd Wednesday	11:30 A.M	Inn of the Hills
LAREDO SC	1st Wednesday	7:00 P.M	As Designated

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS MEETINGS

ANCHOR MASONIC LODGE	1st & 3rd Thursday	7:00 P.M	Alzafar Rear
CIBOLO MASONIC LODGE	4th Monday	7:00 P.M	Alzafar Rear
PATTERSON MASONIC LODGE	2nd & 4th Wed	7:00 P.M	Alzafar Rear
VICTORY MASONIC LODGE	2nd & 4th Tue	7:00 P.M	Alzafar Rear
DE-MOLAY	2nd Thursday	6:00 P.M	As Designated
DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE	2nd Thursday	7:30 P.M	Parlors Room
LADIES ORIENTAL SHRINE	1st Thursday	7:00 P.M	Parlors Room
ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR	1st Monday	6:00 P.M	Alzafar Rear

