



September
2023

ALZAFAR SHRINE CIRCUS



September 8th, 9th & 10th
Freeman Coliseum

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Asst. Rabban.....Mike Long
High Priest & Prophet.....Steve White
Oriental Guide.....David Olivares
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Recorder.....Michael Barnes
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2023 FINANCE COMMITTEE

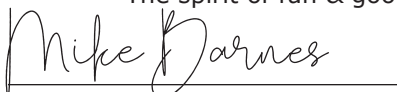
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Notice of Stated Meeting of Alzafar Shriners

The following Stated Meeting of Alzafar Shriners will be on **October 12, 2023** at 7:00 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 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.


Recorder: Michael Barnes


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

Alzafar,

Amanda and I can't believe we are more than halfway through the year already. I was told by many who have walked this line that the last year will be busy but short and to enjoy it as much as possible. They weren't kidding. It seems like I was taking the oath of office yesterday, and now I am nearly finished with the year. The year is not over, and we are anxious-



ly awaiting the next activity Alzafar has on the agenda. Speaking of the agenda, I'm sure you've seen what we have coming up very soon. The Gala, Golf Tournament, Circus, and more, all within a few months. It should be fun and entertaining for all in our wonderful Shrine family.

I want to share one exciting piece of financial news for Alzafar. When you voted to approve this year's budget at the end of last year, you agreed on an item of capital expenditure to acquire pipe, drapes, and uplighting for our facility. In the past, when we rented out the facility or had our own events in the ballroom, we rented the pipe, drape, and uplighting from an outside entity. After much consideration, we asked ourselves, why are we paying someone else to do something that we can do ourselves. Because of that purchase, I'm pleased to announce that between rentals of our newly acquired pipe, drape, and lighting, along with our own utilization, we have more than paid back what we spent to purchase it. I'm proud that our unified vision produced a fruitful culmination.

Lastly, and something I'd like each of you to keep in mind as we move throughout the rest of the year. We have just a couple more membership events that we plan to hold. Membership is not just the acquisition of new members for our organization; it's also a way to keep our current members excited about what we do for our community, hospital systems, and ourselves. If all we ever do is work, what fun would the Shrine be? When you see the subsequent membership events hit the calendar, please remember that they are for you and anyone you believe would be a great fit to carry on our fun, fellowship, and fraternity tradition.

Good day Nobles & Ladies!!!

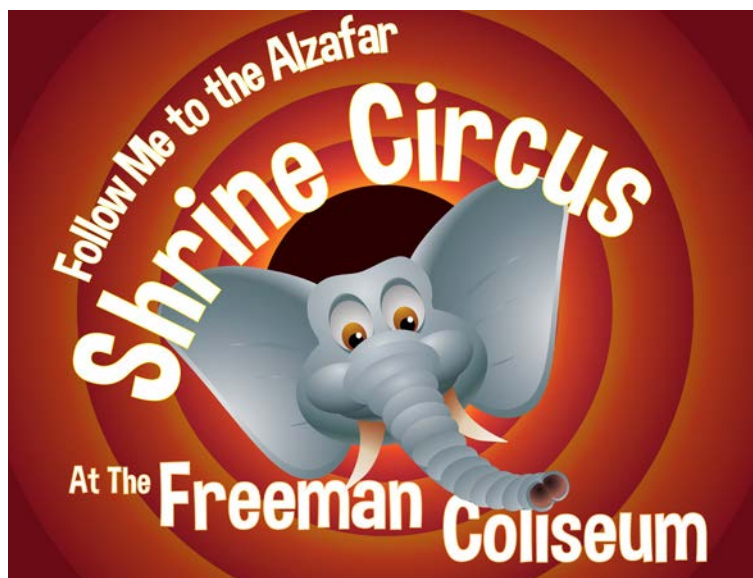
Thank you ALZAFAR!! As you read this, we will have just finished up with the Alzafar Shrine Circus. Lady Lori and would like to take this opportunity to say thank you. These events are a large undertaking, and without the support of our nobles and their ladies this would not be possible. From your encouragement, advice, guidance, and most importantly your friendships, we could not do this without every single one of you. Once again, we truly appreciate you, your hard work and support. From the bottom of our hearts THANK YOU. It is such a pleasure to work with nobles and their ladies who are so dedicated to seeing this fraternity succeed.



Noble Marco Zuniga
Chief Rabban of Alzafar Shriners

Coming up October 7th we have our annual hospital gala put on by our Assistant Rabban Mike Long. Tables are available for purchase on Eventbrite.com so get your table purchased, you don't want to miss it! He is still in need of high-quality auction items, let's get those items turned into to him or the ladies in the office. With your support I know the hospital gala will be a tremendous success. As always Lady Lori & I thank you for your continued support and hope to make you proud.

Fraternally yours,
Marco Zuniga



We are thrilled to share the exciting news that the highly anticipated Alzafar Shriners 100-year Hospital Gala is now just a mere two months away! Our heartfelt gratitude goes out to those who have already secured their tickets and tables and generously contributed remarkable items to our upcoming auction. While we are witnessing a steady influx of donations, we are well aware that additional support is still needed.



Noble Michael Long
Assistant Rabban of Alzafar Shriners

Your involvement doesn't have to be limited to the confines of the event itself. In fact, we encourage you to seize any opportunity to spread the word about our cause. Whether you're dining out, having your car pampered, or partaking in any other outing, you can make a difference by inquiring if the establishment's management would be interested in making a donation to our invaluable hospital system. It's worth noting that the Alzafar Shriners contribute an astounding sum of over \$250,000 towards the betterment of our hospitals, and every contribution, no matter the size, brings us closer to meeting the goals of our mission.



For those who have items that want to contribute to our auction, rest assured that we've got you covered. Simply bring these items to our office, and we will ensure their safekeeping until the gala. As the event draws nearer, we're also witnessing an upswing in table sales. Suppose you have a specific seating arrangement in mind or a particular table that captures your interest. In that case, we strongly recommend securing it at your earliest convenience to avoid any disappointment.

To get all the intricate details about the event and to purchase your tickets, please follow this link: This promises to be a memorable night filled with camaraderie and celebration. The highlight of the evening will undoubtedly be the captivating musical performance by Floyd's Domino All Stars, who will whisk us away to the enchanting melodies of the 20s, 30s, and 40s.

Furthermore, it's worth

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noting that this gala is a nod to the captivating era of

The Great Gatsby. Embrace the opportunity to immerse yourself in the glamour of that era by adorning yourself in themed attire, or come dressed as you, please. As the countdown to this remarkable occasion continues, we eagerly await the chance to commemorate this extraordinary milestone with each and every one of you. Your presence and support are the cornerstones that make events like these truly magical. Let's come together and make this gala a resounding success that will leave a lasting impact on our hospital system and the lives it touches.

Michael Long
Alzafar Asst. Rabban
210-387-0025

Nobles, we have some significant events heading your way. October 7th is our yearly Shrine Gala. It will surely be a great success. We look forward to our Texas patient Ambassador Kyndal Wiseman and our very own Shriners Hospital for Children Texas Administrator to inspire our continued support. Ms. Glendening will also inform us how important our new San Antonio clinic will be to our children and our Texas Hospital. All this with outstanding auction items, great food, and entertainment.



Noble Steve White
High Priest & Prophet of Alzafar Shriners

This November 1st, please mark your calendar for the best golf tournament you can attend this year. Last year we netted \$60k for our transportation fund, and this year's goal is \$100k. Please think about supporting a sponsorship, team play, and raffle items. You can now do everything online at Alzafar.org. This year we are looking for 144 golfers to play at one of the best courses in San Antonio. Canyon Springs Golf Club is a beautiful course for experienced and new golfers. We need your help to make this happen and to help our children.

Alzafar has many important decisions to be made next year, and your Divan is already working to make next year exciting. You will see four significant events, one each quarter for the fraternity and the philanthropy. You will also have a new Oriental Guide, who I am sure we will find and elect a great brother and an excellent business-minded person.

Until next time enjoy the fall weather soon to be upon us. Fraternaly yours - Steve White

Many things are happening as we enter the ninth month of the year. We start off the month with Labor Day, when many of us will enjoy a three-day weekend. We finish off the month with the First Day of Fall. Yes, this means the weather should start cooling off.



Noble David Olivares
Oriental Guide of Alzafar Shriners

Please remember right after our Labor Day weekend, we will welcome back the Alzafar Shrine Circus. I know many of us are excited to see the circus return. It will surely be a great time with all the acts and our own NEMNUF Clowns taking to the rings. Mark those calendars for September 8 - 10.

We have many events to look forward to in the future and look forward to seeing you there. Here are a few we hope to see you at...

- Alzafar Shrine Annual Hospital Gala on October 7
- Alzafar Shrine Children's Halloween Party on October 28
- Alzafar Shrine Annual Charity Golf Tournament on November 1

Come see us at the Divan and Finance meeting. This month's meeting will be held on September 11, starting at 5:00pm for the Finance Meeting, followed by the Divan meeting. We invite you to see what YOUR Board of Directors is working for YOU, the Nobility of Alzafar Shrine.

Sincerely and fraternaly,
David A. Olivares



Hello Alzafar!!! How is everyone doing? I hope your summer was great and you were able to enjoy it. It was a crazy hot one, for sure. Hard to believe that we are already moving into September. This year has been moving so fast that only four more months are left. Speaking of four more months... that is how many more months we have to continue working on getting the Alzafar Treasurer on the



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

Unit and Club accounts. Can you believe I'm still working on that? It's been said at every stated meeting this year, and in almost every article I have written. It is imperative that we get this done sooner than later. As often said, it is to protect all your unit and club assets. If you are one of those units or clubs that have not put the Treasurer on your account, please let me help you comply with the bylaws of Shriners International.

I want to take this opportunity to thank you all, on behalf of my family, with the passing of my mother, Connie. The countless phone calls, voicemails, text messages, cards, emails, Facebook, and messenger messages were humbling. There are not enough thanks for the love, support, thoughts, and prayers. The heartfelt love you all showed us helped try and heal our hearts and get us through the rough



waters we faced during the first few weeks. A day hasn't gone by that I haven't thought about her or wanted to give her a call and see how she is doing or if she would answer the phone. I received the August edition of the Achbar before it was released, knowing I had missed the cutoff, as it was due right after her passing. I was blown away by what I read from Past Potentate Rick Reyes II and our current Potentate Rick Reyes III. These two men put together one heck of a memorial, and I can't thank them enough for the words and encouragement they put out there. As I write this, my eyes are tearing up and it's not because I'm sad but because I can feel their love for us. And the love you all have, also. Thank you.

I would like to share with you all a small piece of the Eulogy that I delivered at my mother's funeral. I feel

anyone that has lost someone can relate to the following. That was one of the hardest speeches I have ever given and believe me I have given a lot of them.

"I think we would all agree that we all wish once we have lost a loved one that we had one more opportunity. One more chance to call, one more chance to say I love you. One more chance to answer the phone and it's them on the other line. The other night my wife and I were talking, and she said what if you had one more day, what would you do? That is one of the hardest questions to answer. If you only had one more day, what would it be like? If you only had one more day, what would you do? If you only had one more day, what would you say? That is something that will leave you speechless because there is so many things that you could fill in the blank with. Diamond Rio said it best in the song "One More Day". If, you haven't heard it, it goes like this:

One more day, one more time
One more sunset, maybe I'd be satisfied
But then again, I know what it would do
Leave me wishing still for one more day with you
One more day

Thank you all for your continued support and trust in allowing me to serve you all on your Divan. Until we meet again, I hope you all stay safe and have a great year.

Robert M Norman II, PP.
Alzafar Treasurer 2023

Soon fall will be upon us, and plans for all the cooler weather events. There are Galas, Golf Tournaments, the Circus is back, and of course parades. Also, it's time to plan for next year. There is an Officers Call meeting on September 27th at 7:00pm to get input from our Units and Clubs' leaders and share the Shrines' continuing focus. Your Shrine has worked on improving communications with two weekly emails from the Potentate on Monday and Friday by WebFez. The Alzafar.org website has dramatically improved and is kept current as events are added. The Achbar has great articles but still needs more from all the Units and Clubs.



Noble Michael Barnes
Recorder of Alzafar Shriners

We still need more Shriners to use their WebFez account to update their personal information. Many letters mailed out get returned with the wrong

addresses because they moved. You can change your address very quickly yourself. If you need help, call Maria in the office, and she can help. This time of year is also when the membership dues can be paid. The easiest way to do it is through your WebFez site. It saves calling the office and paying over the phone or mailing a check.

If you load the MyFezCardViewer on your phone, it elim-

inates the need to have a membership card. Once you get your card, it is valid as long as your dues are paid. To save money, the yearly sticker is not mailed by Shriners International, but there are a few available in the office.

We are still looking for ways to improve our technology and cut costs. Any help or suggestions are always welcome.

Use WebFez to verify your personal information, payments and Shrine activity

How to Register for WebFez:

- Go to your browser's address bar and type in webfez.shrinenet.org
- Click the **Register** button on the Login page.
- From the Registration page, choose your Temple from the drop-down list and then type in your Shrine ID (found on your membership card) and your First and Last names.
- Click on the Register button. You will be directed to the Create a New Account page. On this page enter an E-mail address that you will use to log in with, confirm the E-mail address, and then enter and confirm your Password.

The image shows a registration form with the following fields and labels:

- Email: [input field]
- Confirm Email: [input field]
- Password: [input field]
- Confirm password: [input field]

Below the Password field, there is a note: (Passwords must be between 8 and 12 characters with at least one upper case and one lower case letter and at least one number.)

- Scroll down to read the WebFez User Agreement and Privacy policy. Agree by clicking the checkbox.
- After the checkbox is selected, click on Register. This will Register you for WebFez and log you into the system.

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How to Log in to WebFez:

Important: In order to log in to WebFez, you must first be registered. If you have not yet registered, please see the other side of this flyer for instructions.

You only need to register once.

To log in to WebFez please follow the steps below:

- Go to your browser's address bar and type in webfez.shrinenet.org
- Enter your login E-mail address and Password in the designated fields:

Email: [input field]

Password: [input field]

- Click Log in: **Log in**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Announcement of Vote on September 14, 2023, Stated Meeting

In accordance with Imperial Bylaws, Article 31, it is announced that there will be a vote on a resolution to revise the Alzafar Shrine Bylaws. The resolution was read, a motion was made and seconded and passed, at the August 10th, 2023, stated meeting, and was laid over until September 14, 2023. A copy of the proposed revised bylaws is available to review in the Alzafar Records office.

Alzafar Shrine Resolution for By Laws Change 2023

Whereas the last known bylaws approved by Shriner's International were from 2004;
Whereas the Bylaws changes submitted in 2022 were not approved by Shriner's International;
Whereas the Bylaws have been rewritten to conform with the bylaws of Shriner's International and;
Whereas the bylaws have been reviewed by the Temple attorney and will be sent to Shriner's International for approval; now, therefore be it

Resolved, That Alzafar Shriner's on behalf of its members

1. approves of the bylaws as written; and
2. supports sending the bylaws to Shriner's International for approval.

Changes are as follows:

1. 178 instances where Chapter is changed back to Temple (per Imperial)
2. The proposed amendments contain 41 references to "Imperial Council", "Imperial Bylaws", "Imperial Law" or "Imperial Law and Order". Those references are contrary to §1.1 of the Articles of Incorporation of Shriners Intl. and §101.3(o) of the Bylaws of Shriners Intl. These have all been addressed to comply with the Bylaws of Shriners International
3. Article 2 Membership, Section 2 Prerequisite to Membership (a) was changed to comply and mirror Bylaws of Shriner's International
4. Article 2 Membership, Section 4 Balloting was changed to comply and mirror Bylaws of Shriner's International
5. Article 2 Membership, Section 9. Retention of Membership (e) was removed (no imperial Bylaws exist that were referenced)
6. Article 2 Membership Section 10 Initiation fee (f) was changed to comply and mirror Bylaws of Shriner's International
7. Article 2 Membership, Section 11 Dues a,b,c,d,e, and f were changed to comply and mirror Bylaws of Shriner's International
8. Article 2 Membership, Section 12. Hospital Assessment was changed back to Hospital Levy per bylaws of Shriners International.
 - a. Also a,b,c, and d were changed to comply and mirror Bylaws of Shriner's International
9. Article 4 Officers, Section 5 Election Regulations a,b,c, and d were all changed to comply with and mirror Bylaws of Shriner's International
10. Article 4 Officers, Section 7. Vacancies was changed to comply and mirror Bylaws of Shriner's International
 - a. Filling Vacancies in Particular offices were changed in its entirety to comply and mirror Bylaws of Shriner's International
11. Article 4 Officers, Section 10 Potentate's Ordinances were changed to comply and mirror Bylaws of Shriner's International
12. Article 4 Officers, Section 14. Recorder's Duties (a) 9 -change from February and now reads "Before January 15 each year, transmit to the Imperial Recorder in the form prescribed, the annual returns for the temple" per Shriner's International Bylaws
13. Article 4 Officers, Section 18. Board of Directors (g) Changed to read Sale of Temple Assets. Any temple, or any of its affiliates, contemplating the sale, lease, exchange, mortgage, pledge or other disposition of all or substantially all of its property and assets, may only do so upon such terms and conditions and for such consideration as shall be first authorized by a vote of the temple at a stated or special meeting which sets forth in the notice of the meeting the specific nature of the business to be transacted. The notice of the meeting must be sent to every member of the temple at least 20 days prior to the meeting. Which now complies and mirrors Bylaws of Shriners International
14. Article 7 Prohibited Practices, Section 3 Use of name Shriners Hospital for Children was changed to comply and mirror Bylaws of Shriner's International
15. Article 7, Section 4 Solicitation of Funds changed to comply and mirror Bylaws of Shriner's International
16. Article 7, Section 6 Furnishing Names of Members (a) 3 changed to comply and mirror Bylaws of Shriner's International
17. Article 9, Section 4 Incorporation (a), 3, iv changed to comply and mirror Bylaws of Shriner's International

THE GREAT GADSDY GALA CHARITY EVENT

Fundraiser via Both Live & Silent Auctions

Saturday October 7, 2023

At the

San Antonio Shrine Auditorium



Tickets at Eventbrite



**Shriners Hospitals
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Alzafar Shriners*

Proceeds from this event benefit Shriners Hospitals for Children a 501c(3) charity
Payments are tax deductible to the extent provided by law



CANYON SPRINGS
GOLF CLUB

ALZAFAR SHRINERS

CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

DATE: NOVEMBER 1ST 2023

TIME: CHECK-IN AT 10:00 A.M.

**WHERE: CANYON SPRINGS GC
24405 WILDERNESS OAK
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS**

DRIVING RANGE AND PUTTING

PRACTICE AVAILABLE AT 10:00 A.M.

FORMAT: FOUR-MAN SCRAMBLE

SHOTGUN START AT 12:00 NOON

TEAM \$500.00 (4-MAN SCRAMBLE)

INDIVIDUAL \$150.00

GOLF, LUNCH AND DINNER, GREEN FEE, SCORING AND AWARDS CEREMONY, CART FEE, DRIVING RANGE, PRACTICE PUTTING, HOLE IN ONE GIVEAWAY. AND HAVE MORE FUN WITH A STRAIGHTEST DRIVE, AND CLOSEST TO THE PIN (TWO HOLES) COMPETITION.

SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION

EVERY DAY OF EVERY YEAR CHILDREN NEED URGENT MEDICAL CARE AT OUR SHRINERS HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN-TEXAS. NOW NAMED SHRINERS CHILDREN'S THIS EVENT IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN A CHILD'S LIFE. SHRINERS CHILDREN'S IS A 501C3 CHARITY PAYMENTS ARE TAX EXEMPT TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED BY LAW

TITANIUM SPONSOR \$10,000.00

TWO TEAMS (8 PLAYERS), RECOGNITION AT SHRINE AUDITORIUM DIGITAL 1604 SIGNAGE, RECOGNITION AT AWARDS DINNER, SIGNAGE AT REGISTRATION, SIGNAGE ON GOLF COURSE, NAME ON SPONSOR BANNER, APPRECIATION GIFTS FOR EACH GOLFER AND 8 ROUNDS OF GOLF.

PLATINUM SPONSOR \$5,000.00

ONE TEAM (4 PLAYERS), RECOGNITION AT SHRINE AUDITORIUM DIGITAL 1604 SIGNAGE, RECOGNITION AT AWARDS DINNER, SIGNAGE AT REGISTRATION, SIGNAGE ON GOLF COURSE, NAME ON SPONSOR BANNER AND 4 ROUNDS OF GOLF

GOLD SPONSOR \$2,000.00

ONE TEAM (4 PLAYERS) PLAYERS, RECOGNITION AT AWARDS DINNER, SIGNAGE AT REGISTRATION, SIGNAGE ON GOLF COURSE, NAME ON SPONSOR BANNER.

SIGN ONLY SPONSOR \$1,000.00

SIGNAGE ON GOLF COURSE, DURING EVENT, RECOGNITION ON SPONSOR BANNER, SPONSOR SETUP AT HOLE ON GOLF COURSE.

HOLE SPONSOR \$100.00

YOUR NAME OR COMPANY AT TEE BOX

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ALZAFAR SHRINE 901 N LOOP 1604 W ; SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78232-1040.

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE SHRINERS CHILDREN'S A 501C3 CHARITY



Nobles and Brothers,

Hello from the Texas Hill Country and the Hill Country Shrine Club. Yes, we are still out here. I fondly remember Alzafar Circus hosted in Kerrville, taking my kids when they were young; boy did they have fun. When Lady Debra and I discussed my becoming a Shriner, she reminded me of all the Shriners that came to our parades in Kerrville when we were young. I'm sure all of this was due to the hard work of the HCSC and Alzafar Shriners members. We need to get back to doing both events in Kerrville.

So, where are we today? We are working on getting back with fun, family oriented, friendly and fraternity-based events. This year we hosted Membership Mixer in the Spring, and it was a great success. Some would say we had 100-plus mixes of Nobles, Masons, and families in attendance. Great time had by all, but most importantly, by the time this article is printed, we have 4 new Alzafar Nobles because of this gathering. Hopefully, we will get them in HCSC.

HCSC is getting back to raising money for Alzafar philanthropy through a pistol raffle (see one of us for tickets). We are working on the fall Alzafar Parade schedule to see if we can get to as many parades as possible. Lastly, we raised funds for our Alzafar First Lady's mission in Mexico by purchasing a quilt square. We challenge all Clubs and Units to do the same.

I want to invite you to visit us for lunch in Kerrville. We meet on the 2nd Wednesday (we are dark in July and August) at the Inn of the Hills. Lunch at 11:30 am, then a meeting to follow.

We look forward to seeing you,

Tony Lenard
President HCSC 2023



By Tom Hirte
Secretary/Treasurer

Nobles and Ladies,

The Provost Guard Unit had its monthly meeting on August 2nd, 2023 with a good showing of members, ladies and one of our Divan. Steve White reminded us about the August Ceremonial. We had a delicious meal of a shrimp boil prepared by our unit chef, David Hadley.

We had the largest contingent of competitors in the Imperial shoot on the July 2nd in Charlotte, North Carolina. Marshal Dan Dailey will announce the results of our TSA and Imperial performances at the August Alzafar stated meeting.

On September 22nd and 23rd we will be hosting the Texas State Provost Guard Association Fall Invitational shoot here in San Antonio at the Blackhawk Range. Spectators are welcome and encouraged. The awards banquet will be held at Camp Alzafar so we can show off our wonderful facility.

Anyone interested in learning about our unit, bullseye pistol shooting and meeting like-minded Shriner's from around the Greatest State in the Union, come see us. We meet the 1st Wednesday of the month in the Director's Staff/Provost Guard room out back. Our meetings begin with a social time at 6:00pm, dinner at 6:30 pm and our meeting starting at 7:00 pm. Your Lady is ALWAYS welcome to attend.





This past weekend the Burning Sun traveled to Tyler for the TSMPA Obstacle competition. Making the trip was Russ Brown, James Stimson, Jessie Wallace and Doug Anderson, we were accompanied by our wonderful ladies, Ruby, Amanda and Mandy. The four riders ran the course flawlessly without any deductions. Russ Brown was crowned Fastest Man in our bracket.

Election of officers was held, and our very own Travis Elmendorf has moved up to the position of First Vice President of TSMPA and is in charge of the annual meeting and competition in 2024. We meet every 2nd Wednesday in room 5 or at the transportation building. Look for a cart to be available to test ride at the upcoming Ceremonial.

Doug Anderson



Greetings from the legendary Brews Brothers. 2023 has been a busy year, as every year is for us. We started off in January with our annual Winter Plunge up at camp. About a dozen of us jumped into the pool at Camp Alzafar and raised over \$9,000 for the Hospital Transportation Fund for our efforts. This year marks the first year we had ladies join us.

This spring we had our annual homebrew contest at Second Pitch Beer Co. This year the style was Double IPA. The winner has brewed his beer at the brewery and

when they put on tap and sell it, \$1 from every pint will be donated to the Hospital Transportation Fund. Next year the style will be Amber Ale.

We participated in TSA this year in 3 styles of beer and brought home 3 medals. James Vaughn wone 3rd in the Best Bitter category, Russ Brown won 2nd in Fruit Beer for his Mango Blonde Ale, and Hoagie Elmendorf won first in Czech Amber. This was Noble Hoagie's first competition.

If you are curious about the ancient art of brewing beer, drop by our table at any stated meeting, and try one of our brews while you are there. Cheers.



ALZAFAR SHOTGUN UNIT
AKA SMOKIN' CLAYS
By Secretary Bill Willis

Our final competition is behind us after a great showing at TSA. What a great year it's been for the Smokin' Clays. We have new members showing their shooting prowess, friends and family joining us at our fun shoots/practices, and having great turn-outs at our stated meetings. Now it's time to start thinking of polishing up our skills for our next competition which will be the TSSSA Mid-Winter shoot next March. It's also time to start looking for a member to step up and get in line as our 2nd Vice President to lead our unit into the future. We'll be voting for the 2024 leadership team at our October stated meeting, so, Shotgun Unit members, if you're interested in the 2nd Vice position, please submit your name to any of the current leadership.

We'll be shooting sporting clays at Mid-Winter so that's the discipline we'll be focusing on at our practices for the next several months. For those of you that are unfamiliar with sporting clays, I have a brief description of it below. It's great fun and by far my favorite game to shoot.

Sporting clays is a form of clay pigeon shooting often described as "golf with a shotgun" because a typical course is laid out in natural surroundings and typically include ten to fifteen shooting stations. Like golf, shooters move from one station to the next to complete the course. Unlike skeet and trap, however, which are games of repeatable target presentations, sporting clays simulates the unpredictability of live bird hunt-

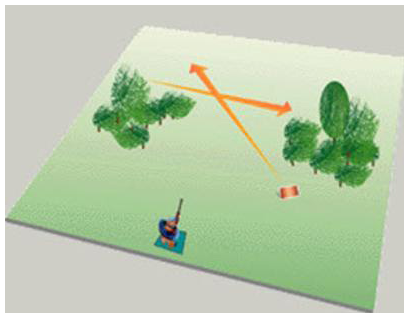
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ing, offering a wide variety of field shooting situations by presenting targets with various trajectories, angles, speeds, elevations and distances. To further challenge shooters, the size of the clay target may vary from the standard trap/skeet clay birds to the smaller “midi” and “mini” targets, or even a flat disc-shaped “battue” target. There are also “rabbit” targets which are thrown on the edge to roll and hop unpredictably across the ground to simulate rabbit hunting.

A typical round of sporting clays consists of shooting 8 to 10 targets at each station by a squad of up to five shooters for a total of 50 to 100 targets per person per round. Targets are normally thrown in pairs. A pair of targets may be thrown as a “true pair”, thrown at the same time, or as a “report pair”, thrown sequentially where the second clay target is launched when the shooter fires his gun at the first target.

Numerous hunting conditions can be simulated by combining various speeds and angles with different sizes of clay targets. Each station is unique. Throughout the course, shooters will typically



see targets crossing from either side, coming inward, going outward, flying straight up, rolling on the ground, arcing high in the air, or thrown from towers. The possible target presentations are limited only by the imagination of the course designer, safety considerations and the terrain. The configuration of the course and the target presentation at each station is often changed to maintain interest for the shooters and for environmental preservation of the course.

Well, I hope my explanation of sporting clays was clear as mud, or at least peaked your interest enough to come out and give it a try. We'd love to have you come out and join us for a morning of fun shooting, followed up by a tasty lunch cooked over the grill. Please contact any member of the Shotgun Unit for the date and location of our next fun shoot. Hope to see you there.

If you'd like to find out more about the Shotgun Unit, our stated meetings are held on the second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Shotgun Meeting Room. Ladies are always welcome. Be sure to come early as our Honorary Third Vice and Chief Chef, Noble David Hadley, always serves up a delicious meal around 6:30. Until then, “Keep your powder dry, and remember, as long as there is lead in the air, there is always hope!”



Even though it's a little warm, the Ruffians still get out and about. We enjoyed a ride from Camp Alzarfar around the Hill Country and ended up at Noble JT Mayor's for a BBQ he hosted along with his lady. That's what makes the group so awesome, fun and fellowship!

The Ruffians are looking forward to participating in the Ceremonial and hope we can pique the interest of some new Shriners (and older ones as well). Recently 2 more Nobles signed on with us, so we continue to grow.

We are kicking around ideas for a fall weekend ride to destinations yet to be decided. So if you have a wanderlust bug residing within you, come check us out and we will do our best to help you get that handled. Our meetings are the third Sunday at Camp Alzarfar in the Clubhouse or under the pavilion. Any vehicle is good with us, motorcycles of all shapes, sizes and makes, cars and trucks, too. It is all about fun, fellowship and family. We love family! Come check us out.

Steven Fisk, Vice-President



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NEMNUF CLOWNS



A Thin Layer of Paint!!!

I have heard this question many times, what makes a grown man place upon his face a thin layer of paint, a drawn-on smile, and a big red nose. It might sound a bit strange, but it is hard to explain that this thin layer of paint separates a man on one side from what he sees on the other. The man, on one side of this thin layer of paint, is just a man, an upstanding man, a man that has taken an oath to his faith in God, has dedicated himself to his family, has a deep commitment to his profession and all the while striving to better himself. What he sees on the other side of this thin layer of paint is a child, possibly twisted with orthopedic issues or burned beyond recognition by some random act, yet still an innocent child at heart.

He sees a child struggling through stages of recovery, trying to direct their attention to something other than their own issues. A man looks through this thin layer of paint and sees with amazement a child allowing themselves to smile, to dance, to be silly and carefree. These visions to me are glorious. To possibly change a child's life, just for a moment, is my answer as to why I might be willing to place upon my face this thin layer of paint.

But honestly this paint is my armor or my shield that protects me from my true feelings of wanting to break down and cry. To see a child in pain or suffering in any way can bring a grown man to his knees. Shriners strive every day to raise money and awareness to help these children in need. We strive to hopefully allow a child to be a child. It might sound a bit odd why a grown man might put upon his face a thin layer of paint, but ultimately it is just a man trying to be a better man.



Alzafar Honor Guard September Achbar article

It is September and as you read this, we are in the mist of getting ready to have a Circus and have some fun at the Joe Freeman coliseum. The Honor Guard is fired up to be doing our part again. I do hope everyone bought their Nobility Tickets; this is one way we can help in keeping the doors open to our Shrine building.

August was busy with the Ceremonial and the Honor Guard lunch get together at The Little Red Barn, all that attended had a great time and enjoyed seeing all together to include our ladies, plus great food, and libations.

I'm going to take one of the Potentate's ideas and put a spotlight on one of the honor Guard members:

He was born in Rhode Island, moved to Virginia and then to Key West Fl where he graduated high school. This was all due to being a Navy brat. He was in the Air Force from Sep 18, 1967 (as an aside this is the Air Force's Birthday) to May 31, 1992. He is a Retired Air Force Veteran, Dependent of a retired Air Force NCO, who is also his dependent. He has two tours in Southeast Asia and is married, he is a Gold Star Father. His son was in the senior service- Army and he was a King of Battle (Artillery for those that do not know Army terms).

One of his jobs in the Air Force was with DECA, responsible for all the commissaries in Europe- tough duty he had to travel, TDY of course, to all the various commissaries in all the different countries in NATO. But as he says someone had to do it so why not me.

He enjoys reading watching, and when he was younger playing baseball. His daughter is a music and sports trivia guru. When he speaks you must listen very carefully because he speaks so softly and then only when he has something to say or comment on.

He is a proud member of Army lodge 1105 where he has been the MC for several years, he is a past president of the Honor Guard, and past secretary of the Desert Knights. As stated, he is married, his wife and daughter are in the line in Nekodah Temple 44, Daughter's of the

Nile. A unique situation in that the daughter will be the Queen followed by her mother. This means he will be “King Fetch” for two consecutive years!

Who is this Noble? None other than our very own Jerry Hockman! One of the reasons I picked him is his Birthday is 30 Aug. plus he gives of his time, and energy for the Honor Guard and Shrine selflessly!

The Honor Guard is growing, we have picked up five new members in the last three months, one of them is a transfer from VA (these new Nobles are thanks to our VP Leo Bravo). If you would like to find out more about us or join, we meet the first Monday of the month in room 12, meeting starts at 1900 with libations from about 1800. Come out meet us and enjoy comradery and a libation.



Do you know what's blue and white and comes from heaven? Ah, a wee angelic smurf falling from the sky. Is that what ya say laddie? If so, then you're either an Eejit or you've had a Swally one too many and now you're a steamin. Well put down your whisky for a time and let me tell you about what is believed to be the oldest flag in the world, the blue and white Scottish saltire from heaven.

Legend has it that this old soul first made a showin and a blowin as early as the ninth century. The Scottish flag has a background as blue as the sky above with a pure saltire cross laid upon it. This cross belonged to Scotland's patron saint, St Andrew. Crucified by the Romans in 60 AD, Andrew, one of the apostles of Christ stated that he was not worthy to die in the same manner as his messiah. Being ever so caring and accommodating as the Romans always were, they then happily crucified him sideways on an X-shaped cross. As history would thus avail and time would have it, the patron saint and the Saltire flag were both chosen to be representatives of Scotland at the same time.

The story is set in 832 AD in one of the earliest battles between the English lion and the Scottish unicorn. The English king that year was King Athelstan and he was about to go toe to toe with the Pictish king, King Angus. At the time the Scots were known as the Pictish, as Scotland was not quite Scotland yet. On the eve of said battle Angus bent the knee and offered a prayer. The next morn-

ing as he looked into the heavens he clearly saw St Andrew's cross in the white clouds against the blue sky. He vowed to St Andrew in that moment that should he and his people be victorious in the coming battle he



would decree Andrew, Scotland's patron saint. Of course Angus and the Pictish won the day. Many moons later King Kenneth Mac Alpin would unite the Picts and the Albannachh/Scots into one people which would be known as the Scottish. He would then make good on old Angus's bargain with the saint and officially adopt St Andrew as the Patron saint and his Saltire cross upon a sky blue background as Scotland's national flag.

If you thought that was a great story, come join us for more. The Shiner's Highlanders meet every Wednesday at 6:30 pm. We practice our pipes, share a dram, make some friends and learn a little more about Scotland. For a tiny country she has a fascinating place in history and I believe there's just a little bit of Scottish in everyone. Alright, I'll stop my bletherin fore you get scunnered.

Russell Ross, Scribe



The Shrine Ceremonial stands as a timeless tradition that harkens back to our origins. Over the course of years, the Ceremonial has undergone transformations in its presentation, yet its essence and significance remain unwavering. As the late summer sun casts its golden glow, the Alzafar High Priest & Prophet assumes the pivotal role of orchestrating the agenda and crafting the backdrop for an unforgettable experience that awaits the newly inducted Shriners, marking the culmination of their year-long journey. This year's occasion promises to uphold this legacy.

The day commences in the mid-morning hours with a gracious gesture from our esteemed ladies – “Dishes with Divas,” a luncheon event that brings together the newly initiated Shriners and their respective partners. Beyond its delightful culinary allure, this gathering serves as a philanthropic endeavor, aiming to raise funds for the noble cause of Shriners Children's. With the clock

striking 10:30 AM on a Saturday morning at the Shrine, the event commences. A heartfelt invitation extends to all Shriners' partners to partake, urging them to connect with the Shrine office for enrollment details. Every lady is encouraged to join in this cherished occasion, embracing the chance to relish a meal and camaraderie among fellow Shriners' companions.

The official inauguration of the Ceremonial marks its inception at 1 PM, as all the candidates assemble in our office, filled with a sense of anticipation. Subsequently, they're led to the band room to await the next sequence of instructions. At 2 PM, within the Parlors' hallowed space, the inaugural segment of the Ceremonial unfurls—a ritualistic presentation, reverently tailored for each noble soul. This part of the event extends an open invitation to families, inviting them to witness and share in this transformative moment. As 3 PM approaches, the initial segment concludes, guiding families to the conference/Cabiri room, where they engage in a concise dialogue that illuminates the essence of our purpose and the "why" behind our endeavors.

Following these moments of reflection, the scene shifts to the Ballroom, where the new Nobles congregate, ready to engage with the diverse units and clubs within the Alzafar Shriners. These interactions lay the cornerstone for their forthcoming engagement with the breadth of enjoyment that our organization offers. As the sun begins its descent, the evening's festivities commence at 5 PM with the "Arch Degree" ceremony, an occasion that affords each Shriner the opportunity to be "Fezzed" by their loved ones, if they so desire. Throughout the ensuing hours, a jubilant blend of gastronomy, dance, and merriment takes center stage. The only request made of those attending is to extend the courtesy of an RSVP by reaching out to our offices at 210-496-1625.

In the pages of 2023's calendar, the event is etched for Saturday, August 19th, aligning itself with the impending release of our Achbar publication set for September. Despite these temporal considerations, our unwavering confidence in the prowess of our High Priest and Prophet, Steve White, and his lady Hilde, remains steadfast. Their tireless efforts in preparing for your entrance into our exceptional fraternity have been nothing short of commendable. A resounding welcome resounds to each individual, as they step into the remarkable embrace of the world-renowned "Alzafar Shriners," an organization that beckons with open arms.



Alzafar Seniors



ALZAFAR SHRINE SENIORS

By: Daniel Coburn, Secretary

The Alzafar Senior's monthly meeting was held at noon in the Roustabouts room on August 3rd with fourteen members and guests attending. Ralph Mcleod provided lunch sandwiches and salad with dessert by Daniel Coburn.

This month's speaker was Sichan Siv who escaped life under the Khmer Rouge in Cambodia to begin life anew as a refugee in Connecticut. From those humble beginnings Sichan studied hard and rose to become a leader in various government, civilian, and church organizations including being Ambassador to the United Nations and serving as Deputy Assistant to President George H.W.



Bush and Deputy Assistant Secretary at the Department of State. Ambassador Siv stays active with church groups and serving on the Texas State Board of Criminal Justice as appointed by Governor Abbott.

The Senior's Unit meets at noon on the first Thursday of every month in the Shrine Roustabouts Room. All Senior Shriners and their Ladies are welcome to join us for lunch, dessert, and stimulating conversation. Shriners younger than sixty can become honorary members and those one hundred or older eat for free. Our next meeting will be on September 7th. 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 dycoburn@gmail.com.

CAMP CLOSING FALL FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND

- 10am-11am KIDS PARTY UNDER THE PAVILION.
- 11am-1pm HOT DOGS AND CHIPS WILL BE SERVED.
- 11am-1pm FAMILY SCAVENGER HUNT AT THE PAVILION (SPONSORED BY THE RUFFIANS).
- 1pm CORN HOLE TOURNAMENT AT THE PAVILION. \$20 ENTRY PER TEAM- DOUBLE ELIMINATION. TROPHIES FOR 1ST-3RD. WINNERS TAKE 1/2 THE POT.
- TBD- CLOWN UNIT SKIT FOR THE KIDS, UNDER THE PAVILION, AFTER THE PARADE.
- 5pm- 6:30pm POTENTATE'S HAPPY HOUR.
- LIVE MUSIC PROVIDED BY THE STD'S BAND.
- 7pm FRIED FISH DINNER, HUSH PUPPIES, COLESLAW AT \$12 A PLATE.
- BOOZE BASKET AND CAMP BASKET RAFFLE. \$5 A TICKET OR 5 FOR \$20.
- CAMP ALZAFAR T-SHIRTS FOR SALE. \$20 FOR KIDS AND \$25 FOR ADULTS.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3RD

- 10am CHURCH SERVICE. SERMON PROVIDED BY CHIEF RABBAN, MARCO ZUNIGA.
- 11am Men's Camp Association meeting.



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**ALZAFAR MOTOR CLUB
AMC Secretary, Steven Fisk**

You know it's hot when your DQ Blizzard falls out of the cup when you turn it upside down. The Motor Club is running our air conditioners full blast and mostly while at home and inside. We have had a quiet summer as far as activities go.

Our August meeting was really just a dinner night out with our ladies and Sweethearts of the club. An enjoyable meal at the Pompeii Italian Grill allowed us to visit and relax with each other while dining on some great food. The beauty of this was that none of us had to cook or clean up that night. We know our ladies appreciate being treated to a night out also.

At the August Stated meeting for the Shrine the Motor Club was able to present a check for the Hospital Transportation Fund from the last car show. Preparations are underway for the Fall Car Show. That will be on September 30 and we invite you to come out and either show your stuff (as in your vehicle) or just wander among the many cool cars that will be displayed.

Driver openings are always on going with us and you are invited to check us out. We meet the third Tuesday of each month in Room 9 at 7:00 pm.



**Alzafar Shrine Desert Knights
By: Jerry Granato**

Greetings from the Desert Knights! Our group was glad to resume our regular meetings after the dark month of June. Our meeting was brief, but we all enjoyed a lovely meal prepared by our ladies. This year is quickly passing by and the holidays will be upon us before we know it. We are planning another group Holiday Christmas party this year in December.

Our group will be participating in the Shrine Ceremonial and hope to gain some new members.

We're still experiencing triple digit temperatures, so

please remember to stay hydrated. Look in often on your family, neighbors and especially any elderly folks in your community.

The Desert Knights 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 some fellowship and a delicious meal provided by our Damsels.

Happy Birthday wishes to Sandy Fox, Cindy Garza and Ron Trine

You could win \$200 by just showing up to Our Next Meeting

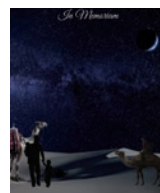
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If you Know Noble Richard Gutierrez Tell him, that his Name was Called!

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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

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During our August Stated Meeting, a truly special moment unfolded as our Illustrious Potentate had the honor of bestowing a well-deserved recognition upon a distinguished figure, former Potentate and Illustrious Sir Bob Jett. This time, the spotlight was on him as he was presented with the esteemed title of Shriner of the Month.

The significance of this title goes beyond its mere label; it's a badge of honor earned through actions that exemplify the spirit of selflessness and unwavering commitment to our beloved Alzafar. While every recipient of this accolade has their own unique story, Bob's rise to the forefront was distinguished by his exceptional contributions throughout the preceding months.

In a time of need, when the loss of our long-time bookkeeper left our financial records in disarray, Bob emerged as a true savior. His selfless dedication was nothing short of remarkable. Through meticulous efforts, he meticulously restructured our accounts, aligning them with the principles of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and those advocated by the Imperial Council. In doing so, he not only brought financial clarity but also saved our Shrine potentially thousands, if not tens of thousands, of dollars.

Bob's devotion to our Shrine has been nothing short of inspiring throughout this Shrine Year. His steadfast commitment has been felt in every corner of our organization. It's a dedication that has roots dating back decades, as he demonstrated by paying his dues and even serving as our Potentate back in 1992. What's truly heartening is that even after thirty years, his genuine nature and unwavering loyalty to the Shrine shine brighter than ever.

For all that Bob has done, and continues to do, we can't express our gratitude enough. If you happen to cross paths with Bob in the bustling halls of Alzafar or catch him in lively conversations, take a moment to extend your thanks. His actions remind us that the true essence of the Shrine lies in the dedication of individuals like Bob Jett, who epitomize the values we hold dear.

Have a safe Labor Day weekend – hope you get to enjoy it with your family and friends.

The members of Nekodah Temple send Best wishes to Alzafar for a successful circus.

September 19, 2023, 10:00am – 1:00pm Sewing room – Alzafar Shrine parlors
Chair – PQ Peggy Songer 210-771-0098 and Co-Chair PQ Margie Flores 210-213-1853
September 26, 2023, 6:30pm-9:00pm Bingo in the Alzafar Shrine parlors. \$10 per person and an appetizer
Event Chair – Pr Tirzah Gerianne Hockman Cell- 210 373-3898

Friendly Reminder, if you haven't paid your 2023-2024 (\$52) dues you may send them to Pr Recorder Diana Thomas, her contact information is in the Roster. Help us keep the household roster up to date. If you have new contact information such as mailing or email address or phone you may send it to the Nekodah group account: nekodahtempleno44@gmail.com.

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

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

We are Nekodah Strong

Editor's Note:

When I opened the Achbar Gmail Account this month, I found that no one had sent in an article. Curious, to say the least. Our IT Guru, Noble Luis Cardenas, is investigating, and as of the print date, he hasn't ascertained the reason. Hence, I must apologize to any units or friends that didn't make it into the September issue of the Achbar. I promise I will make it up to you in a future issue; ask, and it shall be done.



Here are the requirements for the Achbar Editor and how items are set in order. First is the descending order to the divan subject to the order of the Potentate. Ads follow with events sponsored by Alzafar and its Divan members are created and placed first, then the Alzafar Units and their request for Ads and ad space. I only have 4 more issues that will be my effort going back to 2006 when I began this evolution in print. All ads must meet the requirements of Imperial, Alzafar, and the level of ad quality the issue deserves.



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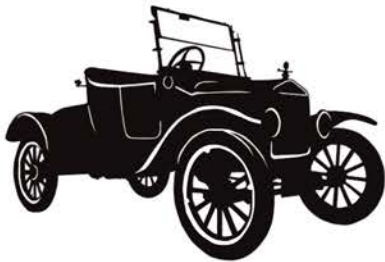
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ALZAFAR UNIT MEETING SCHEDULE

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

SHRINE CLUB MEETINGS

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

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS MEETINGS

ANCHOR MASONIC LODGE	1 st +3 rd Thursday	7:00P.M.	Alzafar rear
CIBOLO MASONIC LODGE	4 th Monday	7:00 P.M.	Alzafar rear
VICTORY MASONIC LDG.	2 nd + 4 th Tuesday	7:00 P.M.	Alzafar rear
DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE	2 nd Thursday	7:30 P.M.	Parlors
LADIES OF THE SHRINE	1 st Thursday	7:00 P.M.	Parlors



**FORMER POTENTATES OF
ALZAFAR SHRINERS**

1916 Frank R. Newton Sr*	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)

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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:

2023 Master Calendar

Sep 2nd-3rd	Camp Alzafar Closing - Labor Day Event	All day Camp Alzafar
Sep 2nd	Kendall County Fair Parade	8:00 AM-10:00 AM Boerne
Sep 7th-10th	Alzafar Shrine Circus	All day Freeman Coliseum
Sep 10th	Achbar articles due to Editor	alzafarshrineachbar@gmail.com
Sep 11th	Divan & Finance meeting	5:00 PM-7:30 PM Conf. Rm.
Sep 14th	Shrine Stated meeting	7:00 PM-9:30 PM SASA
Sep 27th	Officers Call	7:00 PM-8:00 PM Conf. Rm.
Sep 30th	Fall Car Show	9:00 AM-4:00 PM
Oct 7th	Shrine Gala - Roaring 20's	5 PM SASA Ballroom
Oct 9th	Divan & Finance meeting	5:00 PM-7:30 PM Conf. Rm
Oct 10th	Achbar articles due to Editor	alzafarshrineachbar@gmail.com
Oct 12th	Shrine Stated meeting	7:00 PM-9:30 PM SASAat
Oct 14th	Masonic Picnic and Chili Cookoff	All day Camp Alzafar
Oct 28th	Shrine Childrens Halloween Party	2:00 PM-5:00 PM Pavilion
Oct 31st	Unit & Club Elections due	All day
Nov 1st	Alzafar Shrine Charity Golf Tournament	Canyon Spngs GC 12:30 T-off
Nov 6th	Divan & Finance meeting	5:00 PM-7:30 PM Conf. Rm
Nov 8th-12th	Mission in Motion Trip	Mexico City Hospital
Nov 9th	Shrine Stated meeting	7:00 PM-9:30 PM SASA
Nov 10th	Achbar articles due to Editor	alzafarshrineachbar@gmail.com
Nov 11th	Veteran's Day Parade (Ladies & Family)	10:00 AM-12:00 PM SAT
Nov 17th	Shrine Employee Thanksgiving Luncheon	11:00 AM-1:00 PM Parlors
Nov 18th	Alamo Heights Night Parade	3:30 PM-5:30 PM Alamo Hts
Nov 19th	Shrine Memorial Service	2:00 PM-4:00 PM Terrace Rm
Nov 24th	Toy Drive Car Show	6:00 AM-4:00 PM
Nov 25th	Christmas in Comfort Parade	5:00 PM-7:00 PM
Nov 29th	Officers Call	7:00 PM-8:00 PM SASA