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 Oriental Guide.....David Olivares  
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**Notice of Stated Meeting of Alzafar Shriners**

The following Stated Meeting of Alzafar Shriners will be **Dark in June 2023** at the San Antonio Shrine Auditorium, 901 N. Loop 1604 W. San Antonio, Texas 78232.

Dinner is at 6:00 p.m. on a first come first served basis. The purpose all stated meetings is to receive and ballot on petitions to receive committee reports, to discuss and take possible action on matters as might come before it.

**YOUR 2023 DUES CARD OR YOUR DIGITAL IMAGE VIA <https://www.shrinersinternational.org/> WILL BE REQUIRED FOR ADMITTANCE into any STATED MEETINGS.** BE SURE TO BRING THESE THREE THINGS:

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

*Mike Barnes*  
 Recorder: Michael Barnes

*Rick Reyes*  
 Potentate: Illustrious Sir, Richard A. "Rick" Reyes, III

**WE ARE  
 MEN OF  
 NOBLE  
 BIRTH**



**COURAGE:**

I WILL FACE MY FEAR AND DEFEND MY FAMILY AND BROTHERS FROM ALL DANGERS. I WILL SUPPORT THOSE WHO ARE VULNERABLE OR MARGINALIZED.

**DISCIPLINE:**

I WILL ALWAYS DO WHAT IS RIGHT AND PROPER WITHOUT SEEKING PERSONAL GAIN, ACTING UPON ENVY, PREJUDICE, OR COERCION.

**TRUTH:**

I SEEK TRUTH, EVEN WHEN IT CHALLENGES PRE-CONCEIVED NOTIONS AND GOES AGAINST THE STATUS QUO. I WILL ALWAYS SEEK TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE TRUTHFULNESS OF OTHERS' EXPERIENCES.

**HOSPITALITY:**

I WILL WELCOME AND HONOR MY FRIENDS AND BROTHERS, AND I WILL PROVIDE SUPPORT AND COMFORT TO THOSE WHO TRAVEL OR WHO ARE IN NEED.

**FIDELITY:**

I AM STEDFAST LOYAL TO MY FAMILY, BROTHERS, FRIENDS, AND COMMUNITY, AND I STRIVE TO UPHOLD THEIR DIGNITY AND RIGHTS.

**PERSEVERANCE:**

I WILL CONTINUE TO STRIVE UNTIL MY GOALS ARE ACHIEVED, THE TASKS ARE COMPLETED, AND I WILL NOT BE DISCOURAGED BY CHALLENGES.

**INDUSTRIOUSNESS:**

I TAKE PRIDE IN ALL MEANINGFUL WORK AND WILLINGLY ASSIST OTHERS WITHOUT RESERVATION.

**HONOR:**

I WILL KEEP MY PROMISES AND UPHOLD THE LEGACY OF MY ANCESTORS AND BROTHERS WHO HAVE WALKED THIS WAY BEFORE ME. I WILL MAINTAIN MY REPUTATION AND KEEP OUR INVOLABLE TRADITIONS ALIVE.

**SELF-RELIANCE:**

I WILL LEARN ALL VALUABLE SKILLS AVAILABLE TO ME AND DEVELOP MYSELF SO I CAN CONTRIBUTE TO MY FAMILY, BROTHERS, AND COMMUNITY.

# Alzafar,

I want to thank everyone for supporting Amanda and me this year. So far, it's been a fantastic experience fueled by your collective efforts. From the Alamo remembrance walk to our very successful Shrine Easter Party, we spent every weekend and nearly every weekday having fun and spreading cheer throughout our community.



Illustrrious Sir Richard A. "Rick" Reyes, II  
Potentate of Alzafar Shriners

Our fraternity and philanthropy garner much needed support from our local media stations. I am quite thankful for our Public Relations effort. Alzafar was featured on Telemundo, KSAT 12 news, KENS 5 news, KABB 29, Fox News, and Express-News covering the last month.

As we continue toward future success, there are a few dates to remember. On April 29th, Alzafar will be in the Flambeau parade. We are finishing up the final information for the nobility and will have that available within the coming weeks. As usual, we will be in the Vanguard to kick off the parade. I like the Vanguard as it allows us to enjoy the full aspect of the parade and finish in a timely fashion. Our next all-hands event will be the "Cornival" Festival parade in Helotes. Information can be found on Alzafar.org under "Parades." Our parade Marshall will soon send out information as we get closer to the parade date.

Lastly, I want to send a massive shout-out to our unit and club leaders. We had our first of four Officer Calls a couple of weeks ago, and it was well attended. All but two unit/club officers were in attendance at the meeting. We discussed upcoming events and expectations from all and heard everything about unit events on the horizon. As an organization, we communicate like a team and are grateful for that. Thank you to each of the nobles who made it a priority to show up and represent your unit at the meeting.  
**Fraternally yours, Rick Reyes**



# Good day Nobles & Ladies!!!

It's definitely been a busy month for us all. I'd first like to congratulate the incoming officers for Nekodah Daughters of the Nile and Altrui L.O.S. Queen Wanda Rincover and High Priestess Lisa Pharis there is no doubt it will be a great year for both organizations.



Noble Marco Zuniga  
Chief Rabban of Alzafar Shriners

A big congratulation to our OG David Olivares and his Lady Luly on putting together their 1st event. There was a great turnout to the Children's Easter party, lots of happy faces and fun time had by all. Another great Easter event was held at Camp Alzafar. Great job Camp Alzafar.

This month we celebrate the Mother's of our family. This holiday first began in the United States in the early 20th century at the initiative of Anna Jarvis. She organized the first Mother's Day service of worship and was celebrated at Andrews Methodist Episcopal Church in Grafton, WV which serves as the International Mother's Day Shrine today. Her campaign to make Mother's Day a recognized holiday in the US began in 1905, the year her mother Ann Jarvis died. In 1914 Woodrow Wilson signed a proclamation designating Mother's Day, held on the second Sunday in May, as a national holiday to honor mothers.

"To the world you are a mother, but to your family you are the world." – unknown

**Happy Mother's Day!**

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

**Til next time, Marco Zuniga**



# FUN DRAISING





#### **4 Family Fezzes**

- Walter "Spud" Gullette  
Joined in the Roaring 20s**
- James "Jim" Gullette  
Joined in the 50s**
- Richard "Rick" Reyes, II  
Joined in the 1980s**
- Illustrious Sir Rick Reyes III  
Joined in the 2000s**

# Great Nobility Gala



# Friends Fun Food and So Much More



Things are shaping up nicely this year for raising money for our hospitals. Several units/clubs have already raised over 5K each for our philanthropic side for our order. Fishing for kids sold out in 36 hours once it was opened up. It went down to the wire for several years to get the boat filled. And, our Brew Bros, keep up the great work by raising \$10,000 by jumping in frigid water. This event keeps getting larger every year. It's a wonder to see these guys, and now even gals, raise some money by imitating a Polar Bear! If you have the chance, get out to camp next year.



**Noble Michael Long**  
Assistant Rabban of Alzafar Shriners

The first of many planning meetings for our annual Hospital Gala was held on March 28th. We had many great ideas and will put them into a pliable action plan. The next meeting will be on May 30th at 6pm in the Shrine Center. If you have an idea to put forward or would like to help on one of the action committees, please come over to the Shrine Center and attend the meeting. We will also have both Silent and Live auctions, so sellable items are also in need. There have been several that have come in already. Thank you to Steficks and Noble David Hadley, as they have both donated valuable items.

In Membership, this needs to be said that while I'm not the chair this year, as Shriners, we need to go back to our Masonic Lodges and every appendant body and drive up excitement about your Alzafar. We all are our own membership committee members for Alzafar. It's all of our duty to seek new members. Nobles Steve White and Rus Brown cannot do this alone. Wear a mascot Masonic, Shrine, or Hospital shirt or pin when you're out in public. You never know; you may converse with a worthy man!

**Fraternally Yours,**  
**Michael Long**



The month of April was hectic around Alzafar. Have you all heard the word diversification? Diversification in our efforts is exactly what we did with all shrine unit meetings to keep all the fun and fellowship alive. Then in just one weekend, we tossed in a carnival, the Parker Trade show occupied our whole facility, and a BBQ cook-off was held in the pavilion forwarded by the Air Conditioning Contractors Association.



**Noble Steve White**  
High Priest & Prophet of Alzafar Shriners

Then our kiddos had a great Easter party sponsored by David, your Oriental Guide, and Lady Lully. Wow! And by the time you read this, we will have had our Spring Concert headed up by Marco, your Chief Rabban, and Lady Lori Zuniga. Undoubtedly, this will have been a great success with bands playing all day long with Vendors alongside showing their goods and offerings of great food. This proves we are up for diversification and working with the available assets.

Your Divan is working hard as a team to help promote your Shrine to the public and potential Masons and new Shriners. Your membership representatives will be at the Scottish Rite reunion on May 20th to provide new and existing Scottish Rite members the value of the Shrine. Everyone is part of the Membership Committee. A big shout-out goes out to Russel Brown for his efforts to promote the Shrine experience.



Just around the corner on August 19th when we will have our annual Ceremonial for all new Shriners. This is always a fantastic time to showcase our units and welcome our new Shriners and their ladies to the fraternity. Never too early to promote the golf tournament on November 1st. We need everyone to help and bring in golfers and sponsors. This year's goal is to net \$100,000.00 with the net proceeds given to our Hospital Transportation Fund. This fund transports Children from all over the world to your Texas Hospital.



Speaking of your Texas Shrine Hospital, you probably did not know we have two past Potentates and our present Potentate who have had their children helped by our world-renowned doctors and staff. PP Eric DeWalt's daughter suffered from a burn and was treated and recovered with great success. PP John Dunn had his granddaughter with a sports injury and went through surgery with flying colors. She is now in physical therapy and looking forward to returning to the basketball court. Illustrious Sir Rick Reyes' daughter suffered a severe elbow injury from a bicycle fall. Within three days, she was in surgery and is now on track for a full recovery. I am sure you can talk to any of them about the incredible treatment they received at Shriners Hospitals for Children, Texas. You can read a unique story about it in this issue of the Achbar. Nothing is better than excellent pediatric care that makes a difference in a child's life.

Looking forward to many more years of fellowship and philanthropy.

**Steve White**  
**High Priest and Prophet**

We had a few April showers, so I am really looking forward to the May flowers as we enter the 5th month of 2023. We have another busy month scheduled for May, and here are some days we should all observe and look forward to this month.



**Noble David Olivares**  
**Oriental Guide of Alzafar Shriners**

We start with May 6th, when we will take to the streets for the Helotes Parade, May 8th is the Finance and Divan meeting, followed by our Temple-stated meeting on the 11th. Then on May 14th, we honor our Mothers for Mother's Day. Finally, we end the month with the Bandera parade on May 27th and our Annual Camp Alzafar Opening. Then we celebrate Memorial Day on the 29th.

I want to thank every individual and unit for their support in last month's Easter party we held for our children. These parties are very labor and planning intensive but the way our Temple comes together you all make it go very smoothly. Please know that Luly and I are very appreciative of all the support that you gave us.

I have noticed over the years that we have a unique Shrine Center here at Alzafar. In uniqueness, I mean how our nobility comes together for various functions with support. I have seen this over the years but did not fully experience it until I was elected your Oriental Guide. You know those who are there to help and what great Shriners and Masons they are, and just when you think they have given you everything, they come back with more. It is hard to put into words, but the lengths to which many of you forward in help and support of your Shrine are genuinely remarkable. For that, I am so grateful and thank each of you immensely, and let us not forget our ladies because, without them, we Nobels cannot undertake what we do!

Please do not forget to come to our Divan and Finance meetings. We would love to see you all there.

Sincerely and fraternally,  
**David A. Olivares**  
**Oriental Guide**  
David.Olivares@alzafar.org

## Hello Alzafar!

Can you believe it is already May? This year seems to be flying right on by. At the last two meetings, I spoke about units and clubs adding the Shrine Treasurer to their accounts to help protect them. I even wrote about it in the previous edition of the Achbar. Since February, only two units have added the Treasurer to their accounts. Hopefully, this month the list will grow.

Many have asked the other Divan members and me why this needs to occur. To elaborate further in this regard, it's not to have access to the funds in your account, but rather, it is to be in compliance with Imperial Bylaws. Per Shriners International Bylaws 327.4 Treasurer A. Duties 2: Act as custodian of all funds.

The month of May brings a lot of fun, but it also allows us to memorialize some extraordinary people. Since World War I, Memorial Day has become a celebration of honor for those who died in all of America's conflicts.

President Ronald Reagan is credited with reviving the practice of honoring Memorial Day and its meaning. Here is a portion of his speech at Arlington National Cemetery on Memorial Day in 1986.

"Today is the day we put aside to remember fallen heroes and to pray that no heroes will ever have to die for us again. It's a day of thanks for the valor of others, a day to remember the splendor of America and those of her children who rest in this cemetery and others. It's a day to be with the family and remember. I was thinking this morning that across the country, children and their parents will be going to the town parade, and the young ones will sit on the sidewalks and wave their flags as the band goes by. Later, maybe, they'll have a cookout or a day at the beach. And that's good because today is a day to be with the family and to remember."

I hope you all spend time with friends and family and take a minute to remember our fallen heroes on this day. I, for one, will remember the friends I lost in war and take a moment to reflect on the time I spent with those warriors.

As always, thank you so much for entrusting me with the responsibility to lead you all and watch over your money. Until we meet again. I hope you all stay safe and have a great year. **Robert M Norman II P.P. - Treasurer**



**Illustrious Sir Robert M. Norman, II**  
**Treasurer of Alzafar Shriners**

This month, allow me to focus on one of your outstanding office staff. Maria Olmos just hit her 19th anniversary with Alzafar Shrine. While her official job title may be Transportation Coordinator, she is responsible for Patient / Hospital Transportation. In her years working with Alzafar, she has made numerous contacts and relationships with our Galveston Hospital, The Tampa office, and many

other Shrines throughout the US. When she gets the call of a burned child or infant, her work begins, regardless of what time of day or night. The speed of getting burn patients to the right hospital is critical. She works to get the funds needed for transportation, whether from Alzafar or another Shrine Center or sometimes split between both. These costs can be tens of thousands of dollars per patient travel by ambulance or air flight. In the last 15 months, Alzafar has disbursed \$479,873 to pay for patients' transportation, some of which required follow-up doctor visits. That money comes from what you, as Shriners, raise and donate through your different fundraising efforts. Please keep up your great efforts and thank Maria for her dedication to the children.

Now about our building issues. I still want to do so many things to make the "constant improvement" that I am striving for. We are limited by time and money. Many items not critical to our rental income must be planned to stay within our approved budget. If you see something broken, please submit a "Request for Repair" ticket available on Alzafar.org or in the office. I hope to make our May focus on the Transportation Garage with the help of several units and clubs.

As I utilize the Webfez site more, I find many available functions. The information on Webfez is where we get the address for your invitations, renewal notices, and weekly communications. That is our internal email system to post important information. If you have any changes to your personal information, you should go in and make the changes yourself, whether it is updating your email, address, or phone number. The office staff can do it but it is faster if you do. If you are a president of your unit or club, did you know you can update the members of your unit and send them emails via Webfez and have it go to just them? Come by the office, and I'll show you how. Until next month, keep up the great work.



**Noble Michael Barnes**  
**Recorder of Alzafar Shriners**



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# RED ROADSTERS



## Red Roadsters

By: Leo Bravo Secretary

The energy has been brewing since the start of the new year. Car's being repaired, re-built, and new membership being sought after. The Red Roadster would like to give a big welcome to our newest member Noble Fabien Galindo.

I met Brother Fabien at the Grand Lodge's Officer's leadership training here at the San Antonio Scottish Rite Theater downtown. From the first conversation we had, Fabien was intrigued about becoming a Shriner. He showed great interest in the different units within our organization, and

he was enthusiastic about being a member of our unit in the Red Roadsters. Fabien brings enthusiasm, new ideas, and new direction for the unit. We embrace him as our Brother, Nobleman, and future leader of our Unit.



April was our first parade bringing out the cars to the Strawberry Festival and testing our driving skills. Wow, seeing the kids wave as we zoom by really brings joy to our hearts. Soon after we came together as



a unit to lend a helping hand to our Chief Rabban Marco Zuniga for his first event of the year the Spring Festival in the pavilion.

We look forward to bringing new life into our unit and we look forward to seeing you out at the parades.



## Alzafar Shrine Desert Knights

By: Jerry Granato

Greetings to all from the Desert Knights. Hope everyone had a safe and joyful Easter weekend last month. Can't believe it's May already. We're in full parade mode with events like the Poteet Strawberry Festival, San Antonio Fiesta Flambeau and Helotes Cornyval. With these exciting events, good ole backyard barbecues and fellowship with family and friends...It's a great time to be a member of the Alzafar Shrine.



Desert Knights wowed the crowd in Laredo 2.18.2023

We hope everyone is doing well and would like to invite you to our unit meetings which are held on the third Wednesday of each month in the Director's Room at 7:00pm. The ladies are always welcome at our meetings. If you arrive at 6:30pm, you can join us for a delicious meal provided by the ladies.

Happy Birthday wishes to our Secretary Bert Gonzalez.





### Ruffians Unit

We are loving the weather, well maybe not the rain so much when it comes to riding. Several of us were able to participate in the Motor Club's 1st Annual P.P. G.I. Flores Memorial Road Rally. Noble Armand came up from Monterey, Mexico and spent the day with us. So he gets a big shout out for making this trip!

We caught up to all those in cars and trucks at Camp Verde. That was interesting as few knew this was where the U.S. Army had troops stationed with Camels! They were testing them to see if they would be used in the western reaches of Texas and even farther where the heat is high and the water is scarce.

Then over to Center Point to pay our respects at the cemetery where the most Texas Rangers are in the State. Looking at their tombstones it was interesting to note that most of them were Masons, A local resident met us and gave an interesting talk about the cemetery. I'm sure he could have kept us captivated for even longer had we not needed to get back on the road.

The group took over a local restaurant for lunch and listened to stories about G.I. Flores. His Lady Margie and other family members were there and you could tell by their smiles they enjoyed hearing how much we all loved and respected G.I.

After lunch we all convened at Rising Star Lodge #429. The Texas Ranger Lodge. P.P. and President of the Motor Club Tom Young gave us a historical review of this Lodge. Following this the Ruffians left the Road Rally as several of us had other duties to attend to.

We are still having our Wednesday Night Break at different locations. Enjoying brotherhood and fellowship with each other and the Ladies as well. These are always fun evenings.

Several members and their Ladies helped out at Camp Alzafar for the Children's Easter Party. Kids and grand-

kids were treated to egg decorating and craft making of Easter decorations. Then there was the great Easter Egg hunt, To top it off we got to witness all the kids line up and take their turn swinging at a Pinata. There was one for the younger children and another for the older ones. The excitement of seeing a Pinata explode and candy fly throughout the Pavilion was a moment to behold. Hot dogs and chips were prepared and enjoyed by all.

April will find us in Poteet for the Strawberry Festival Parade. Looking ahead we see that warmer weather brings on the parades and we are excited to join in. We invite any Noble to come check us out and you don't even need a motorcycle. Until next time, y'all keep smiling and doing what you do.



### ALZAFAR SHOTGUN UNIT

AKA SMOKIN' CLAYS

By Secretary Bill Willis

The results are in for the TSSSA Mid-Winter shoot held March 18th right here at the Comal County Shooting Sports range in Spring Branch. And what a fantastic shoot it was. There were 52 shooters representing 6 different Temples from all across Texas shooting skeet, trap and five stand. Of course Alzafar led the way fielding 4 teams. Before I get to the results, however, I'd like to recognize a few people that made it all possible. First, the TSSSA President and ASGU Past President, Guillermo DeHoyos and his Lady Mayra, the current ASGU President, Brian Niday and his Lady Kim, the ASGU Treasurer, Jerry Smitha and his Lady Gay, Past President, Dave Jackson and his Lady Judy, and all the other Ladies that helped with registration, scoring and making the event a huge success. Also, a big thanks to our Potentate, Illustrious Sir Rick Reyes and the rest of the Divan that came out to show their support for the event.

Congratulations to the overall individual winners, 1st place Tommy Wooten from Hella, 2nd place Zach Silvers from Arabia, and 3rd place Benny Emmonds from Hella. In the team event for trap, the Smokin' Clays from Alzafar brought home trophies for 3rd place in class A, 3rd place in class B, and 2nd and 3rd place in class C. In the Hybrid team event, a combination of **Continued on Page 10**

**Continued from Page 9** skeet and five stand, Alzafar placed 2nd in class B, and 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in class C.

The Smokin' Clays will now be focusing on our next big tournament at TSA which will be in Ft. Worth on June 8th where we'll be shooting sporting clays. Our next practice is scheduled for 9 a.m., Saturday, April 22nd at the Lone Star gun range in Converse. Everyone is invited to come out and shoot with us. Just reach out to myself or any other member of the Shotgun Unit for details. We'll even be grilling burgers for lunch after practice.

Our stated meetings are held on the second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Ladies are always welcome. Be sure to come early as our Honorary Third Vice and Chief Chef, David Hadley, always serves up a delicious meal around 6:30. Until next month keep your powder dry, and remember, as long as there is lead in the air, there is hope!



### ALZAFAR SHRINE SENIORS

**By: Daniel Coburn, Secretary**

The monthly meeting of the Alzafar Senior's was held in the Roustabouts room on April 6th with 18 members and guests attending. A lunch of Chicken Pot Pies and Caesar's Salad was provided by Daniel Coburn with birthday cake for dessert by Al Pike.

Our speaker for the month was David Olivares, Alzafar Oriental Guide. David talked about our building and the progress we have made with repairs and upkeep while stressing that there is still a lot to do. David also went over some of the upcoming events and parades in and outside the Shrine. On Friday, April 7th, Shrine members will be volunteering as servers at the Big Red Barn in Seguin and in exchange will receive a donation of some of the proceeds. David invited members to attend the various Shrine meetings and stressed the importance of member involvement.

The Shrine Seniors Club meets at noon on the first Thursday of every month in the Shrine Roustabouts Room. All senior Shrine Members and their Ladies are welcome to join us for lunch, dessert, and stimulating conversation. Shriners younger than 60 can become honorary members and those 100 or older eat for free. Our next meeting is scheduled for May 4th. Please RSVP to join us so that we have enough food. Until then we wish everyone safe travels.

For more information, or to RSVP, contact Senior's Secretary Daniel Coburn at 830-832-5513 or at [dyco-burn@gmail.com](mailto:dyco-burn@gmail.com).



**Russell T Ross, Scribe  
Alzafar Highlanders**

On April 1 2023 the Alzafar Highlanders held their second annual whisky tasting. It was a wonderful evening with attendance surpassing the previous year. The tasting offered samples of whiskies from 5 different areas of the beautiful, majestic country of Scotland. Each of the whiskies represented the history and richness of the mother country that birthed them. During the tasting, attendants were treated to a summation of each whisky by the very knowledgeable Heather Hawkins, a certified spirits expert and representative from Total Wine and More. She delivered an in-depth description of each scotch poured that evening, verbally walking attendees through an appreciation of what pierced their lips as their senses drew them

into the aromatic journey that breached forth from each savory dram. Each Wiff and sip brought to one's senses the taste of Scotland. Join us as



well next year and allow your palate to take you on a journey through some of the tasty stories and tales traveling through the veins of Scotland's rich history. At the end of the evening a 29-year-old, \$300.00 bottle of Glen Fohdry was raffled off. It was an evening of good tastes, good

fortune and good friends. From this event the Highlander's were able to raise over \$500.00 for the Hospital transportation fund.



The Alzafar Highlanders are a bag-pipe band in part, but we are also a group of individuals who love to

share and honor the amazing history of Scotland. We invite you to join us, whether you are a piper, a drummer or just a lover of all things Scotland. We meet on Wednesday evenings at 1830 in room 9 and we'd love for you to join us.



The Honor Guard would like to send a great big Howdy to the Nobles of Alzafar Shrine! We have enjoyed the parades in Poteete and the Flambeau. The crowds and the "Thank you, Shriners," shouted from the spectators is very welcome and helps remind all of us of what we are here for- taking care of our children.

Your Honor Guard is proud to represent Alazafar as we are the only active Honor Guard left in Texas. It is our solemn duty to lead all parades and present the colors at Alzafar Shrine functions. With Memorial Day, May 29, Flag Day, June 14 (this also happens to be the Army's Birthday and the Infantry's as well), and Independence Day July 4 we would like to remind all Shriners of proper etiquette for the Flag as outlined in The United States Flag Code establishes advisory rules for display and care of the flag of the United States. It is Section 1 of Title 4 of the United States Code (4 U.S.C. § 1 et seq). This etiquette is as applied within U.S. jurisdiction. In other countries and places, local etiquette applies.

Standards of respect

- The flag should never be dipped to any person or thing, unless it is the ensign responding to a salute from a ship of a foreign nation. This tradition comes from the 1908 Summer Olympics in London, where countries were asked to dip their flag to King Edward VII: the American team flag bearer, Ralph Rose, refused, teammate Martin Sheridan famously proclaiming that "this flag dips to no earthly king." This tradition was codified as early as the 1911 U.S. Army drill regulations.
- The flag should never be displayed with the union (the starred blue canton) down, except as a signal of dire distress in instances of extreme danger to life or property.
- The flag should not be used as "wearing apparel, bedding, or drapery", or for covering a speaker's desk, draping a platform, or for any decoration in general (exception for coffins). Bunting of blue, white, and red stripes is available for these purposes. The blue stripe of the bun-

ting should be on the top.

- The flag should never be drawn back or bunched up in any way.
- The flag should never be used as a covering for a ceiling.
- The flag should never be used for any advertising purpose. It should not be embroidered, printed, or otherwise impressed on such articles as cushions, handkerchiefs, napkins, boxes, or anything intended to be discarded after temporary use. Advertising signs should not be attached to the staff or halyard.
- The flag should not be used as part of a costume or athletic uniform, except that a flag patch may be used on the uniform of military personnel, firefighters, police officers, and members of patriotic organizations.

Over the pandemic we have collected several old and ragged Flags that need proper disposal. The Honor Guard plans on having a Flag Retirement Ceremony on Flag Day Jun 14, 2023, at 6:00 PM on the concrete slab next to the Pavilion, more to follow.



**Alzafar Provost Guard Unit**  
By Tom Hirte Secretary/Treasurer

The Provost Guard Unit had its monthly meeting on April 5th, 2023 with a good showing of members, ladies and guests. We had a wonderful meal of deep-fried catfish prepared by our unit chef, David Hadley. Our unit competed in the TSPGA Mid-Winter shoot on March 24th and 25th in Dallas. Our team took 1st place in the D division, 3rd place in the two-handed shooters, 3rd place in the open shooters. One of our members shot on the 3rd place B division team for Al Amin and one of our members shot on the 3rd place D division team for Karem. We had a table of Nobles and Ladies at the Nobility Ball and a good time was had by all. Anyone interested in learning about our unit, bullseye pistol shooting and meeting like-minded Shriners from around the Greatest State in the Union, come see us. We meet the 1st Wednesday of the month in the Director's Staff/Provost Guard room out back. Our meetings begin with a social time at 6:00pm, dinner at 6:30 pm and our meeting starting at 7:00 pm. Your Lady is ALWAYS welcome to attend.



## Your Turn from the Family

Our brother Noble and good guy Ron Spar writes a few lines that should bring you a smile or a chuckle:

His muse begins with “I think most of us can relate;

1. The biggest joke on mankind is that computers have begun asking humans to prove they aren't a robot.
2. When a kid says, “Daddy, I want mommy,” that's the kid version of, “I'd like to speak to your supervisor.”
3. It's weird being the same age as old people.
4. Just once I want a username and password prompt to say CLOSE ENOUGH.
5. If I am ever on life support, unplug me and plug me back in and see if that works.
6. Do you ever wake up in the morning and look in the mirror and think... “That can't be accurate?!”
7. Last night the internet stopped working, so I spent a few hours with my family. They seem like good people.
8. If Adam and Eve were Cajuns, they would have eaten the snake instead of the apple and saved us all a lot of trouble.
9. We celebrated last night with a couple of adult beverages; Metamucil and Ensure.
10. You know you are getting old when “friends with benefits” means having someone who can drive at night.
11. Weight loss goal: To be able to clip my toenails and breathe at the same time.
12. After watching how some people wear their masks, I understand why contraception fails.
13. Some of my friends exercise every day; meanwhile, I am watching a show I don't like because the remote fell on the floor.
14. For those of you that don't want Alexa listening in on your conversation, they are making a male version: It doesn't listen to anything.
15. I just got a present labeled, “From Mom and Dad,” and you know darn well Dad has no idea what's inside.
16. Now that I have lived through a plague, I totally understand why Italian renaissance paintings are full of fat people lying on couches.
17. Now that we have everyone washing their hands correctly... next week... Turn Signals!

**(Editor:) Made my day, “Way to go, Ron!”**

## SHRINERS HOSPITALS

You may have never met  
this philanthropy

(The names and places of certain people were removed to protect their privacy)



We all appear to profess a solid unyielding belief in Shriners Hospitals for Children; now, after 100 years, it's rebranded for a third time; Shriners Children's. My son is the Potentate of Alzafar Shriners. I have been a Shriner for forty-plus years, and he has been one for about twenty. Recently, an event made my son rethink what Shriners Children's is in his mind's eye. Think about your support for our hospitals without thinking about money. Are you able, really? What follows is, in part, a recent conversation with my son.

In my second year as a Shriner, I learned about our hospital services and even sponsored my first patient-child into our medical specialty pediatric care system in Houston. In those days, the Hospitals wanted a Shriner to sponsor a child, so the hospital could get an accurate representation of the child's condition before admission. In antiquity, as my grandchildren would say, one of my multiple work hats had me selling commercial broadcast electronic equipment to radio and tv stations in Mexico. One day, when visiting me in



Laredo, a customer from a major city in Mexico mentioned that they were flying to Houston to get a surgical referral for his daughter, who had been born with a club foot. He also asked me if I knew of any recommended hospitals in Houston that were good at children's surgical care. I, of course, piped up and said that the Shriners had a hospital there. But I continued that he did not have to go there as we have a hospital in Mexico City. He had no idea and had never heard of Shriners or our pediatric care, much less in Mexico. He went on to say that they would check them out when they got home. Houston was still on the agenda as he wanted the best for his daughter and, so his wife could go shopping at the Galleria.

The Galleria Center in Houston was in its day like the Mecca for wealthy Mexicans. The issue was never heard again, and I figured he had his daughter treated somewhere.

Thirty-plus years later, I am a former Potentate of Alzafar Shriners; with the support of Imperial Potentate John Cinnato, I was exploring a path for Shriners Hospitals to partner with Carlos Slim in Mexico (at the time the wealthiest man in the world). We were looking to raise funds through their annual charitable fundraising campaign on radio and TV. A good friend in Mexico agreed to meet with Mr. Slim's broadcasting partner, where the conversation of Shriners Hospitals was raised for the first time.

Carlos Slim's partner mentioned that he knew all about Shriners hospitals and retold the story that a friend had recommended that he take his daughter to the hospital in Mexico City. He had, and the surgery was completed, as promised, and his daughter was perfect. He mentioned that he wasn't then as after partnering with Carlos Slim but was still quite wealthy. The conversation continued that as he checked his daughter out of the hospital and received the doctor's instructions, he asked the hospital office manager how much he owed. The office manager said, “Nothing.” And added that the Shriners do not charge for these services. The gentleman then remarked, “What” and then offered a



donation. The Shriners Hospital office manager said that she could not accept donations and that he could send something another day. The father of that daughter who went through her club foot surgery was my former customer. His daughter was perfect after Shriners' Patient care. How perfect? The then little girl became grown and Miss Mexico through the Miss Universe pageant process. They really wanted to return the blessing. Although successful in finding a suitable donor, it was determined that Shriners Hospitals couldn't handle the notoriety and the avalanche of patients such a promotion would cause.

A decade has passed since I was active on Imperial Donor Relations, and now Potent-Pop as my son and 2023 Alzafar Potentate calls me. I received a troubling phone call. My teenage granddaughter Kay-Kay was riding her mom's fancy bicycle. She somehow had her front wheel get entangled with her girlfriend's bike and fell off and on her elbow, shattering it into multiple pieces. The injury was of the bones scattered and swelling, which a surgeon would need an exceptional skill set far beyond most surgeons. Our Potentate was hours in the emergency room of Methodist Hospital; the ER doctor said he couldn't set such a complex break. The doctor recommended another surgeon, and they were then awaiting that doctor's call.

It was at this point my son called me. I told my son to take her to Shriners in Galveston without hesitation. My son dismissed it out of hand. He said the ER doctor said the guy he knew was one of the best orthopedic surgeons in the city. The consulting surgeon called the next day and received Kay-Kay's films electronically. He told my son that the reconstruction was too complex even for him but that he knew of a surgeon who could do the surgery. Would a professionally employed couple with the best insurance in the world want to have their daughter treated by Shriners Hospitals for Children? They have the best insurance in the world. My daughter-in-law is employed by USAA as a manager. My son is a world-class money manager and has more letters after his name denoting financial expertise than a spilled can of alphabet soup. It is because, with every advantage in the world, the best care for the one you love the most was then, as it is today, Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Our Illustrious Sir finally considered my early recommendation. He called our Alzafar High Priest, Steve White, to get the correct names and numbers at Shriners Children's Galveston. Steve White recently came off the Board of Trustees at our Galveston Hospital as its Chairman and is now an Emeritus Member of the Board. Steve knows Shriners Children's well. Within the hour Kay-Kay's records were transferred, and multiple disciplinary teams of the best were on the case and in active review. With the confidence that comes from what had been done and knowledge of what is always possible, the lead surgeon called our Potentate and told him the surgery would be done on Monday. She will be home in recovery by Wednesday. It was, she was, and all is well in the world.

Engrain that in your heart, dear Alzafar, that Shriners Children's is not about charity care; it has never been; it is about excellence. All the money in the world cannot buy the skills and heart of a Shrine doctor, surgeon, nurse, employee, or you. And we Alzafar Shriners must remember that this thing of ours has always been about medical brilliance. We do not offer care based on price, but no price can match our excellence in pediatric specialty care. We Alzafar Shriners are the best in creating the best in what we do together and remember, the best superheroes don't wear a cape; they wear a Fez!



This week's spotlight is on our Red Roadsters. I can remember many years ago, the Red Roadsters being one of our larger parade units. I've heard rumblings through the grapevine that they might be making a comeback. I believe it was LL Cool J who said, "Don't call it a comeback; I've been here for years." Well, as they said in one of my favorite Sci-Fi flicks... "They're baaack!" And starting to gear up for their highly anticipated entry into our upcoming parade season.

The Red Roadsters unit was formed in 1983. They are quarter-scale models of the red 1932 Ford Roadster running up to 10 horsepower motors. They are a fun-loving group of men who love helping children, driving in parades, and competing against other Roadster units across the state and nation. Should you want to join in on the fun, please find Leo Bravo or Tim Horgan at our stated meeting and find out their plans for their future.



## Road Rally Honors Gregorio "G.I." Flores

The Road Rally held in honor of Gregorio "G.I." Flores was a beautiful tribute to a beloved member of his family Masonic Lodge, Alzafar Shriners, and his community. Family and friends gathered at Alzafar and embarked on a journey together to commemorate the life and legacy of a man who was clearly held in high regard by all who knew him. The Rally was an excellent opportunity for people to come together, share stories, and pay their respects to a man who had clearly left a positive mark on the world.

The group began their journey by traveling to Comfort, TX, where they spent some time in the Comfort Historic District. This was likely a brilliant way for the group to bond and spend time together, reminiscing about old times and catching up on each other's lives. The group then moved to Camp Verde, where they met with the Alzafar Ruffian Motorcycle Unit. The fact that so many people were involved in the Rally exemplified how much Past Potentate G.I. Flores was loved and respected by all.

Shopping in the Gift Shop at Camp Verde was a highlight for many, and it's easy to see why. Gift shops are often full of unique and exciting



items; browsing and seeing what catches your eye is always fun. After their time at Camp Verde, the group traveled to the CenterPoint Cemetery.

This was a significant stop on the Rally. It allowed everyone to learn more about the area's history and pay their respects to the 36 Texas Rangers buried there; several were Texas Freemasons.

Lunch was a much-needed break for everyone, and the



# MOTOR CLUB



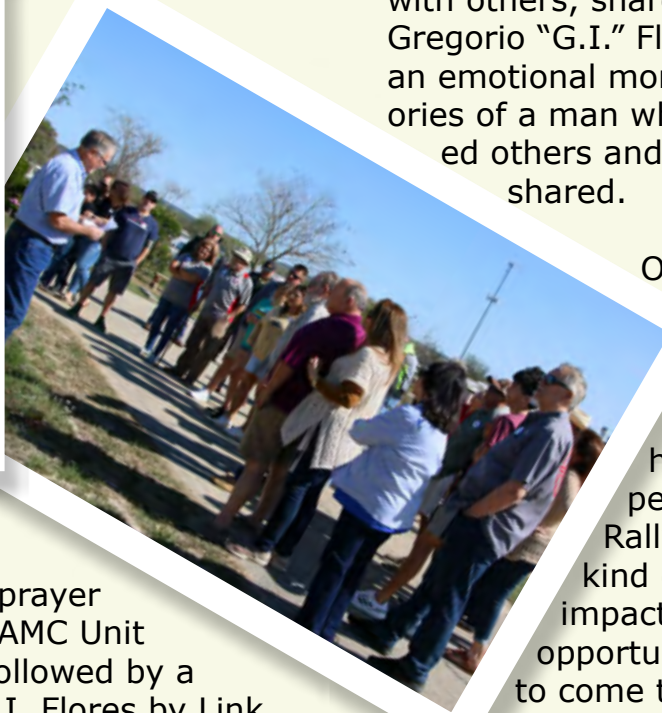
Illustrious Sir Tom Young  
AMC President 2023



"Travis" Elmendorf, Former Potentate of Alzafar Shriners. The prayer and gentleman's toast were clearly befitting and beautiful tributes to a man who touched many lives.

The next stop on the Rally was the Rising Star Ranger Masonic Lodge #429 in Center Point, Texas. There, Alzafar Potentate Rick Reyes, III, and Alzafar Oriental Guide David Olivares, with others, shared stories about our dear Gregorio "G.I." Flores. This was undoubtedly an emotional moment for many, as the memories of a man who had significantly impacted others and his Masonic brothers were shared.

Overall, the Road Rally in honor of G.I. Flores was a beautiful tribute to a man who was clearly loved and respected by all who knew him. The fact that so many people were involved in the Rally speaks volumes about the kind of person G.I. was and his impact on us all. It was a fantastic opportunity for family and friends to come together, share memories, and honor a life well-lived in service to others.



Los Dos Amigos Restaurant provided a fantastic meal for the group. The prayer was given by Noble and AMC Unit Treasurer James Hoyo, followed by a Toast to Illustrious Sir G.I. Flores by Link





## SHRINERS CHILDREN'S MEXICO CITY, MEXICO

We celebrate 100 years of improving the lives of children.

It is always good to celebrate new opportunities – and successful services. Shriners hospitals and outpatient clinics are located in U.S., Canada, and Mexico. Shriners Children's is evolving through their 2035 vision plan initiative into providing more services to kids in settings other than hospital facilities. Latin America is the focus of Shriners Children's expansion plans.

As part of that plan, SHC has built a clinic to serve children in Monterrey, Mexico. In November, 2021 SHC-Mexico City began surgeries in Monterrey, with the official opening August 2022. SHC-Mexico City, is providing the management for the Monterrey clinic and other expansion cities. The clinic, has 3 surgeons, 1 pediatrician, 1 anesthesiologist, 1 registered nurse who perform inpatient and outpatient surgery for Shriners' Children, Physical Therapy, Prosthesis and other services. Media outlets are broadcasting the good news how Shriners Children furthers the goal of serving more kids, in more places. Additionally, SHC-Mexico City has held clinics in Panama, El Salvador and other locations. Currently there are clinics planned for 3 other cities in Mexico with more cities under consideration. SHC-Mexico City is becoming the center for referrals for all of Latin America.

SHC-Mexico City has a very close connection to Alzar Shrine. Alzar is one of the highest contributing Shrines in the entire Shriners Children Hospital System (SHC). Previously, Alzar's own Ron Trine, serving as Chairman of the Board for SHC-Mexico City brought dramatic growth to the hospital's services. Also, currently, Alzar member Oscar Flores, serves on the SHC Board of Governors Mexico and on the important Human Resource Committee. As most of you know, Maria Olmos in the Alzar office receives calls each week requesting transport of children, including ground and emergency air transportation, with severe burns from Mexico to SHC-Galveston and other Shriners hospitals. Alzar, through all your

efforts, contributes each year approximately \$225,000 to transporting children from Mexico.

Shriners Hospital and Clinic in Mexico achieved impressive results during the 2022 calendar year:

- Over 70,000 outpatient visits (physiological, nutritional, and other services)
- More than 7,143 surgeries
- Mexico City as of October 2022 now provides outpatient surgeries as COVID has retreated
- More than 786 prosthesis delivered to children
- More than 5,000 Telehealth and Fast Track Video Visit sessions for physiotherapy and other services such as nutritional assistance

Currently, Alzar's First Lady Amanda Reyes, has a project to raise funds by offering squares on a quilt that will be delivered to Shriners Mexico City Hospital in November, 2023.

At that time, over 40 ladies will accompany Amanda to Mexico City.

Please let Amanda Reyes or Potentate Rick Reyes know of your interest in this project.

Let us all remember why we became Shriners. This is our philanthropic mission. We are reminded that every great accomplishment starts with a few dedicated people.

**Nobles, WE ARE THOSE PEOPLE.**

**Andrew Libby, Treasurer, SHC-Mexico City  
Member, Board of Governors**



**Nekodah Temple No. 44  
Daughters of the Nile  
Queen Wanda Rincover**

We have some fun fundraisers events coming up, please join us.

May 7, 2023, 11:30am – 3:00pm Fiesta Luncheon – Alzar Shrine parlors Tickets are \$25 each and will be available at the April 13th session. Event Chair – Pr Cynthia Beck 210 416-5876. Fashion show by Graciela. A Charitable – Giving event.

May 30, 2023, 6:30pm-9:00pm Bunco in the Alzafar Shrine parlors. \$10 per person and an appetizer Event Chair – Pr Tirzah Geri-anne Hockman Cell- 210 373-3898. A ways and means event.

June 25, 2023, 2:00pm-4:00 pm Homecoming Tea in the Alzafar Shrine parlors. Event Chair – Pr Royal Brandy Reyes Cell- 210 542-2041.

Friendly Reminder, if you haven't paid your 2023-2024 (\$52) dues you may send them to Pr Recorder Diana Thomas, her contact information is in the Roster.

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

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

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

**We are Nekodah Strong**



Our Oriental Guide David Olivares threw a news worthy Children's Easter Party with hundreds in attendance including area commercial television leader KENS TV 5 which interviewed our OG and Local Fox News KABB Channel 29 got in on our party for the kiddos. Way to go OG!



On your mark, get ready... The kiddos stand ready to run into the grass and catch a few eggs for easter. Alzafar Shriners are good eggs to provide children's events which are so well received and so very free.



Noble Tim Horgan has been selected once again as Alzafar Shriners "Shriner of the Month"

(From a Shrine Family Member) I recently interviewed a guy for a job. It went like this:


**Me:** Everything looks great, but what's up with this 4 year gap in your resume?

**The Guy:** That's when I went to Yale...

**Me:** That's impressive. You are hired.

**Guy:** Thanks. I really needed this Yob.

You could win **\$400** by just showing up to Our Next Meeting



~~\$300.00~~

If you Know Noble **E. C. Carver** Tell him, that his Name was Called!

**You Could Win**

**\$400.00**  
\*Holy Moley!

Every Alzafar Shriner is included free of charge. However, the winning Shriners must be present at the stated meeting when his name is called to win

\* That means Folding Money, US Cash, Benjamins

**Our Nobles taken by  
The Black Camel**



- William H Templeton 10/2022
- Manuel J Madrid 10/2022
- Sidney R Ogden 10/2022
- Gregorio I Flores 11/2022
- Patrick L Miller 12/2022
- Felix "Buzz Lathier St. Claire III 01/2023
- Burton Junior Buck 01/2023
- Paul Gill 01/2023
- Christopher Hill 02/2023
- Sam G DePalermo 02/2023
- John Andrew Cunningham 02/2023
- George Mills 02/2023
- Milton R Hatcher 02/2023
- James E Davies 03/2023
- William Joseph Denk 04/2023



**IN MEMORY OF:**

**DONOR:**

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| Bennie Len Hudson                                | Canyon Lake Shrine Club                                       |
| Burton Buck<br>Burton Buck                       | Robert & Rebecca Ashley<br>Hospital Corps                     |
| GI Flores<br>GI Flores<br>GI Flores<br>GI Flores | James Hoyos<br>Ron & Mary Trine<br>Rick Oberg<br>Ruffian Unit |
| Kaaren Lynn Clark                                | Benjamin Lindsey  |
| Mary Lou Cruse                                   | Stephen W McMahan   |
| Paul Gill  | Walt & Patsy Hammons  |
| Steve Rossman<br>Steve Rossman<br>Steve Rossman  | Stephen W McMahan<br>William H Mellon<br>William H Mellon     |



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Noble David Hensley posted this on social media and we laughed and nothing could be more true! I spend my twenties in Vietnam and those days were better than these!  
Thanks David, I liked it anyway!

## 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 <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 PM	Directors Rm.
DIRECTORS STAFF	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday	7:30 P.M.	Directors Rm.
DRUM CORPS	Each Thursday	7:30 P.M.	Room 7
FARIS	As Called		Camp Alzafar
GOLF UNIT	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday	7:00 P.M.	Room 8
HIGHLANDERS BAND	Each Wednesday	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	7:00 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	7:00 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 7
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
RUFFIANS	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday		Camp Alzafar
RV CLUB	4 <sup>th</sup> Weekend		As Designated
SENIORS	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday	12:00 N	Roustabout
SHOTGUN	2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday	7:00 P.M.	Directors Rm

### SHRINE CLUB MEETINGS

CANYON LAKE	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday	6:30 P.M.	TBD
GUADALUPE VALLEY	3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday	6:00 P.M.	As Designated
HILL COUNTRY	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday	11:30A.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
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*	1970 Jack W. Cones, Jr.*
1917 Ted Millburn*	1971 Bruce Waitz*
1918 J. A. Patterson*	1972 Floyd F. Graham*
1919 Henry Rabe*	1973 Drue H. Floyd*
1920 Robert Burne*	1974 Jack O. Dietz*
1921 Sylvan Lang*	1975 H.C. Kopplow*
1922 Robert S. Michael*	1976 W.H. "Bill" Elmore*
1923 Nathan K. Tracy*	1977 Thurman Barrett, Jr.*
1924 H. W. Weber*	1978 Floyd O. Schneider*
1925 Herman Horner*	1979 Reese L. Harrison, Jr.
1926 Charles D. Hall*	1980 Burdit W. McCoy*
1927 S. X. Callahan*	1981 James V. Gullette*
1928 John Lomax*	1982 Joseph M. Clark*
1929 Henry A. Hirschberg*	1983 George D. Vann, Jr.*
1930 A.J. McKenzie*	1984 Joe Roy Hollaway*
1931 Louis P. Hartung*	1985 E.C. "Bud" Jordan*
1932 Anton N. Moursund*	1986 Sidney D. Autry*
1933 G.G. Grebenheimer*	1987 Terry McGuire*
1934 Porter Loring*	1988 James Dockery, Jr.*
1935 P.D. Mathis*	1989 George J. Labinski*
1936 Geo. F. Dullnig*	1990 James W. Todd*
1937 Willard E. Simpson*	1991 Ray Fuller*
1938 C. Baumberger, Jr.*	1992 Robert "Bob" Jett
1939 William Eifler*	1993 Emmett C. George*
1940 William H. Wallace*	1994 E.C. "Ed" Vest*
1941 Daniel O'Connell*	1995 Tom Boothe*
1942 O.J. Solcher*	1996 Jerry Krupp*
1943 Rennie Wright*	1997 Harry D. Rose*
1944 Albert A. Green*	1998 Robert D. "Bob" Green
1945 W.D. Turbeville*	1999 Robert "Bobby" Hunt
1946 Ted E. Poppe*	2000 Bob Stephens*
1947 Alfred W. Harlos*	2001 Loren Hayes*
1948 Sam A. Chapman*	2002 J. Philip Knight-Sheen
1949 Richard Adams*	2003 Wayne R. Duncan
1950 Roy Akers*	2004 Steve R. Molnar*
1951 Glen K. Schuepbach*	2005 Stuart H. Simms*
1952 W.C. "Pat" Welch*	2006 Frank B. Hunter*
1953 Elliot J. Bilhartz*	2007 Joseph Calvey
1954 Ray H. Trimmier*	2008 Paul F. McCombs
1955 T.M. McCormick*	2009 James "Jim" Strayer*
1956 H.S. Norman*	2010 Richard "Rick" Reyes II
1957 W.B. Jack Ball*	2011 Gregorio "G.I." Flores*
1958 Floyd J. Griffin*	2012 Robert "Bob" Jones
1959 Henry W. Eitt*	2013 Tom Young
1960 Harvey McDonald*	2014 Expelled
1961 L.L. Woodman*	2015 Jay Dee Thomas
1962 George W. Henry*	2016 John Dunn
1963 Barney Norris*	2017 Gary Radvansky
1964 Jack B. Lee*	2018 Jason Triggs
1965 Robert B. O'Connor*	2019 Eric DeWalt
1966 E. Jeff Ashcraft, Jr.*	2020 Marty Bartlett
1967 D. Neal Talley*	2021 L. Travis Elmendorf
1968 Wm. H. Ferguson*	2022 Robert M. Norman, II
1969 Keith Gerstner*	

### 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**

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

## 2023 Master Calendar

### MAY 2023

6th	Cornval Parade	8:00 AM	10:00 AM
8th	Divan/Finance meeting	5:00 PM	8:30 PM
11th	Shrine Stated meeting	7:00 PM	9:00 PM
27th	Memorial Day Parade	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
27th-29th	Camp Alzafar Opening		

### JUNE 2023

4th	AMC Car Show SASA Parking Lot	9:00 AM	4:00 PM
5th	Divan/Finance meeting	5:00 PM	8:30 PM
8th	No Stated. The shrine is dark.		
7th-10th	TSA - Texas Shrine Association	Ft. Worth, TX	

### JULY 2023

1st- 7th	Imperial Session	Charlotte, North Carolina.	
4th	Seguin, July 4th Parade (optional)	8:00 AM	10:00 AM
10th	Divan/Finance meeting	5:00 PM	8:30 PM
July 13th	Shrine Stated meeting	7:00 PM	9:00 PM