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Asst. Rabban	. Richard A. "Rick" Reyes, III
High Priest & Prophet	.Marco Zuniga
Oriental Guide	Mike Long
Treasurer	.David Olivares
Recorder	.Thomas D. Leverett

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2nd Ceremonial Master	William Brown
Director	Bert Gonzalez
Marshall	John Pendelton
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Outer Guard	David Hadley
Temple Photographer	Art Loera
Chaplain	Hoagy Elmendorf

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P.P. Robert L. Jett	. Emeritus Representative
Daniel M. Hutchison III	. Emeritus Representative
P.P. Robert W. Hunt	Elected Representative
P.P. Eric DeWalt	.Elected Representative

2021 FINANCE COMMITTEE

Potentate	.Link Travis Elmendorf
Chief Rabban	.Robert M. Norman, II
Asst. Rabban	.Richard A. "Rick" Reyes, III
4 years	.Alan Ditmore
3 years	.Garrett Ethridge
2 years	.Gary Bausell
1 year	.Kyle Jackson

Notice of Stated Meeting & Installation of Officers

The following Stated Meeting of Alzafar Shriners will be January 13, 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 AD-MITTANCE 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.

Recorder: Thomas D. Leverett

Potentate: Illustrious Sir, L.T. Elmendor



Illustrious Sir, L. Travis Elmendorf & Lady Brenda Potentate and First Lady of Alzafar Shriners

Hi ho Alzafar,

The finality of 2021 is here, it is December. A time of celebration and merriment. With this Achbar article, I check off one of the Lasts of Lasts. 5 years and 60 articles, this being the last time I write to you as a member of the Divan and as Potentate for 2021.

Nobles and Family, I am a humbled man, it has been an honor and gratifying experience in serving you and this great fraternity. I thank you for the opportunity and support you have provided through out the years. To be not only a witness but also participant in the willing and unselfish force that is provided by you the Nobility and families is truly awe inspiring.

We have done some work; we had some fun. Lady Brenda and I leave with our hearts full, memories in the bank and smiles upon our faces.

God Bless you Alzafar,

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.

Illustrious Sir, L. Travis Elmendorf

Alzafar

I truly did not know what to expect when we began this journey, it has been and awesome 5 years. Thank you for allowing Travis and I to support this great organization of men and mission.

We leave here with wonderful memories, friendships, and love. We look forward to seeing you again, once more in the mix. "Let's go Cornnuts!!" Mucho Love,

> Alzafar 1st Lady Brenda Marie Page 2





Robert M. Norman, II Chief Rabban of Alzafar Shriners

Hello Alzafar!! Can you believe it? This year is coming to an end! It seems just like yesterday we were starting 2021. Lady Tiffany and I have enjoyed serving you all as the Chief Rabban and Lady. We want to thank each and every one of you for the verbal encouragement, suggestions and willingness to assist in all we have done this year. We truly are blessed to be surrounded by so many outstanding individuals. We are hopeful for the opportunity to continue serving you all next year on the Divan. If given the opportunity to move forward, we have laid out great plans for next year.

One of the first things on the list for next year is the San Antonio Rodeo BBQ cookoff on January 28th and 29th.. This isn't just a Hot Sands BBQ Unit event. We want to get the entire Shrine involved. If you belong to a unit or a club and would like to participate, we want you. We are using this event to assist us with membership. I have said this over the last couple of months, that we need to work on membership outside of the walls of Alzafar. If you are in the building, the chances of you being a Shriner, are greater than not. So, if we are out in the community, there is a greater opportunity to get people to ask what we do and how can they do it. With the exposure we plan to have at this event, it should assist us in just that. We want as many units as we can get to help, aid, and assist with this endeavor. If your unit or club want to participate please get with me or any member of the membership team to be added to the list.

February will be a busy month for Alzafar. We will start the month off with the Polar Plunge. Then, we will kickstart parade season with the Washington's Day Parade

on February 19th in Laredo. We are working out the plans for that weekend. Two Grand Lodges, another shrine center, and Alzafar are planning to have a great time. Mark your calendar as you don't want to miss what's happening with our brothers in Laredo.

As we enter the holiday season, we want to wish vou and vour families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. If you are traveling during the holidays, we wish you safe travels. Remember our military during the holidays as some of them will be away from their families serving our great nation.



We look forward to having the opportunity to sit and visit with you all really soon. If there is something we can do for you or you have suggestions for us please don't hesitate to stop and talk with us when you see us. Thank you again for allowing us to lead you.



Richard A "Rick" Reves, III Assistant Rabban of Alzafar Shriners We are gearing up for the month of December. The Hospital Gala will be held on Saturday December 11th from 6-11pm at the Alzafar Shrine Ballroom. Dinner will be served and we will dance the night away with a live band. There will also be a silent and live auction. You can see the auction items and pay for your table on the website at Alzafar.org.

We are currently selling poinsettias for \$20 in honor of your loved ones. You can pay online or call the office and let them know who you are honoring with your Page 4

purchase. The names of those honored and the flowers will be displayed at the ball. You can take them home after the dance or pick them up at the Shrine office the following week.

We would like to thank everyone for their support this year. Money has been raised and children have gained strength and independence through the help of our hospitals. Thank you for your time and hard work and thank you for your generous donations.



"Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love." — Mother Teresa.



Marco Zuniga High Priest & Prophet of Alz

High Priest & Prophet of Alzafar Shriners Good day fellow Nobles, we are close to closing another year.

We recently had our Masonic Picnic/Salsa Competition which a good time was had by all. Congrats to our top Salsa winners, 1st place was Belinda Hernandez, 2nd Place was our First Lady Brenda Elmendorf and out People's Choice went out to our OG Michael Long. Thank you for all who came out to support and helping also raise some funds for our Transportation Fund with the Dunk the Divan booth. If you missed it, you missed a great time with food, dance and fellowship.

I would like to personally thank all who were also able to make our Memorial Service on Sunday November 7th. What a great tribute to our fallen brothers. As the year comes close to an end, Lady Lori and I can't thank you enough for you continued support and help throughout the year.

Marco



Mike Long Oriental Guide of Alzafar Shriners

Alzafar,

We are coming to a close to the end of the year, and it always a big turnout at our stated meeting for voting for your board of directors. Thank you for your vote of confidence for another year. 21 has been a great learning experience how things work.

The year isn't over for me quite yet, Sunday December 19th from 2-5pm is our kids Christmas Party. We will need help with setup and break down for the event. Please call Lisa (210-496-1625) in out office, and RSVP if you plan to come with your family. It is very difficult to gauge how many toys, or how much food to purchase if we don't RSVP. If your willing to volunteer wrapping gifts that will be at December 12th at 2pm.



While we are on the last quarter talk, I've been looking to have a replacement for circus that can be a huge fundraiser. This will take most of the year to put on till the event is over. Alzafar FEZtival of Trees, will be the event we will put on. If your wanting to be a part of this I'm needing a committee if 15 people who are

willing to volunteer their time, please email or text me. I will send an email out in January to hold a meeting. This isn't just a committee fundraiser but, all of Alzafar to turn the page, to a new fundraiser that all of us can be included.

Lastly, I want to wish each and every one of you, and your families a Happy Hanukkah, Very Merry Christmas, and a Memorable New Year!

Michael Long OG Alzafar 210-387-0025 mikelong.alzafar@gmail.com



David Olivares Treasurer of Alzafar Shriners

I would like to wish each of you a Happy Holidays! We are amidst the Christmas and New Year season. Fresh cool air, Christmas decorations and scents everywhere and smiles on everyone's face is what we are around every day. Please make sure you take in every moment and enjoy this time of year with your friends, brothers and loved ones. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Please remember to come out to the stated meeting and vote for our new slate of officers who will guide us through 2022. This is a big responsibility so please show your support!

I am going to keep this month's submission in the Achbar short!

Please enjoy the Holidays and remember to come and support YOUR Shrine and Shrine Officers for 2022.

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



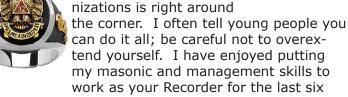
Recorder's Corner Tee-Bone Tommy Leverett Recorder to the Stars

I hope your Christmas and New Year were filled with Family and Friends. It is hard to believe we have winded down 2021 and getting ready to start 2022. It has been a pleasure to work with our Potentate Travis Link Elmendorf and first Lady Brenda. Travis worked too hard this year and pulled off a Great TSA and Imperial Session. Many times, the pressure got to me, and he would calmly talk me back into reality. Travis was always working on Alzafar's behalf, and our Fraternity is Stronger because of his direction.

October 15, I celebrated a milestone and turned 65. In January of 2022, I will celebrate 40 years as a Master Mason. I came into the Scottish-Rite and Shrine

years as a Master Mason. I Scottish-Rite and Shrine in Houston in 1983, so 40 years in these great orga-





years. By the time you read this, Achbar, we have had our elections. I hope you cared enough to come out to vote for your leaders. I was highly excited that we had two great candidates for Oriental guide. I am proud to call both these Nobles good friends.

If you have a place at Camp Alzafar, don't forget your lease payment is due NO LATER THAN MARCH 1ST and the assessment NO LATER THAN JUNE THE 1ST. You can pay your dues online using Webfez or mail a check to the office. For old school Nobles, we still take walk-

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in payments, and you can use your credit card.

Units and Clubs Please give the office a list of your 2022 Officers. We use this information to send out notices to get the word out on Shrine Activities. We will also be using



Webfez to email our members directly, so we have a good email address from you. Also, please keep us informed of changes in your vital information for our records.

Don't forget that all new Treasurers are reminded to turn in your Unit or Club's Financial Reports. In the old days, we called this the A & B Report.

Come out to our next event and see why we say, "ALZAFAR ROCKS!"



Noble Shelby Herber Chief of Staff of Alzafar Shriners

This Shriner would like to thank you for the opportunity granted to me to be 2021's Chief of Staff. It was a momentous year in learning, meeting, and getting

to know the intricacies that make up our fraternity and our Shrine. I would like to thank my lovely wife, Marci; without her support and dedication I could not have been able to take on this position; I LOVE YOU!! To all who provided your time, assistance and help in my efforts to fulfill the position, I am ever grateful. To my



friend and Potentate Travis Elmendorf- Thank you for the consideration and inclusion, not to mention the freedom to support and serve. I would be thoughtless if I did not thank those family members that came before me, my legacy, that opened they way to Masonry and the Shrine. The memories made will forever be mine.



Among the others that were honored at the 7 Nov Alzafar Memorial was Alfonso "Al" Aranda, AKA "Mr. Flags" was an institution not only to the Honor guard where he was the unit President three times, 1996,2012 and 2013, he was the main conscience of Alzafar when it came to proper etiquette and protocols for the National Colors and all things to do with honors to our Nation, State, and Temple. There were many member of the Honor Guard and family to pay their respects. The Ceremony was done in an outstanding manner- especially the "echo Taps" played at the end of the ceremony.

To keep Al's presence alive the following is offered as a reminder of the proper protocols for when the National Colors, Texas Colors and the Temple Colors are displayed and honors are rendered by the Nobility. It should be noted that a Military Hand Salute is a privilege that is earned in the military. A person in the military that is a prisoner or incarcerated for a crime is NOT ALLOWED to render a salute since that privilege is for honorably serving military members and veterans alone.

The National defense Authorization Act of 2008 (NDAA 2008) changed the way military and veterans are to honor the National Colors during the passing or playing of the National Anthem:

36 U.S. Code Title 36—PATRIOTIC AND NATIONAL OBSERVANCES, CEREMONIES, AND ORGANIZATIONS Subsection 301

- (b)Conduct During Playing. —During a rendition of the national anthem—
- (1) when the flag is displayed—
- (A) individuals in uniform should give the military salute at the first note of the anthem and maintain that position until the last note;
- (B) members of the Armed Forces and veterans who are present but not in uniform may render the military salute in the manner provided for individuals in uniform; and
- (C) all other persons present should face the flag and stand at attention with their right hand over the heart, and men not in uniform, if applicable, should remove their headdress with their right hand and hold it at the left shoulder, the hand being over the heart; and

(2) when the flag is not displayed, all present should face toward the music and act in the same manner

Happy Birthday Nobles of DECEMBER

Nick Ramos Michael A Harris Jorge Espinoza Paul G Hulgan Edward Lee Koepke Thomas H Hirte Mark D Lyle Stephen D White Don M Edmondson Jerry L Cowan Alex G Perez Albert L Putnam Johnny A Linton Daniel E Coburn Darwin W Stainback **Grant F Lucas** Andrew J Perez Sanford W Allen Jesus Martinez Daniel Earl Carbaugh Jr. Richard A Merrey Roger A Cockrell Martin L Bartlett **Durwood Edwards** Walter Kaster Robert L Lewis Bill D Mvers Ronald Duane Zipp Daniel J Dailey David L Knape Thad S Miner Clifton A Stewart Jr David Leon Cardwell

James A Farless Alfred P Martinez Jason J Gilmore Nathan M Mills John H Stevens Lon L Hubbard Henry R Griffith Terrance J Degrood Joe E Hightower Travis G Cabello James D Pavliska Philip C Leveck Jose G Ayala Vazquez Charles E Wheeler Richard Small R G Floyd Kirmon C Smith Reggie L Grimes Gordon K Scheible William G Dykman Jr. Robert W Plested **Eddie Schimmel** Luis A Recio John M Vasquez Jr. Ernest C Reich III Oscar Flores James E Franklin Alfred J Harrison Carlos Villa Sauceda Daniel S Mishket Donny A Green Garrett M Ethridge Arvel Seals Jr

Paul A Tolar Terry E Buske Pedro Granato Jr. Kenneth E Steitle Terrance A Gonzalez Gaylord K Randel Reagan K Wurzbach Charles E Smith Brian D Zalesky David Wesley Gulley Frank L Galindo Robert Warren Hensley George L Rodriguez Mark Paddock Charlie V Fuller Douglas J Fletcher III David L Hernandez Dwayne W Thompson James F Gantt John E Kienzle John M Vasquez Martin G Rivas Charles W Dewees Jerry C Smitha George Mills Arturo M Loera Phillip L Spiegel Richard A Moser Gilberto G Rangel Jesus A Araiza John N Viner Andrew T Libby Christopher D De La Pena Jerry O Vest Joe M Sanchez Robert N Chaffin Jonathan D Akers Stanley V Keene Milton R Theis Jr. Marvin Dean Krebsbach Herbert H Johnson Donnie R Stevens Steven L Carnes Kenneth A Keller Matthew W Brown Clarence L Thompson Jim D Sandell Joseph A Avalos Ben Ruston Jr. Alberto Valdez Juan M De La Rosa Jeffrey C Hawley Matthew P Archilla Mario E Pena Jr. Gilberto R Salinas Guzman James M Mc Crae Richard Rov Grona Samuel W Callahan Flovd Dean Cox Stuart D Shaw David G Bruton Wayne Springer Robert B Beseth Patrick E Turner Frederick L Hitchcock Brian G Niday Victor B Gomez

they would if the flag were displayed. (Pub. L. 105–225, Aug. 12, 1998 et Seg.)

The NDAA of 2013 changed the Pledge of Allegiance to the following; 4 U.S. Code § 4 - Pledge of allegiance to the flag; manner of delivery;

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: "I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.", should be rendered by standing at attention facing the flag with the right hand over the heart. When not in uniform men should remove any non-religious headdress with their right hand and hold it at the left shoulder, the hand being over the heart. Persons in uniform should remain silent, face the flag, and render the military salute. Members of the Armed Forces not in uniform and veterans may render the military salute in the manner provided for persons in uniform.

the law was amended as; It should be noted that if you render a Hand salute you do NOT speak the words out loud, if you place your hand over your heart you DO speak the words out loud.

While not done often at Temple stated Meetings, the Texas Pledge is done at Blue Lodges and here are the proper procedures:

Texas GOVERNMENT CODE

TITLE 11. CH 3100; SUBCHAPTER C. PLEDGE OF ALLE-GIANCE TO STATE FLAG;

Texas Pledge

Sec. 3100.103. ORDER OF RECITATION. The pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States should be recited before the pledge of allegiance to the state flag if both are recited.

Added by Acts 2001, 77th Leg., ch. 1420, Sec. 7.001, eff. Sept. 1, 2001. Sec. 3100.104. RECITING PLEDGE. If the pledge to the state flag is recited, each person who is present and: (1) not in uniform should: (A) face the state flag and stand at attention with the person's right hand over the heart; (B) if wearing a head covering that is easy to remove, remove that head covering with the right hand and hold it at the person's left shoulder, with the person's hand over the heart; and (C) recite the pledge; or (2) in uniform should remain silent, face the flag, and make the military salute. Added by Acts 2001, 77th Leg., ch. 1420, Sec. 7.001, eff. Sept. 1, 2001.

Thank you all for your attention in rendering proper respect to the National, Texas, and Temple colors and Pledges.

Noble Mike Jaeger Alazafar Honor Guard Drill Commander



Eagle Pass • Publicado el 2021-11-16 Racherita.com.mx Alzafar Potentate Travis Elmendorf presents Certificate of Appreciation to CPB Eagle Pass Chief Paul del Rincó

Representatives of San Antonio Shriners came to the Eagle Pass Bridge Two to acknowledge Customs and Border Protection authorities that have facilitated humanitarian travel permits for injured Mexican children to cross into the United States to receive specialized medical care at Shriners Hospitals for Children©.

Noble Arnoldo Guajardo Salinas, a representative of the Alzafar Shriners, said that they came to the border to recognize the humanitarian work of Eagle Pass and Piedras Negras officials. Immigration and Customs officials played an integral part in allowing children who do not have immigration documents to enter the United States to receive specialized pediatric medical care and to travel with an accompanying family member.

Attending on behalf of Eagle Pass Customs (CBP) di-



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rector Paul del Rincón, and Pete Macias, the officer in charge of the International Bridge One; also present were the Mexican Consul in Eagle Pass, Ismael Naveja, and director of the Red Cross in Piedras Negras Homero Martínez with members of Alzafar Shriners.



A reader of the **San Antonio ExpressNews** asked

their resident historian Paula Allen about a drag strip, the Double Eagle Raceway, off Rittiman Road. Paula Allen, of course, called up-on Alzafar Shriner Tom Foster



to give the readers some background. The story began like this;

The Double Eagle is where legal, organized drag racing got its start here — beyond the city limits of Northeast San Antonio at what was described as "all the way to the dead-end of the Rittiman Road, (then) turn left for one mile," or "on the Gibbs-Sprawl Road, 2 ½ miles east of Kirby," in directions on flyers and news releases. The facilities — staging area, quarter-mile track, return road, timing tower, bleachers, and snack stand — were located on a flat plain between Rittiman and Walzem roads.

Our own Tom responds and gives us a more remarkable tale. Paula had asked several years ago about the Double Eagle strip. I replied with a bit of information. Then recently, in the wake of the racing disaster in Kerrville a few weeks ago, she emailed me again and asked for more details on the location and area where the track was.

I had high school friends and mentors, mainly in the Gear Grinders, but I didn't have enough funds to get serious about racing, then or now. But I did manage to, uh, enhance my '53 Ford's character a little, encouraged by some church friends who were eventually more ac-tive in drag racing and circle track events later. So I ran the '53 at Double Eagle a few times and was in awe of those who were able to encourage a lot more power out of anything. I ran, I think, a class called 'M/Stock,' when the top ranks were A or AA/Stock, or Gas, or Al-tered, or whatever. You can see that I was — SLOW. But I did manage a trophy in my near-the-bottom class, so the hook was set, and it's still tugging on me every time there's a For-mula 1 or sports car event on

television.

I've competed at the drags in a '78 Nova, our '01 Mustang, the '09 Cadillac CTS, and my '12 Mustang for the first time last year. My best time was 113-something, and 14 seconds elapsed time. Drags and circle track racing on television are never in my TV priorities; I need the atmosphere and noise and so on. The hook is still embedded.

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Regards, **Tom Foster**



The Provost Guard Unit had another exceptional meeting in November. We are having our Unit Christmas party in lieu of a meeting on December 3rd at 6:00 pm next door in the Roustabouts room, a delicious catered meal will be provided. Our units next scheduled competition will be our Mid-Winter in March 2022 up in Wichita Falls. Congratulations to our incoming officers for 2022, David Hadley - Marshal, Dan Dailey - 1st Assistant Marshal, Tom Hirte - 2nd Assistant Marshal and Andy Libby - 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's of the month in the Shotgun, Director's Staff, Provost Guard room out back. Our meetings begin with a social time at 6:00pm, dinner at 6:30 pm and meetings starting at 7:00 pm. and your Lady is ALWAYS welcome.

See you soon,

Michael Raymond

Acting Secretary



Alzafar Motor Club

What a year this has been. We managed to get back into putting the rubber to the road and doing the things we love to do. A brief recap is in order; 2 Car Shows, 3 Children's Parties, 1 Circus, 3 Parades (possibly 2 more,

but since this is written in advance these haven't occurred yet), 2 Sweetheart and Ladies Dinner Meetings, and a Christmas Party coming up. Not to mention the untold number of smiles and waves from people we got to meet and talk to who enjoyed our vehicles, our participation in "their" event and most importantly, thanking us for doing what we love to do – Being Shriners! Not too bad of a year I'd say. There were twists and turns throughout the months, especially for the parade calendar. Weather and the lingering Covid Cloud caused us to change course sometimes, but through it all we kept rolling along. Some old cars were retired and some new ones added. In the end AMC kept their engines running.

To keep this pace up took the efforts of the Club's great drivers and mechanics along with the Crew Chief, President Ken Whited. However, and more importantly, we must thank our sponsors. They really help make a difference. In no particular order a round of applause, a tip of the Fez, and a bow to the following;

Jon Strandlie, Financial Advisor with Edward Jones Katie Greenman, EXP Realty Gateway Motors Charlie Bedgood The Zuniga Family Tom Young

James Hoyo The Whited Family

The Fisk Family

Steve White

2022 is just a few laps away and the Motor Club will be celebrating 60 years of miles of accomplishments. I was just about 4 years old then and starting to play with my Tonka Trucks and metal cars. Little did I know my destiny was to join the Motor Club so I could play with my "toys" in my older childhood.

The road ahead is inviting and beckoning us to see what is over the next hill and around the next curve. So to all you drivers and passengers, too, the Alzafar Motor Club wishes you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



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

My Christmas Wish For You

My Christmas wish for you, my friend Is not a simple one For I wish you hope and joy and peace Days filled with warmth and sun

I wish you love and friendship too Throughout the coming year Lots of laughter and happiness To fill your world with cheer

May you count your blessings, one by one And when totaled by the lot May you find all you've been given To be more than what you sought

May your journeys be short, your burdens light May your spirit never grow old May all your clouds have silver linings And your rainbows pots of gold

I wish this all and so much more May all your dreams come true May you have a Merry Christmas friend And happy New Year, too .. (Author - anonymous)

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



Brews Brothers Dixie Cup Winners!

Several members of your very own Brews Brothers submitted entries in the Dixie Cup XXXVII homebrew competition and faired very well! The Dixie Cup is "...one of the nation's oldest homebrewing competitions and is noted for its great mix of irreverent fun and its seriousness about beer". Organized, run and judged by the Foam Rangers in Houston, this competition is part of ten comprising the Lone Star Circuit to "...actively promote and support the homebrew clubs, contests, and homebrewers of Texas". Stay tuned as we hope to enter more competitions in the coming months.

Congratulations to Lee Hubbard for winning bronze for his English Barleywine (his first brew, BTW), and Russ Brown for taking gold for his Rebel Alliance Cream Ale. These are beers many of you have sampled at Alzafar Stated Meetings, always a treat, and join the list of other Brews Brothers award winning brews. Just another way the Brews Brothers are getting their names and reputations known across the state, and Alzafar Shriners indirectly. It is the hope

that one day several of us will be sitting at the winners table wearing our fezs. As usual, we sincerely appreciate your continued support.

(Yes, they spelled Lee's name wrong)
November Meeting at Freetail

The November meeting will be the annual Thanksgiving blow-out at Freetail on 1604, at 7pm. Less of a meeting and more of a social event, this one is looked forward to every year. Fun, frivolity, dill pickle beer, who could ask for more! Spouses, significant others and insignificant others are encouraged to attend.

December Meeting at Director's Staff Room
A bit of a change here, the December meeting will be the 18th in conjunction with the Burning Sun in the Director's Staff room behind the main Shrine building at 7pm. Usually we would meet on the 22nd that month but wanted to a) meet with another unit, and b) give us some breathing room before the holidays as some people will be out of town. There will be a Bomber Exchange for those who bring one to trade, or win, or lose, etc. Bombers are those 22oz bottles of the velvet elixir we commonly call beer.



My fellow Joeys and Nobles. I hope everything is well with you and your loved one this fine day.

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving and v'all

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving and y'all probably ate too much turkey but doesn't that always happen on Thanksgiving.

I want to thank everyone that supported me this past year as your President of the Nemnuf Clowns. It was an experience I will always remember. I want to especially thank my officers who did an outstanding job,1st Vice President Billy "Buckethead "Peche, 2nd Vice President Michael "Change "Fellows , Secretary Past Potentate Eric "Wet-O "DeWalt, Treasurer Bobby "Icebucket "Miller also pasted President of the Nemnuf Clowns, Parliamentarian for the Texas Shrine Clown Association and my Chaplain Russell"Rusty "Rundy. I want to wish the in coming President Billy "Buckethead "Peche and his officers the best of luck this coming year. So guys Bump A Nose. I want to thank a very special person when I needed a friend he was there. He is what I think a true Mason and a Shriner should be. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR BEING THERE. I am not going to mention his name because he does not like to be in the Limelight but he knows who I am talking about THANKS AGAIN.

The Christmas Season is upon us and I want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Stay safe.

Paul "Wrong Way "Dawson

Country Christmas Denim James and James and

Featuring Blutherz.

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2021 Alzafar Shrine Annual Hospital Gala cordially invites you to...

"A Country Christmas"



Saturday, December 11th, 2021 6pm to 11pm San Antonio Shrine Center 901 N. Loop 1604 W. San Antonio, TX 78232

Text "Shrine" to 56651 to see the auction items available to date and to register to bid at the auction

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For Sale: Noble Mark Morley Cabin

221 Camp Alzafar Rd, Camp Alzafar

#8 Alzafar Cabin, big covered patio, fully furnished, new wood panel on the front side, newly painted, new airconditioner, new bathroom sink vanity, with storage shed, with wifi connection and Golf cart included.

Contact Karen Morley 210-419-4788
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Noble Joseph Holley is selling his Cabin Khiva #55 in Camp Alzafar. Call The Shrine Office (210-496-1625) for Contact Information



It is with regret that we notify you that the Rod & Gun Club will disband after November. The Club has gone from around 150 members in 2000 to under 17 today, with only 7 members that are active.

With that, in the Achbar under the Unit Meeting Schedule, the Rod & Gun Club meeting information should be removed.

Respectfully Mike Barnes Treasurer Rod & Gun Club 210-394-4321





Thank you all who attended the OG Round Table/
Officers call meeting last night. In attendance where 45 nobles, representing 35 of our units. There was great information passed from unit to unit and units to Divan for the upcoming months, and the beginning of 2022. This fraternity is/ was built on great communication and I would

like to see it continue. If you have a unit function, and would like all to be in the know, send an email to Maria in the office, or simply write an Achbar article. You if have something from your lodge, we would more than accept your communication within also. Remember you don't have to be a unit officer to write any article to Alzafar. With that said, Alzafar would like to support you in your event, being any lodge, appendant body, or unit function. We cannot support if we don't know. Have a great day, see you soon!

Noble Mike Long



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

UNIT MEETING SCHEDULE

BAND BREWS BROTHERS BURNING SUN CABIRI CAMP ALZAFAR

CHAPARRAL **DE-MOLAY** DESERT KNIGHTS **DIRECTORS STAFF** DRUM CORPS FARIS **GOLF UNIT** HIGHLANDERS BAND HILLBILLY CLAN

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1st Monday 2nd Thursday 3rd Wednesday 2nd Tuesday Each Thursday As Called 2nd Tuesday Each Thursday

2nd Sun Feb., Apr. June, Aug., Oct., Dec. 1st Monday

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6:30 P.M. Room 7 7:30 P.M. Room 5 7:00 P.M. Room 5 12:00 N As Designated 12:00 N Camp Pavilion

7:30 P.M. Room 4 6:00 P.M. As Designated 7:00 PM Directors Rm. 7:30 P.M. Directors Rm. 7:30 P.M. Room 8 Camp Alzafar 7:30 P.M. Room 7

6:30 P.M. Room 9 5:00 P.M. Roustabout

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7:00 P.M. Parlors 7:00 P.M. As Designated.

CLUB MEETINGS

2nd Monday

1st Monday

1st Wednesday

BOERNE SC CANYON LAKE FT. CLARK SPRINGS **GUADALUPE VALLEY** HILL COUNTRY LAREDO SC

LADIES OF THE SHRINE

3rd Wednesday 2nd Monday 4th Saturday 3rd Monday 1st Monday 1st Wednesday

6:30 P.M. As Designated 6:30 P.M. Lakeside GC 6:30 P.M. Ramada Inn 6:00 P.M. As Designated 11:00 A.M. Inn o/t Hills 7:00 P.M. As Designated

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIO NS MEETINGS

ANCHOR MASONIC LODGE 2nd+4th Thurs. CIBOLO MASONIC LODGE 4th Monday KELLY MASONIC LODGE VICTORY MASONIC LDG. 2nd Tuesday DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE 2nd Thursday

1st Thursday

7:00P.M. Alzafar rear 7:00 P.M. Alzafar rear 7:30 P.M. Alzafar rear 7:00 P.M. Alzafar rear 7:30 P.M. Parlors 7:00 P.M. Parlors



Former Potentates of Alzafar Shriners

1916 Frank R. Newton Sr* 1917 Ted Millburn* 1918 J. A. Patterson* 1919 Henry Rabe* 1920 Robert Burne* 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 Rov 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* 1993 Emmett C. George*

1992 Robert "Bob" Jett 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 2014 Expelled

2015 Jay Dee Thomas

2016 John Dunn 2017 Gary Radvansky

2018 Jason Triggs 2019 Eric DeWalt

2020 Marty Bartlett

Alzafar Shriners Who Are Former Potentates of Other Shrine Centers

1964 Rov Revnolds* 1970-71 Eldon O. Wesner* 1979 Ray Robinson 1981 Donald Garrido 1983 David Martin 1998 Terry Zittle

2012 Rick Oberg

(El Bekal Shriners) (Anezeh Shriners) (Suez Shriners) (Abou Saad Shriners) (Suez Shriners) (Abou Saad Shriners) (El Zagal Shriners)

* An Asterisk Denotes the Passing of Our Illustrious Sir

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As we continue to move through the year we will look to have days added or subtracted. Please send in your unit event ASAP:

2021 Master Calendar

December 11th Last Parade - Sattler @ Canyon Lake
December 11th Annual Hospital GALA
December 13th Alzafar Stated Meeting
December 19th Childrens' Christmas Party

