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Notice of Stated Meeting & Installation of Officers

The following Stated Meeting of Alzafar Shriners will be on **MARCH 10TH, 2022** at 7:30 pm in 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 2022 DUES CARD WILL BE REQUIRED FOR ADMITTANCE into any STATED MEETINGS.

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Thomas D. Leverett
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Robert M. Norman II

Potentate: Illustrious Sir, Robert M. Norman, II



Illustrious Sir Robert M. Norman, II
 Potentate of Alzafar Shriners

Hello Alzafar!! Time is flying by. They say time flies when having fun. Although we have been busy, we are making sure we are having fun at the same time.

February was a very productive month. We had a lot going on. The month started off with the winter plunge with the Brews Brothers, Divan/Finance meeting, stated meeting, Sadie Hawkins Dance, your Divan attended mid-winter and then we were off to Laredo. If you were unsure if your Shrine is back, February proved we are BACK.

Last month at our stated meeting our very own First Lady, Tiffany, shared with everyone in attendance, the First Ladies Project "Driven by Movement". What an amazing endeavor Tiffany and her team has embarked on to raise money for the Motion Analysis Center in our Texas Shrine Hospital. There is more information on this project in this edition of the Achbar.

We started the year off by saying we wanted to work on the way we communicate to our members. We stated we needed everyone's help making sure their email is correct in the Webfez system. The majority of the communication comes out of the office via Maria in the new feature that Webfez offers. This is a one stop shop that assist with the office not having to send the same email out three to four times getting the information to you all. If you are reading this and thinking to yourself "I haven't received any emails", I would ask you to login to Webfez and ensure your email is correct. We have really tried our best to improve the communication and the happenings of your Shrine.

This month we will celebrate our members with the Nobility Ball and Public Installation of Officers. The ball will be held on March 26th starting at 5 PM. The theme for the ball is Patriotic Country. We will have food, drinks, live music, a photo booth, and a few surprises. You don't want

to miss this party. Please call the office and RSVP as soon as possible. Bring a friend, co-worker, or neighbor. This is a great way to introduce them to the Shrine and Masonry. The cost for this event is a whopping \$25 a person or a table of 10 for \$250. This is going to be a night to remember.

Last month we were unable to award a member the “Shriner of the Month” award. Not because there wasn’t someone deserving but because we didn’t receive any nominations. We would like to ask you all to think about someone that has gone above and beyond and send their names to us. This is only one of the many ways we can honor one of our very own.

Thank you all for what you do and continue to do. We look forward to see you all in the near future. Like always, if you think there is something we can do better or you have a suggestion, stop us and let us know. Lady Tiffany and I look forward to visiting with you all. Thank you again for the opportunity to lead you.



Lady Tiffany Norman
First Lady of Alzafar Shriners

First Lady Feature

Driven by Movement is in motion. Get it? In case you missed the stated meeting, might I give you some insight on Driven by Movement. This is Alzafars’ First Lady’s Project for the year. In case you were wondering, Driven by Movement will showcase two pairs of crafted earrings, made locally from a small business owner out of Seguin, Texas. The earrings, as pictured, represent the “Tree of Life”.

The meaning of the “Tree of Life” varies. Different symbols make up the symbol in areas such as: a connection to everything; ancestry, family, & fertility; growth and strength; individuality, immortality, & rebirth; and peace. We ultimately take many components out of the meaning

to find our own.

The branches represent how a family grows & expands. It shows strength to weather the toughest storms. It symbolizes our individuality but our ability to personally grow and mature as different experiences help shape who we are. New branches break off & new ones grow. Through it all, we remain strong

All net proceeds from the earrings will benefit the Motion Analysis Lab at Shriners Texas. Myself, the Divan, and our incredible Brand Ambassador, Mandy Anderson, are extremely excited to see where this First Lady’s Project takes us in 2022. To find out more information, visit: www.drivenbymovement.square.site.

If you, or someone you know, are interested in donating or purchasing one or both pairs, please reach out to myself, Mandy Anderson, or the website listed above. Shipping is available. If a digital method (CashApp, Venmo, PayPal), is utilized outside of ordering via the website, please provide the following information when purchasing: Full Name, Shipping Address, Phone Number, Which Pair(s).

- Cash App: \$DrivenByMovement
- Venmo: @DrivenByMovement
- Paypal: drivenbymovement@gmail.com

Thank you so much for your support! We are excited, in full gear, and ready to go!



Noble Richard A. "Rick" Reyeys, III
Chief Rabban of Alzafar Shriners

Alzafar, as we move throughout the year, I am encouraged to see and hear of all the great things we are doing as an organization. Please continue to put the fraternity and philanthropy at the forefront of your efforts, and we are bound to succeed. I have a couple of items to address in my article this month. The first has to do with approaching ideas and expectations concerning Shrine events. The second will assist the nobility in an understanding of events to come as we move through this year.

Events put on at the Shrine have little chance for success if we try to accomplish them overnight. Successful undertakings are not thought up as a whim and then implemented the next day. They come from days and sometimes months and even years of thoughtful planning, careful consideration, and strategic application. Please understand, when you have an idea, the onus is on you, and you should not simply approach the Divan and say, "Here is my idea, and you need to do it!" As the idea person, the expectation is that "you" have somewhat developed the idea. It would be best to propose which side of our organization will benefit from the concept and put a business plan together to implement the idea. As Illustrious Sir Eric DeWalt would say, "One man can make a difference, but one man can not do it alone! We need you to continue developing your ideas and assisting the nobility in ensuring those ideas aim for success. For example, a few Nobles had the idea of jumping into a pool of cold water and calling it a Winter Plunge. They then thought about how they could raise funds for our philanthropy. They developed a strategy that would include outside sources in their fundraising efforts. Finally, after several years, they raised \$10,000 for Shriners Hospitals. Well done, gentlemen!

As for the events to come for the year, at this point, we have contracts on their way for Alzafar's primary fundraiser for the year. The expectation is to try something new and to grow it over time. I speak about our proposed "Sportsman's Extravaganza," we have a band on board to perform for this new November project. In conjunction, we've started sanctioning a BBQ cook-off, and we have the list of raffle items and agreements in place with the organization that will be providing more than 60 firearms, gift cards, and outdoor items for the event. As a sidebar, in addition to our November extravaganza, we have finally received a contract for consideration on the Carden Circus. At the writing of this article just a week ago, January 31st, the proposed Circus contract arrived via email. Your Board of Directors and the Temple Attorney have that contract in hand. As a Divan, with the advice of counsel, we are diligently reviewing it to determine if it is in the best interest of Alzafar to go forward.

More to come on all fronts.
Fraternally,
Rick Reyes, CR



Noble Marco Zuniga
Assistant Rabban of Alzafar Shriners

Hello Nobles!! What a great start to the new year and boy have we been busy! First, I'd like to congratulate the Hot Sands BBQ unit for competing in the San Antonio Rodeo BBQ Cookoff. Over 290 teams competed and we definitely put our name out there. Kudos to all who played a role in making it a success. If you missed it, you also missed an awesome concert put on by our brothers Dennis Stevens, Scott Stefick, Scott Thomas along with his son Braydon. They definitely put on a great show!

Brews Brothers had their annual Polar Plunge, congrats and thank you for a job well done men!

April 19th will be the annual Foreigner concert at the Tobin center. We will be looking for 20 volunteers to help sell cd's. Get with me ASAP if you're interested.

Preparation is well under way for our Gala, which is set for October 1st. We definitely can use any help available. Please reach out to Lady Lori or myself so we can put your expertise to work. Also, don't forget our Annual Children's Easter Party coming up April 10th. Make sure to get your rsvp in.



Thank you again for your continued support.



Noble Mike Long

Marco High Priest of Alzafar Shriner's
Happy March, Alzafar; I can't believe a third of the year has almost passed. I've been working diligently on several new fundraisers for Alzafar and the Transportation Fund. The first fund-raiser will be the third annual Fishing for Kids in July after the Imperial Session. The proceeds of this event will once again be given over to our hospital transportation fund. I'm waiting for the fishery to release the red snapper season dates before posting the actual date.

The next event will be held in the Shrine Auditorium on Saturday, June 18th. Martinez Entertainment will produce a Lucha Libre (Mexican Wrestling) event; doors will open to VIPs only at 6pm. VIPs will have a meet and greet

and get autographs from performers. The first card will start at 8. In early April, tickets and Paid Parking will be posted online on a ticket web page. Tickets will start at \$35 and up to \$75 for special VIP access. There will be only 4 dedicated VIP tables. The 4 VIP tables will have seating for 8. They will be available for a contribution of \$1000 a table and assigned a waitress for adult beverages. Proceeds from this event will also go toward Alzafar's Transportation Fund.



On August 20th, we will have our Alzafar Shrine Ceremonial. More details will follow, and rest assured it will be like no traditional Shrine Ceremonial. I'm working to make this more memo-rable for the new nobles. The day will probably not start until 1-2, as the Hot Sands privacy is no longer allowed.

I've decided that there will NOT be a chili cook-off held at Alzafar's main campus or at camp this year as produced by the High Priest and Prophet. I've evaluated the past events spanning several years, and there haven't been new nobles made at the event. There will be a Texas Country Concert held at the Alzafar Shrine Pavilion this year. The artists selected are up and coming, and we expect to draw a younger crowd. All lodges and appendant bodies will be invited to this event. Bring an E.A., F.C., or a Master Mason who is not a Shriner at no cost. Yes, free for the prospect. Show them we have tons of fun, and we might see a petition in the future. The event will be held on October 15th, starting at 6:30pm. Tickets will go on sale mid-May, starting at \$35 per person, with VIP Table price announced later. This is a fraternal fundraiser and will benefit Alzafar Shrine.

Lastly, our Memorial Service will take place on November 6th. So mark your calendars with more details to come. If you know a Noble who has passed or a Shrine lady to be recognized, please contact Maria Olmos at our office number (210) 496-1625 or email her a Mariaal-zafar@gmail.com. You are the best resource to ensure our dearly departed are respectfully re-membered.

Michael Long
HP&P Alzafar
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Noble Steve White

Oriental Guide of Alzafar Shriners

I have hit the ground running working on great things to come at your Temple. First thing I must admit, I have a lot to learn. I am so impressed with the Divan of your Alzafar Shrine. I have worked on many boards, and this by far is the greatest. The vision is clear, and everyone is a team player. How refreshing this is to have ideas that members have presented about change, and everyone is respectful and listens.



The Easter party is coming up soon, and it will be a blast. We have photo opportunities in the Shrine airplane with the Easter Bunny, crafts for the kids, egg hunt, food, beverages, and much more. The Easter party will be held on April 10, 2022, from 2:00pm to 4:00 pm; please RSVP to the Shrine office at 210-496-1625 to accurately count attendees.

WE NEED YOUR HELP.

1. Donations of Easter Baskets for all ages.
2. Donations of Money.
3. Donation of help at the event.
4. Stuffing 1,500 eggs on March 19th at 9:00am inside the Temple.

By the time you read this, you would have heard about Morgan's Wonderland project and the Special Olympics that we will participate in with the assistance of our Nobles. Stay tuned, as we will have a unit roundtable coming soon to help our Shrine Center move forward. Date to be announced soon and looking forward to a fun turnout of nobles

Friday, I am heading to TSA Mid-Winter in Galveston. It should be fun representing Alzafar Shrine. I am also one

of the keynote speakers in the afternoon. The talk will be about your Texas Hospital Merger and construction taking place. There will also be a PowerPoint presentation to show our progress. Should any shrine or non-shrine organization look for a guest speaker, I am available. Until next month do what we do the best fellowship, friendship, and making a difference in a child's life every day.

Yours in Faith
Steve White
Oriental Guide



Noble David Olivares

Treasurer of Alzafar Shriners

We are now in the third month of the first quarter of 2022. This month brings us many things to celebrate, such as Mardi Gras Starts on March 1st, Day Light Savings Time on March 13th, St. Patrick's Day on March 17th, and the First day of spring, which falls on March 20th. It also brings us our 2022 Alzafar Shrine Nobility Ball on March 26th. This is the night we will hold our public installation of officers and celebrate the start of another great year for Alzafar. It will be a Patriotic theme so be sure to wear your best patriotic duds to celebrate our Shrine and our Nation! U.S.A., U.S.A.! U.S.A.! Please mark your calendar and plan to attend.

We continue to make progress with the bookkeeping as we look forward to having a more streamlined process of recording and processing YOUR Temple's income and expenditures. Thank you, Noble Andy, and the Ladies in the office. Be sure to thank them for the next time you see them for a job well done,

The Market has been up and down, and we lost a little ground in our investments in the early part of the year. As they say, though, we need to look at it over the long haul. Our assets are still doing well, and we look forward to a recovering market. We also continue to book the Shrine

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Happy Birthday Nobles of March

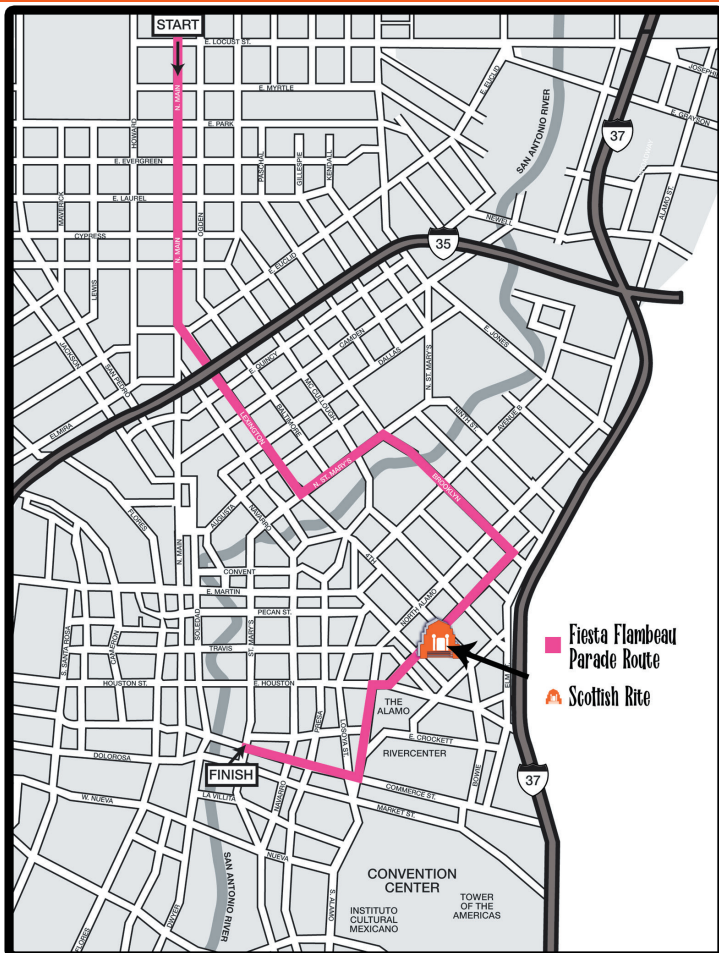
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The Fiesta Flambeau has decided not to go down Broadway this year due to the ongoing construction on the road. Instead, the event parade route will start at the intersection of Main and Locust streets. The parade participants will then travel down Lexington Avenue to Brooklyn, before heading toward the Alamo.

The two annual festivities are back as in 2019. After being canceled in 2020 and 2021, respectively, they were reinstated this year. The commission said it does not know if the parades will return to Broadway next year.

Has someone called the Scottish Rite?



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Center and will most likely have one of our best years in Gross income from the rentals. Thank you, Joy, for all you do.

If you look around the Temple, you will notice improvements all around the building. Building Improvements is one of our Illustrious Sir Robert Norman's items he wanted to carry out this year. As previously stated, we need to take care of our assets, and the Shrine Center is one of our largest and most profitable assets. We take care of it, and it continues to take care of us!

Please remember that the Monthly Divan and Finance committee meetings are open to the Nobility. In February, we had several Nobles stop by. It was great seeing some of them join us, and I hope you join us again. This is where you, as Nobles for Alzafar Shrine, can see what YOUR elected Board is doing with YOUR Shrine and YOUR money!

Sincerely and fraternally,
David Olivares
Alzafar Treasurer
alzafartreasurer@gmail.com



Recorders Corner:
Tee-Bone Tommy Leverett
Recorder to the Stars

The beginning and the end of the year are always busy times in the life of a Recorder. Divan Mid-Winter, check. Laredo Parade, check.

My 6-year Grandson, Peanut, cannot wait for the Easter Party. Thanks to Covid, he could only participate in an Easter Drive through a party. The year before, he collected three eggs and 4 rocks.

The organization is a terrible thing to waste. OK, I don't

know anybody that ever said that, but we have a new mail system for all the Units and Clubs in the workroom next to the office. Please make sure one of your officers checks to see if you have mail in your slot. If your Unit or Club has a Fund-Raising Activity, make copies and put them in all the other places to know of your activity.

Are you on the Potentate's good list or bad? Have you turned in your list of officers for the 2022 Directory? Have you turned in your A/B Financial Report? Both these items were due on January 31, 2022.

Own a place at Camp Alzafar? When I first purchased our Cabin at Camp, the annual rent was \$175 a year. The yearly rent is \$650 as last year and is due by March 1, 2022. The annual assessment is the same \$100 as last year and is due by June 1, 2022. I am forced to turn over 4 Nobles that did not pay their assessment for 2021. They can no longer use their Cabin or Trailer and risk losing their spot at Camp Alzafar. It breaks my heart, but everyone needs to follow the rules, or the Temple Attorney gets involved.

Get involved in a Unit or Club, make a trip to our Galveston Hospital when they open up for Shriners to visit, come out and join us for the next parade and find out why I say "Alzafar Rocks."

A Salam-Alakuum "Peace be upon you."



Greetings Alzafar,
Your local Masters of the Mashtung here. We would like to thank everyone involved in the Rodeo Bar B Que Cookoff; if you assisted in some capacity or just ventured out to visit and help showcase Alzafar to the public, muchisimas gracias. It was a grand weekend.

The Brews Brothers held our annual Polar Plunge, headed up by our very own Russell Brown this past month, 5 February out at Camp Alzafar. We had a total of 9 participants (6 returning and 3 newbies), daring to brave the cold waters of the pool; waters were temped at 43 degrees. This being our 4th year, Russell set the bar high, and the event reached his goal- \$10,000 for Alzafar's Transportation

Fund.



We cannot thank our friends and allied brewers in the San Antonio Cervecedores, for their continued support of Alzafar and the Brews Brothers. We look forward to having several of their members finish up their petitions and become Masons. Like minded Friends becoming Brothers, they will be a welcomed addition to our Masonic Fraternity. We must continue to look to our future.

Speaking of futures, we are looking forward to this year's TSA and the Texas Shrine Homebrewers Association annual competition. This year's styles for entry and the brewer are:

- Brett Beer- William "Beast" Brown
- Czech Dark Lager- Russell Brown
- Gose- Kenny Cason
- Imperial Stout- PP Link T Elmendorf
- Ginger Ale- James Vaughn

We are currently in need of Nobles to take on the last of the entries, Rhubarb Wine and Dry Mead.

If you would like to take on this challenge and learn the exciting process of turning mundane waters into dazzling beverages, hit us up.

Having had our February meeting at the Dooryard, here in town our March meeting will be held at Roadmap Brewing. Yes, we have meetings in the Wild and everyone is invited. Come on out for some fun and libation. "Drink to life and the passing show and the eyes of the prettiest girl you know." Slainte Mhath!!!

Craft Brewer
PP Link T Elmendorf



RV Club

By: Dave Browne

The January rally was held at the Old River Road RV Resort, close to Kerrville, TX.

We are starting to get back to regular rallies with a full slate of locations for 2022. Old River Road was a good place to kick off the new year. The park has all the amenities you could wish for. It is next to the Guadalupe River, they have a great rally room with kitchen, an indoor heated pool, a workout room and many more things to keep anyone entertained. The weather was cold as expected, but we did have one warm day to sit out and visit. Kerrville is close by, so there are plenty of restaurants and shopping opportunities. Everyone has to visit Gibson's which has a collection of just about everything. The group got together for meals and fellowship.

Our February rally will be held at the Redbud Ranch RV Resort in Hutto, Texas. The dates are February 24th through February 27th.

Our March rally will be held at the Vineyards RV Resort in Fredericksburg, Texas. March 24th through March 27th.

If you have an RV and want to have a lot of fun in a relaxed atmosphere with Brother Nobles and their Ladies, come out and rally with us. I know you will have a great time. Call Wagon Master Eddy Bowers (210-508-3989) or assistant Wagon Master Bill Liles (210-364-2075) for information about the next rally. You can always call me at (210-296-7674).





ALZAFAR MOTOR CLUB

Here we go, another year behind us in the rear view mirror and a new one facing us in the wind shield. From the last parade in December, to the first scheduled this year, there are eight weeks. That seemed like plenty of time to get needed maintenance, updates and upgrades and a thorough cleaning and polishing completed. Now the time is passing faster than the check off list can be accomplished. Thankfully the Fez worn during parades and special events hides the newly acquired gray hairs that have come to light fretting over getting everything done.

This year's officers are the same as last year's. Apparently they were so good at what they do the Club just couldn't let them go. President Ken Whited, James Hoyo Treasurer and Steven Fisk Secretary. There is a new member to the leadership team, Oscar Flores has stepped into the position of Vice-President. We welcome him with a checkered flag wave to let him know we think he's a winner right from the starting line!

Our Spring Car Show is scheduled for March 19. Look for details in the Achbar. This is the Club's 60th year of being around and we are looking to make both the Spring and Fall Car Shows something special. A lot of ideas are being worked on to put them into reality to celebrate this accomplishment and we extend an open invitation for every Noble to join us this year and be a part of our history.

February's meeting will be a Sweethearts Dinner meeting on the 15th. We will enjoy the fine cuisine that Paesanos Italian Restaurant has to offer at 555 E. Basse Road. Social hour begins at 6:00 pm. So if you haven't made special plans for Valentine's Day to treat your significant other, then join us and spoil your Lady. And even if you have made plans on Valentine's Day, come out the day after and get out of two days of cooking that week – it'll be our secret!

As part of the Club's 60 year celebration we will feature a member each month who has been around and an integral part of our success. I am throwing out a challenge to all

other Clubs and Units to submit an article each month on one of your members, past or present. It would be interesting to know more about the Nobles of Alzafar. There is a lot of history and stories within and without the walls of our Temple, help share these treasures!

This month Alzafar Motor Club's featured Noble is George Wilson. George was a member of the Square and Compass Lodge in Kunitachi, Japan while there serving in the United States Air Force. George retired as a Chief Master Sargent and spent his time overseeing the maintenance of Heavy Haul aircraft to keep them Mission Ready.

He joined the Scottish Rite Valley of Tokyo, the Consistory of Japan. Upon returning stateside he was a member of Nile Shrine in Mountlake Terrace, Washington. In 1980 he became a member Alzafar Shrine. That is 42 years with us!

In speaking with different friends and Nobles to learn about George, many interesting facts were discovered. George and his Lady Judy after marrying, lived in the house where she was raised in the Monte Vista neighborhood. After finishing his service with the U.S.A.F. they owned and operated a Pet Store in San Antonio. They had Yorkshire Terriers which he would proudly let anyone who would listen know that these are the best dogs ever. He enjoyed all things automotive from an early time in life. He had a '32 Ford 5 window coupe in his early days that his friends were envious of. It was not long after becoming a member of Alzafar Shrine that he found a home with the Antique Carriage Club. He acquired a Model T that had been in New Mexico and was functioning as a chicken coop.

George has lovingly restored his Model T to the point it is rated as 99.9% accurate by the Model T American and International Associations. Last year he received a certificate for his car being 100 years old. He calls her "KIT T." The story behind the name is that at a car show another person there claimed George's car was a kit car, not an original. After much "discussion" the other fellow was proven incorrect and that indeed the car was an original Model T. Thereafter George has called her "KIT T."

He will spend all the time in the world telling anyone who is interested in KIT T everything about her. Every detail and fact that will surprise you. I only learned at the last car show that KIT T's body is wood! I was astounded since it looks like sheet metal well painted and polished. It is also the first car to have come from the factory with windows enclosing the entire cab.

George has served Alzafar in many ways throughout the years. He has been in the Roustabouts, the Director;s Staff and for many years done the stage work in the Arch Degree as the Old Red Fez Carrier.

He is usually at the sign in table at every stated meeting greeting the Nobles who come with a big smile! One of his frequent sayings kind of goes like this; "Brother I may not remember your name, but I can see from the Fez on your head and the smile on your face, you're MY FRIEND!"



Here is a photo of George with KITT in the background and future Alzafar Motor Club members alongside him. Check out his SMILE!!!



BOERNE SHRINE CLUB

Hooray! We finally are kicking off a New Year with a Club meeting in January. The last two years have interrupted our schedule, but we are off to a good start.

The Club's officers for the year are President Steven Fisk, Vice-President Ed Mueller and Secretary/Treasurer is Abb Kestler. I would like to note that Noble Mueller joined the Club in November, the same night we were having elections, and promptly volunteered to step into the position he now holds. So congratulations and thank you for rising to the occasion Ed!

We are officially meeting the 3rd Wednesday of the month at the Hungry Horse Restaurant in Boerne. They have been very accommodating and have a great menu. If you are in

the area on a night we meet then drop on by and spend an hour or so with us.

Chief Rabban Rick Reyes III visited us and conducted the installation of the year's officers. He shared a lot of Shrine news with those present and gave us a fantastic idea to pursue for a future fund raiser.

We are looking forward to a full year of activities and hope to see y'all around to join with us. Our next meeting is on February 16 with social hour starting at 6:00 pm followed by our meeting at 7:00 pm. Nobles and your Ladies are all welcomed.



**ALZAFAR SHOTGUN UNIT
AKA SMOKIN' CLAYS
By Dave Jackson**

Greetings to all. The Smokin' Clays will have completed its first tournament of 2022 by the time you read this. The Texas Shrine Shotgun Sports Association (TSSSA) hosted its Mid-Winter Shoot on March 12 at Bryan-College Station. Temples from all over Texas will meet for a day of Sporting Clays challenges. Sporting Clays represents multiple hunting scenarios over a course of 10 to 12 stations. This presents a unique shooting experience and is expected to provide some tall tales and bragging rights by the end of the course.

We'll be practicing hard over the next couple of months as our biggest tournament of the year is just around the corner. The TSA shoot will be held in June in Wichita Falls. The discipline changes for TSA and we will be shooting Trap and Skeet. We will also be holding our drawing for a Beretta A300 Ultima Shotgun and a Ruger 10/22 Carbine 22 LR. See any Shotgun unit member for your lucky ticket!

And, if you're interested in shooting with us, either just for fun, or even competing with us, give us a holler. We'd love to see you out on the range. As a reminder, our stated meetings are held on the sec-

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ond Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Director's Staff room. And come early as our Honorary Third Vice and Chief Chef, Noble David Hadley, always serves a fine dinner starting at 6:30. Until next month keep your powder dry and remember as long as there is lead in the air, there is hope!



**Nekodah Temple No. 44
Daughters of the Nile
Queen Margie Flores**

My year as Queen is coming to an end this month, I want to thank the Ladies of the Household for their support and enthusiasm. I also appreciate the support I received from the Alzafar Divan and the Nobles. Thank you, Queen Margie

The 2022-2023 Officer elections is March 10th, if you are interested in an office, please contact Queen Margie Flores. The Nekodah Open Installation of Officers is Saturday, March 19, 2022 at 2:00pm in the Alzafar Shrine Center Ballroom.

2022-2023 dues notices have been mailed; if you have any questions, you may contact Pr Recorder, Rita Young, 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. Peggy Songer, PQ. Charlie Bedgood, Pr. Rita Young and Pr Regina Beseth.

We are Nekodah Strong



**Ladies Oriental Shrine of North America
Lady Ann Teague, High Priestess**

It has been a year to remember. Many fundraisers and fun by all. Now that the year is coming to an end, we would like to invite everyone to the open Installation of Officers on March 26th at 1 pm at the Shrine. We would like all Shriners, Divan, family, and friends to join us. Light refreshments will be server after the Installation.

We are always looking for great ladies to join our wonderful organization. We would also like members who have been with us for a few years to please come back and see all the wonderful changes that have been happening. The organization has come to the 21st century and more changes for the better to come.

If you have any updates to your contact information, 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. It is all about the kids. Come see any member or email Altrui.Court@gmail.com if you or anyone you know would like to join us, please email us and someone will contact you.

Until next time, stay safe.



IN MEMORY OF:

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Shirley Basham
Betty J. Gimbel
Bill Mellon
Sue & Kevin Pollok
PP Terry Zittle & Lady Aileen
Betty & Jeff Puckett



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

ALZAFAR UNIT MEETING SCHEDULE

BAND	Each Thursday	6:30 P.M.	Room 7
BREWS BROTHERS	4 th Wednesday	7:30 P.M.	Room 5
BURNING SUN	2 nd Wednesday	7:00 P.M.	Room 5
CABIRI	Wed. 2 nd Thru.	12:00 N	As Designated
CAMP ALZAFAR	Memorial Day	12:00 N	Camp Pavilion
	July 4 th & Labor Day		
CHAPARRAL	1 st Monday	7:30 P.M.	Room 4
DE-MOLAY	2 nd Thursday	6:00 P.M.	As Designated
DESERT KNIGHTS	3 rd Wednesday	7:00 PM	Directors Rm.
DIRECTORS STAFF	2 nd Tuesday	7:30 P.M.	Directors Rm.
DRUM CORPS	Each Thursday	7:30 P.M.	Room 8
FARIS	As Called		Camp Alzafar
GOLF UNIT	2 nd Tuesday	7:30 P.M.	Room 7
HIGHLANDERS BAND	Each Thursday	6:30 P.M.	Room 9
HILLBILLY CLAN	2 nd Sun Feb., Apr.	5:00 P.M.	Roustabout
	June, Aug., Oct., Dec.		
HONOR GUARD	1 st Monday	7:30 P.M.	Room 12
HOSPITAL CORPS	3 rd Tuesday	7:00 P.M.	Room 6
HOT SANDS BBQ	Wed. before stated	7:00 P.M.	Pavilion
KERR KLOWNS	4 th Monday	7:00 P.M.	Room 11
LEGION OF HONOR	4 th Thursday	7:00 P.M.	Room 4
MINI-WHEELS	2 nd Tuesday	7:30 P.M.	Room 10
MOTOR CLUB	3 rd Tuesday	7:00 P.M.	Room 9
MOTOR PATROL	3 rd Monday	7:00 P.M.	Room 5
NEMNUF	2 nd Monday	7:30 P.M.	Room 11
ORIENTAL BAND	Each Wednesday	7:00 P.M.	Room 8
PATROL	4 th Monday	7:00 P.M.	Room 6
PROVOST GUARD	1 st Wednesday	7:00 P.M.	Provost Gd.
RED ROADSTERS	1 st Tuesday	7:00 P.M.	Room 10
RUFFINAS	2 nd Sunday		Camp Alzafar
ROUSTABOUTS	1 st Wednesday	6:00 P.M.	Roustabout
RV CLUB	4 th Weekend		As Designated
SENIORS	1 st Thursday	12:00 N	Parlors
SHOTGUN	2 nd Monday	7:00 P.M.	Directors Rm
SONS OF HIRAM	1 st Monday	7:00 P.M.	Parlors
SASIRNOS CLOWNS	1 st Wednesday	7:00 P.M.	As Designated

SHRINE CLUB MEETINGS

BOERNE SC	3 rd Wednesday	6:30 P.M.	As Designated
CANYON LAKE	2 nd Monday	6:30 P.M.	Lakeside GC
FT. CLARK SPRINGS	4 th Saturday	6:30 P.M.	Ramada Inn
GUADALUPE VALLEY	3 rd Monday	6:00 P.M.	As Designated
HILL COUNTRY	1 st Monday	11:00 A.M.	Inn o/t Hills
LAREDO SC	1 st Wednesday	7:00 P.M.	As Designated

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS MEETINGS

ANCHOR MASONIC LODGE	2 nd +4 th Thurs.	7:00P.M.	Alzafar rear
CIBOLO MASONIC LODGE	4 th Monday	7:00 P.M.	Alzafar rear
KELLY MASONIC LODGE	1 st Tuesday	7:30 P.M.	Alzafar rear
VICTORY MASONIC LDG.	2 nd Tuesday	7:00 P.M.	Alzafar rear
DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE	2 nd Thursday	7:30 P.M.	Parlors
LADIES OF THE SHRINE	1 st Thursday	7:00 P.M.	Parlors



Former Potentates of Alzafar Shriners

1916 Frank R. Newton Sr*	1969 Keith Gerstner*
1917 Ted Millburn*	1970 Jack W. Cones, Jr.*
1918 J. A. Patterson*	1971 Bruce Waitz*
1919 Henry Rabe*	1972 Floyd F. Graham*
1920 Robert Burne*	1973 Drue H. Floyd*
1921 Sylvan Lang*	1974 Jack O. Dietz*
1922 Robert S. Michael*	1975 H.C. Kopplow*
1923 Nathan K. Tracy*	1976 W.H. "Bill" Elmore*
1924 H. W. Weber*	1977 Thurman Barrett, Jr.*
1925 Herman Horner*	1978 Floyd O. Schneider*
1926 Charles D. Hall*	1979 Reese L. Harrison, Jr.
1927 S. X. Callahan*	1980 Burdit W. McCoy*
1928 John Lomax*	1981 James V. Gullette*
1929 Henry A. Hirschberg*	1982 Joseph M. Clark*
1930 A.J. McKenzie*	1983 George D. Vann, Jr.*
1931 Louis P. Hartung*	1984 Joe Roy Hollaway*
1932 Anton N. Moursund*	1985 E.C. "Bud" Jordan*
1933 G.G. Grebenheimer*	1986 Sidney D. Autry*
1934 Porter Loring*	1987 Terry McGuire*
1935 P.D. Mathis*	1988 James Dockery, Jr.*
1936 Geo. F. Dullnig*	1989 George J. Labinski*
1937 Willard E. Simpson*	1990 James W. Todd
1938 C. Baumberger, Jr.*	1991 Ray Fuller*
1939 William Eifler*	1992 Robert "Bob" Jett
1940 William H. Wallace*	1993 Emmett C. George*
1941 Daniel O'Connell*	1994 E.C. "Ed" Vest*
1942 O.J. Solcher*	1995 Tom Boothe*
1943 Rennie Wright*	1996 Jerry Krupp*
1944 Albert A. Green*	1997 Harry D. Rose*
1945 W.D. Turbeville*	1998 Robert D. "Bob" Green
1946 Ted E. Poppe*	1999 Robert "Bobby" Hunt
1947 Alfred W. Harlos*	2000 Bob Stephens*
1948 Sam A. Chapman*	2001 Loren Hayes*
1949 Richard Adams*	2002 J. Philip Knight-Sheen
1950 Roy Akers*	2003 Wayne R. Duncan
1951 Glen K. Schuepbach*	2004 Steve R. Molnar*
1952 W.C. "Pat" Welch*	2005 Stuart H. Simms*
1953 Elliot J. Bilhartz*	2006 Frank B. Hunter*
1954 Ray H. Trimmier*	2007 Joseph Calvey
1955 T.M. McCormick*	2008 Paul F. McCombs
1956 H.S. Norman*	2009 James "Jim" Strayer*
1957 W.B. Jack Ball*	2010 Richard "Rick" Reyes II
1958 Floyd J. Griffin*	2011 Gregorio "G.I." Flores
1959 Henry W. Eitt*	2012 Robert "Bob" Jones
1960 Harvey McDonald*	2013 Tom Young
1961 L.L. Woodman*	2014 Expelled
1962 George W. Henry*	2015 Jay Dee Thomas
1963 Barney Norris*	2016 John Dunn
1964 Jack B. Lee*	2017 Gary Radvansky
1965 Robert B. O'Connor*	2018 Jason Triggs
1966 E. Jeff Ashcraft, Jr.*	2019 Eric DeWalt
1967 D. Neal Talley*	2020 Marty Bartlett
1968 Wm. H. Ferguson*	2021 L. Travis Elmendorf

Alzafar Shriners Who Are Former Potentates of Other Shrine Centers

1964 Roy Reynolds*	(El Bekal Shriners)
1970-71 Eldon O. Wesner*	(Anezeh Shriners)
1979 Ray Robinson	(Suez Shriners)
1981 Donald Garrido*	(Abou Saad Shriners)
1983 David Martin	(Suez Shriners)
1998 Terry Zittle	(Abou Saad Shriners)
2012 Rick Oberg	(El Zagal Shriners)

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