



# ACHBAR

NOVEMBER 2021

HAPPY VETERANS DAY  
NOVEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup>

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**2021 ELECTIVE DIVAN**

Potentate.....Link Travis Elmendorf  
 Chief Rabban.....Robert M. Norman, II  
 Asst. Rabban.....Richard A. "Rick" Reyes, III  
 High Priest & Prophet.....Marco Zuniga  
 Oriental Guide.....Mike Long  
 Treasurer.....David Olivares  
 Recorder.....Thomas D. Leverett

**2021 APPOINTED OFFICERS**

1st Ceremonial Master.....Russell Brown  
 2nd Ceremonial Master.....William Brown  
 Director.....Bert Gonzalez  
 Marshall.....John Pendelton  
 Captain of the Guard.....Edward Rodriguez  
 Outer Guard.....David Hadley  
 Temple Photographer.....Art Loera  
 Chaplain.....Hoagy Elmendorf

**IMPERIAL REPRESENTATIVES**

Potentate.....Link Travis Elmendorf  
 Chief Rabban.....Robert M. Norman, II  
 P.P. Reese L. Harrison, Jr.....Emeritus Representative  
 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 & Election of Officers**

The following Stated Meeting of Alzafar Shriners will be **December 9, 2021** 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 2021 DUES CARD 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.

*Thomas D. Leverett*  
 Recorder: Thomas D. Leverett

*L. Travis Elmendorf*

Potentate: Illustrious Sir, L.T. Elmendorf



Link "Travis" Elmendorf  
 Potentate of Alzafar Shriners

Hi Ho Alzafar,

Let us begin with honoring all the men and women who have served in our Armed Forces, thank you veterans. We are very appreciative of your devotion and commitment to this country we call home. Your willingness to serve and the sacrifices made during your term of service- We honor you and salute you!

We also celebrate the time of harvest and the hard work that encompasses this effort. It is a time of gathering and festivity. Happy Thanksgiving to you all. Bring on the stretchy pants.

The close of this year is no longer creeping upon us, it is nigh. We still have items on Alzafar's punch list: Our Shrine Memorial, commemorating all Nobles who now reside at the side of the Great Architect, their memories for ever with us to keep and hold. Alzafar's Hospital Gala is soon to make its appearance, an evening full of merriment, supporting our great mission. Our Christmas party for Alzafar's young ones and in between all of these we have your unit/association's holiday festivities. Your Divan continues to run on all cylinders, the momentum continues; let us bring in the passing of Shrine year 2021 in fine fashion, health, and merriment.

# Happy Thanksgiving

*To Every Member & My  
Extended Family of Alzafar Shriners:*

*Lady Brenda and I wanted to stop this fast-timer we are on to thank you so much for  
all the joy you have given us this year.*

*When Abraham Lincoln established Thanksgiving Day as the fourth Thursday of  
November, he had reason to give thanks, finally finding military success at Gettysburg. It  
would be another 18 months until victory and with Lincoln's death that ultimately brought  
our country through the insurrection that seemed to have had no solution.*

*To a lesser degree, I am reminded of our struggle with Covid-19. We are sure to sur-  
vive this unrelenting pandemic. I give thanks for the light I finally see coming out of this  
darkness. For each member, visible or invisible, we give thanks. You are the sinew that  
provides us with strength. As offered in my devotion, I will never forget that at our core  
beats this our comity, the tenets of Freemasonry.*

*Happy Thanksgiving,*

*Illustrious Sir, A. Travis, and Lady Brenda Elmendorf  
Alzafar Shriners*





Robert M. Norman, II  
Chief Rabban of Alzafar Shriners

Hello Alzafar!!! We hope all is well with you and your family. As we enter the holiday season let us enjoy this time with friends and family. Continue to make memories that will last a lifetime. Take some time to reflect on our lost love ones. Remember our service men and woman that may be away from their families during this time of year as they are providing the freedoms that we all enjoy. This month we will also celebrate Veterans day. This is an opportunity to honor all that served or serving our great nation. Whether its past or present we honor you all greatly and we appreciate and thank you all for your service.

Can you believe the year is almost over? We are now in November and only have one month left for this year. Last month was a busy month for Alzafar as we had an opportunity for some fun and fellowship. As the year is coming to an end, we can only hope that everyone has had an outstanding year. We have enjoyed another year serving you all on the Divan. We have continued to make memories and new friends that we will keep forever. We only hope that we have made you all proud and that we continue making the best decisions we can for Alzafar moving forward.

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. In the meantime, continue to stay positive and test negative.



Richard A "Rick" Reyes, III  
Assistant Rabban of Alzafar Shriners

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Marco Zuniga

High Priest & Prophet of Alzarfar Shriners

Greeting my fellow Nobles! It's been so great to finally see everyone coming around again.



Mike Long

Oriental Guide of Alzarfar Shriners

Thank you to all who volunteered for setup and break-down for the Children's Halloween Party! It was a great event, and I hope all who attended had a wonderful time. Looking forward I will need some help with the Christmas Party too. We will need your donations for all age groups to 16 years old, both boys and girls. If you would leave them with the ladies in the office and let them know what the gift is for. Please bring them unwrapped so we know which group/gender to place them in. If you have any check please get them into Tommy. Please reach out to me and let me know if your able to volunteer, my contact info is below.

I'm fresh out of O.G. School also, wow what I learned there! The obvious is our membership across all Temples. It is declining a a rapid rate, we all know that. When your out and about, wear Masonic or Shriner shirt, hat, or anything else that may spark up a conversation. Remember I'm giving away a big screen TV for the noble who top line signs the most new nobles this year.

Our philanthropy, which I'm sure if you haven't heard already that the Laredo clinic is now closed. With that there will be a new clinic opening in Monterrey very soon. This doesn't mean Alzarfar won't be transporting kids anymore. We will still be transporting emergencies, and other routine visits to our Texas Hospital for check ups. It is very important we still raise money for the transportation fund.

Lastly, I may not make it to every unit, or club in the coming weeks. I want to ask you for your vote to continue my journey to High Priest & Prophet. So please attend next months December stated meeting. (Per Imperial I may write the above, not electioneering).

Have a Happy Thanksgiving  
Michael Long (210-387-0025)



What have you missed, and what's coming up? First off, congrats and welcome again to our new nobles. We had 18 participate in ceremonial this year. Thank you to the directors staff for putting it together and all the units who came out to support. Great way to step up Alzarfar! You showed our new nobles, thier wives and families the unity we have.



If you missed it, we had an 8ft pizza, dinner, dance and fezzing. It was a great day for fun and fellowship, and a great time was had by all.



David Olivares  
Treasurer of Alzafar Shriners

Another month has passed us by, as we now welcome November. This is the month to get the family around the table to enjoy a nice homecooked Turkey Dinner with all the trimmings, watch football afterwards and go to bed early to enjoy those Black Friday deals. Please enjoy the start of the Holiday Season with your family and friends.

We continue to have some great months with building rentals which is great for the treasury. Great job to Joy for continuing to bring in those rental dollars. We do have to remember that along with those rentals comes the maintenance and repair. As most of you know we have had some serious AC issues which we pray are all repaired now. These issues amount to quite a bit of unbudgeted dollars. In September we voted to increase the Repairs and Maintenance budget but depending on how we do the rest of the year we may need to dip into our Sub Bond account again to help cover our everyday expenses.

I would like to also recognize and thank Maria for the great job she does with hospital transportation. She has been very instrumental in making sure our children are transported when needed as well as getting other Temples and foundations to help pay for the very expensive air transportation from Mexico to Galveston.

Also, kudos to Lisa who did a great job with the Circus and continues to take on many of the day-to-day operational items that we have at the Temple.

Please thank these ladies the next time you are in the office. We are lucky to have a great staff that keeps our temple running.

Financially we are still hanging in there as market has been up and it has been down, but over the long haul we continue to do well with both our Restricted and Unrestricted funds. We also keep enjoying those "pennies from Heaven" from the monthly royalties. We continue to keep bringing in the much-needed money for the Hospital Transportation fund. Many thanks to our Assistant Rabban Rick Reyes III for a great job organizing and running the golf tournament. Also, a huge thanks to the Order of Quetzalcoatl for their generous donation to the HTF. This is the third time this year that the "Q" has stepped up to contribute to the HTF.

Please remember that our Divan and Finance meetings are open to the Nobility. I urge you to come and see what YOUR Divan is doing and where we stand with YOUR money. This is YOUR Temple and YOUR future.

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



T-Bone Tommy Leverett  
Recorder to the Stars

I know it is getting close to Christmas because the Store all have their Christmas decorations out. Wait a minute they start putting that stuff out in September.

Being Recorder has kept me more than a little busy this past month. Alex Collado has left Alzafar after 13 years as our bookkeeper. With the exception of Alex and Maria I have hired all our employees. We have 10 full time employees and three that I call "As needed Employee". The as needed employees help us with the Big Rentals and this helps us keep down overtime for our maintenance staff. Noble Andy Libby, a retiree CFO,

worked with Alex her last 4-5 days getting to know how she handled the books and additional responsibilities. The goal was to have Andy in a position to help our new bookkeeper. If you know of a bookkeeper looking for a new job please let me know at 210-496-1625 or alzarrecorder@gmail.com. I have started the process and David Olivares, Andy Libby and I will sort through the resumes and pick the top two which will be invited to visit with the Board of Directors.

We also had another major leak in the main water line and we lost water in the building and we had no AC. Fortunately, we got both fixed this week just in time for an extremely busy rental weekend. The Owner of the plumbing company said it would be extremely expensive to replace the main water line. I am guessing that that bid will come between \$400,000-\$500,000 and the building would be closed for over a month. More bad news, it looks like the roofing claim will not be covered and that is going to cost us about 1,300,000.

On a positive the lady that rents the building has us on schedule to make over \$600,000 in rental income this year and she already has booked over \$500,000 for 2022. Please say "Thank you" to Joy Bonebrake for a fabulous job helping us keep the doors open to this old building.

Camp owners, your Camp lease is currently \$600, will again be due no later than March 1, 2022 and the Assessment will be due no later than June 1, 2022. I will keep you informed if the numbers stay the same or go up for 2022.

Make plans to come out for the election of officers during our December meeting, the meeting is scheduled for December 9, 2021. Also tell our Potentate, Link Travis Elmendorf "thank you" for putting in the time to make 2021 a Great Year.

Come out and see why we say "ALZAFAR ROCKS".



The year seems to be going by faster than a brake job on a unicycle.

So here is a piece of trivia for you.

What was a common heating system used on cars built 100 years ago?

A. A valve (typically under the hood) was opened to route hot engine oil through a finned oil cooler located

under the dash. Most oil coolers used very thin tubing, but some engines required extra oil to be added to the crankcase.

B. A steel "heater box" containing burning charcoal or a preheated brick was placed on the vehicle's floor.

C. Electrical current was routed through a large heating element (resistor) located under the dash. Some generators could not generate enough current to power both the headlights and electric heater at the same time.

D. All the above

The answer is found in this article – so you need to keep reading.

We enjoyed our semi-annual Sweethearts and Ladies Night dinner meeting with a nearly packed dining room at Mamacita's. That was followed with the AMC Fall Car Show. Again, it was a well attended event.

The Dessert Nights helped us by guiding participants to the parking area. Huge Kudos to AMC member George Garza for helping in getting them to participate! The Mini Wheels served burgers and other goodies to those who were in need of nourishment after burning hundreds of calories walking among all the cars. THANKS GUYS and your Ladies, too! It is really good when units and clubs join in together, so much more is accomplished and shared.

Mo's Kitchen was on hand to smoke giant turkey legs and other fixin's. Watching the folks walk around eating those turkey legs caused me to flashback to The Flintstones era! Yabba Dabba DOO!

There are still several up-coming events before this year is over. The Alzar Shriners Masonic Picnic and the Children's Halloween Party are quickly approaching. Following in November are two more parades on the schedule. So don't put away those polishing rags yet. Headed into December we will have our annual Christmas Dinner Meeting with Sweethearts and Ladies present as well as Car Show Sponsors and other guests. We will be back at Chama Gaucha Brazilian Steakhouse for another evening of outstanding dining as well as the fellowship that makes it so worth while.

A steel heater box containing charcoal or a preheated brick was placed inside to warm the occupants before more advanced systems to maintain creature comforts. So this winter when it gets chilly for you, you now have a back up method to keep comfy.

We always welcome visitors and everyone else the 3rd Tuesday each month in Room 9 at 7:00 pm.

Until next time, ignition off, transmission in park, Steven Fisk, Secretary AMC

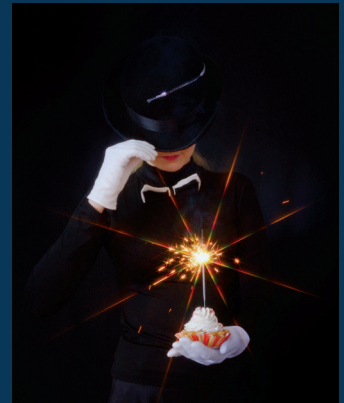
# Happy Birthday Nobles OF NOVEMBER

BRANDON L ELLIOTT  
 JOHN E STOLZ  
 CHARLES W LENZ  
 FRANK E RIOS III  
 ALTON R BOOTY  
 CLARENCE M SMITH  
 DERWIN L BOHNE  
 RONALD R SPAHR  
 KENNETH D HAWKINS  
 VAN L CRAPPS  
 JONATHAN B CLUCK  
 MICHAEL L AKARD  
 JERRY A KINSE  
 KENNETH E WHITED  
 THOMAS C MORRIS  
 CHRISTOF W DINKLAGE JR  
 LES M RATCLIFF  
 JOSEPH R. ACKERMAN  
 HENRY C KOHL  
 MARK W AYERS  
 DANIEL W FUQUAY  
 GERARDO I VALDEZ  
 GREGORIO I FLORES  
 ROJELIO H GARCIA  
 DONALD R PIEROTTI  
 TAYLOR A DELZ  
 HENSLEY TAPPLY HURT  
 R.B. THOMPSON JR.  
 WILLIAM R GULICK  
 SAMUEL H MOWERY  
 LONNIE G JOHNSON  
 ALEXANDER E BLUE

JAMES A DOWLEARN IV  
 LUIS CARDENAS  
 WALTER A WILSON  
 SERGIO J GOMEZ M.  
 CLIFFORD B CAVENDER  
 ARTHUR D REINE  
 DANIEL E ROANE  
 EDWARD MITCHELL  
 DANIEL N. HERNANDEZ  
 STEPHEN W HOOPER  
 HERMAN H HAAS  
 ANTONIO MONTES JR.  
 DAVID K BRUTON  
 KENNETH R. SCHMIES  
 JOHN E DAVIS  
 DANIEL H SAUCEDO  
 JAMES L. HARRELL  
 R. F. FINCH JR  
 DAVID L MELLON  
 JAMES E VAUGHN  
 CARL D BARRELLA  
 ERNEST R CLAUSS  
 NORMAN F PARSONS  
 JOHN D SMITH  
 DANIEL J BALADEZ  
 MILTON E STEVENS  
 CHARLES I LEMON  
 NEIL V CRAIGMILE  
 WILLIAM H THORNBURG  
 RALPH A MC LEOD  
 C. N ELLIOT  
 JOSEPH P HOLLEY

JAMES DAVID ROSE JR.  
 KENNETH WILSON  
 WILLIAM R PECHE  
 ALFREDO P JIMENEZ  
 L. R COULSON  
 JACKIE DOYLE ELLIFF  
 JOHN B KING  
 DARYL L ZUMWALT  
 ALLEN F LANIER III  
 PAUL H GOWEN  
 JOHN W TAPIA JR  
 ROBERT F BORIES JR  
 PETER W LAZIDIS  
 JAMES R SMITH  
 LLOYD M EASTERLING P.P.  
 OSCAR B HERNANDEZ  
 LUKE W PARCHMAN JR.  
 JOHN G GAULT  
 FREDERICK J DAVIS  
 BRIAN E BETTS  
 JAMES STILLMAN  
 DON KAISER  
 SETH SCHULER  
 FRED A SARTOR JR.  
 ALFRED E MACHTS JR  
 C. BOYD SCOTT  
 WAYNE W WRIGHT  
 JAMES T DUKE  
 STEVEN A MENDOZA  
 MICHAEL J SHAW  
 JAY D THOMAS P.P.  
 CHARLES U LEMMONS

JESSE MEDINA  
 JAMES R. MC CONNELL  
 ROBERT E JONES  
 JAMES H BROOKS  
 JOSE JAIME GARCIA  
 EDDIE L HERMAN  
 CARL G PRAESEL  
 ADAM APOLINAR  
 DUANE D CROCKETT  
 STEPHEN C CHAPMAN  
 HERBERT S JACOBSON  
 JOHN W MARSHALL  
 RANDY T SALAK  
 JAMES W GRIFFITH  
 DANIEL J KINDRED  
 ANDREW H BANDA  
 CHARLES C FOTHERGILL  
 XAVIER M LUJAN



## 2022 Officers Elected

The Alzafar Honor Guard held their annual elections on 4 Oct the following are the results of that election.  
 President- Jerry Hockman  
 Vice President John Mauro  
 Treasurer/Sectary- Walter (Ringo) Kaster  
 Drill Commander- Mike Jaeger

We would like to thank the leadership line up for the last two years for all the great things they have done and wish the best to the new officers to be installed on 8 Jan 2022.



The Provost Guard shooting teams returned with trophies from our Fall Invitational competition held this past September 25th in Dallas, hosted by Hella Shrine. Alzafar won trophies for high 2 handed shooter (Ken Propes), 3rd place "D" team (Tony Ivone, John Pendleton and Tony Montes) and 1st place "C" team (Michael Raymond, Dan Dailey, Steve Aikens and Tom Martin). Alzafar Provost Guard also did very well in "Door Prizes" at the Awards Dinner. Congratulations to all. The Provost Guard will have it's Christmas Party in the Unit Room on Friday December 3rd during which time we will be installing our new officers, David Hadley-Marshal, Dan Dailey-1st Assistant Marshal, Patrick Scoles-2nd Assistant Marshal and Andy Libby- Secretary/Treasurer, Congratulations on your election and we



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The Provost Guard will have it's Christmas Party in the Unit Room on Friday December 3rd during which time we will be installing our new officers. We welcome any and all Nobles and their Ladies to come join us, we meet the 1st Wednesday of the month with social time at 6:00 pm, dinner at 6:30 pm and meeting at 7:00 pm.

Hope to see you there,

Michael Raymond  
Acting Secretary/Treasurer/2nd Assistant Marshal



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

The month of October we had many ladies attend Mid States Unit Meet. They performed, laughed, and had a lot of fun. They also put in a bid for Mid Status Unit Meet for 2022. The dates will be Oct 20-22, 2022. Please make plans now to join us here in San Antonio next year.

Our Mystery Theater fundraiser will be Nov 6th, in the Parlor. The theme is "Death in them Thar Hills". I am sure everyone will have a great time. You can purchase ticket online for \$20.00 each or pay \$25.00 at the door. Please come and join us for this fun fundraiser. Here is the link to the tickets online: <https://altrui-court-89-losna.square.site/product/altrui-mystery-dinner-tickets/55?cs=true&cst=custom>.

Upcoming events:

Ugly Sweater Party, Dec 17th , , Christmas decorations (gently used and new) will be available for a silent auction.

Putin' on the Glitz, Feb 19th, in the Terrace Room  
More information will be available in later months, but please mark your calendar with all these wonderful opportunities to join us for fun and fellowship and well as raise money so that we may help others.

Unit meetings:

Meeting most Mondays at 10 am is the Helping Hands

Club.

On the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm is when the Patrol Unit meets.

On the second Wednesday of the month at 7 pm is when the Lady Lotus Dancers meets.

On the third Thursday of the month at 6:30 when the Greeter Unit meets.

We had a few ladies join us last year and so far, this year there are three that would like to join us. 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](mailto: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](mailto: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.



### The Best Feed for the Brain

To the Achbar,

Growing up in the 1940s in a small town between Houston and Galveston, I became aware of the Freemasons because that's what men were before their homes had telephones and televisions and they moved to the suburbs. They walked not more than a few blocks to a Lodge that was above the feed store. Later, when I was 12 years-old, my Boy Scout Troop also met above the feed store.

Today, their Blue Lodges are still in the neighborhoods where no one lives anymore. The neighborhood Lodges are old and costly to keep, and the Masons that still attend Lodge must now drive great distances to those Lodges meetings. There's a reason why the corner grocery store, and the stores that were once within walking distance, have disappeared from those neighborhoods. They have been replaced with "strings of major Box stores" in acres of parking lots surrounding

Malls and business complexes alongside major thoroughfares such as the RIM, Sonterra, the Vineyard and the Forum.

It's time for the Blue Lodges to abandon their old neighborhoods, and become a "Major Mall" facility or business complex beside a major thoroughfare. It's time for Alzafar Shrine to become the "anchor store of a Freemasonry complex" surrounded by Blue Lodges, that locate together in the same manner of the large shopping Malls supplying the merchandising needs of people in a totally convenient city location. Since the 1950s, changes in work (from home), family structure, age, suburban life, women's roles and a bounty of home entertainments have hastened the decline of social groups. Simply put, combining Freemasonry in a well known complex where all the attractions of Freemasonry are provided and obtained, is much more economical than in our inner city neighborhoods where no one lives anymore. I also believe a united Freemasonry in a large complex can't help but restore what was once the well known social capitalizing membership of the Fraternal Order of Free and Accepted Masons, and might help attract more attention and membership than that of the Blue Lodges barely functioning's in the oldest neighborhoods of San Antonio.

Alternatively, there are still "neighborhoods" in San Antonio where fraternities continue to thrive and the membership of those fraternities are young men desirous to belong. They are the college and university campuses. Another method for increasing AF&AM memberships; it seems to me that Blue Lodges would do well to meet "above the feed store" of those campuses.

Noble Robert C. Wilmore, Sr.  
Army Lodge 1105



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

The 2021 Texas Days in Waco was a success! Queen Margie was accompanied by 30 Nekodah Members and the unit performances were entertaining.

Please welcome our new Princesses: Verda Byrd and Margaret Hosseini-Browder.

November 16, 2021 - Thanksgiving Luncheon  
11:30am-1:30pm in the Alzafar Shrine Dining Room for questions contact Princess Tirzah Wanda Rincover 208-

585-7185.

December 7, 2021, Supreme Queen Donna Kramer's Visit: Ceremonial at Two o'clock in the afternoon in the Alzafar Lodge Room behind the Main Building. The Banquet to be held at Sonterra Country Club, 901 East Sonterra Blvd, San Antonio, Tx 78258. Social at 5:00 and Dinner at 6:00. \$25 each Person. For tickets or questions contact Princess Royal Regina Beseth at 210-527-7194. RSVP deadline is November 26, 2021.

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



Dunk A Brewer!

The Brews Brothers manned the dunk tank at the 1st anniversary party for Second Pitch brewery, where head brewers from eleven San Antonio breweries had their turn in the jump seat. As time permitted, members of the Brews Brothers took their turns as well. All profits from the dunk tank were generously donated (again) by Second Pitch to the Alzafar Transportation Fund. We are still adding up the numbers but it looks like the donated amount is just over \$1000!



A big shout out to Second Pitch, and all the participating breweries: Marcus at Weathered Souls, Mike at

Dos Sirenos, Josh at Islla Streat, Holland at Wild Barley, Tim at Black Lab, Jim & Lou at Second Pitch, Randy at Highwheel, Jason at Freetail, Vera at Kuentler, Dustin at Roadmap, Ricardo at Back Unturned, and all the Brews Brothers in and out of the tank.



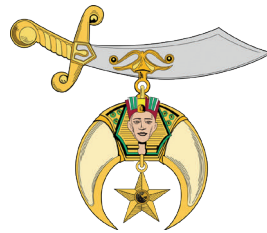
## Cerveceros Fund Fest

The Brews Brothers participated in the 1st annual Fund Fest, to support the San Antonio Cerveceros beer education organization. A huge success, gathering like-minded (and not so like-minded) people from all over Bexar county and beyond to enjoy the hospitality of the Alzafar Pavilion and spend the afternoon in peace and harmony. We were fortunate enough to enjoy the company of several members of the Divan, and even our Imperial Divan member and past Potentate. The Brews Brothers and the Cerveceros each thank Alzafar Shrine for their past and continued support! We couldn't do it without you. There are rumors next year's Fund Fest will be in conjunction with one of the car shows, attracting people to both events. Bigger and better! But that's just a rumor. Stay tuned.

Brews Brothers take over the Crocketters Tailgate Party September 4th the Brews Brothers took over the pre-game tailgate party for the San Antonio FC, serving Blond, Amber, Brown and Pale ales (and a few more) brewed exclusively for this grand occasion. Organized as a membership awareness event and opportunity to get the Alzafar presence out into the community, especially with circus on the horizon, a great time was had by all.

## September BB Stated Meeting at Dos Sirenos

One of the advantages of getting to know the local brewery owners and managers is they tend to invite you in for a tour of their operations. September's meeting was no exception, with Mike Sereno offering to show us how they do what they do and get a peak behind the scenes. Sure, it's about the beer. But it's also about the process, the science, the ingredients, and the terrific people you get to know during the journey. If you are into brewing simply for cheap beer, you might want to think about getting another hobby! Oh, and what is Mike thinking putting down an actual tiled floor in his brewery. Everybody knows they should be concrete!



### OFFICIAL CALL OF THE POTENTATE

Annual Election of Officers

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Election of Officers will be held at a Stated Session of Alzafar Shriners, at the time and place show below.

Attest: Thomas Leverett  
Recorder of Alzafar Shriners

Approved: L. Travis Elmendorf  
Potentate of Alzafar Shriners

Thursday, December 9, 2021  
Beginning at 7:30 pm

Alzafar Shrine Center  
901 N. Loop 1604 W.  
San Antonio, TX 78232

MEETING WILL BE TILED

MUST HAVE A CURRENT DUES CARD

# Country Christmas

Denim

Gala Diamonds

## Featuring BRutherz.

BRutherz will perform everything including their original chart-topping singles from their Black & White album to Traditional Country and Southern Rock. BRutherz do more than sing, as their vocals have a way of bringing people into the songs they perform. They have great stage presence and interact with every crowd, BRutherz fans love their shows, and they are truly an entertaining act you will enjoy!

## Variety is the Spice of Life!

**Spice of Life** is a FULL SERVICE catering company specializing in the creation of custom planned turnkey events throughout South Texas.

It's a gourmet gala for hundreds that Chef Mike Bomberg and his team is sure delivery an extraordinary experience from start to finish. Personalized service, imaginative menus, and savory cuisine inspired by the chef's worldwide travels give Spice of Life a truly distinctive flair.

Scotty Gibbs placed 1<sup>st</sup> at the 64<sup>th</sup> Annual Texas Auctioneer's Association (TAA) Convention & Championship held in Round Rock, Texas, on May 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, and he is the 2021 Texas State Champion Auctioneer! Buy one of our Spectacular Auction Items from Scotty or silently!

The net proceeds from this event benefit **Shriners Hospitals for Children**. Shriners Hospitals for Children is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization and relies on the generosity of donors. All donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent permitted by law.



Shriners Hospitals  
for Children

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

# "A Country Christmas"

Saturday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021

6pm to 11pm

San Antonio Shrine Center

901 N. Loop 1604 W.

San Antonio, TX 78232



Yes, I will support the Shriner's Children's, Texas

## Sponsor Levels

**The Claus for the Cause Sponsor: \$10,000**

Two VIP Tables for ten; sponsor recognition on all printed and media materials, event program, emails, digital sign (prime location on busy Northside highway) and during event.

**Santa's Big Helper: \$5,000**

VIP Table for ten guests, sponsor recognition on all printed and medial materials, event program, emails, digital sign (prime location on busy Northside highway) and during event.

**The Elf VIP Sponsor: \$2,500**

Table for ten guests, sponsor recognition on all printed and media materials, event program, emails and during event.

**Rudolph's Red Nose Sponsor: \$1,000**

Ten dinner tickets (1 table), sponsor recognition in program and during event.

**Candy Cane Lane Sponsor: \$500**

Ten dinner tickets (1 table)

**Individual tickets: \$60 each Quantity \_\_\_\_\_**

**Santa's Secret Helper/ I cannot attend but enclosed is my donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Name/Sponsoring Unit or Business (as it should appear in the program) \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell/Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to Alzafar Shrine and mail to:

San Antonio Shrine Center

901 N. Loop 1604 W

San Antonio, TX 78232

All net proceeds will be donated to the Shriners Children's, a 501(c)(3) charitable organization. All sponsorships are deductible to the fullest extent that the law allows. The Shriners Children's is 501(c) (3) non-profit corporation.



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

### UNIT MEETING SCHEDULE

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

### CLUB MEETINGS

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

### AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS MEETINGS

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

## 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)

**\* 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**

October 14th Alzafar Stated Meeting  
October 15th T-Bone Tommy 65th Birthday Party  
October 23rd Medina Co Parade in Hondo  
October 24th Alzafar Halloween Party for the kids  
  
November 11th Alzafar Stated Meeting  
November 13th Veteran's Day Parade  
  
December 18th Alzafar Stated Meeting  
December 11th Last Parade - Sattler @ Canyon Lake  
December 11th Annual Hospital GALA

