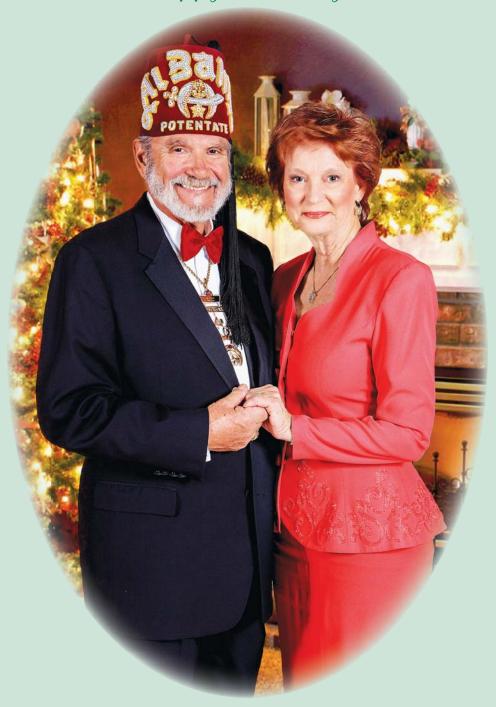




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Office Is Closed Christmas, December 25-26
& New Years, January 1-2, 2015

Upcoming Shrine Center Public Events

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Potentate's Message



This is my last communications for the 2014 year, Thank you for a wonderful year of Fun and Frolic. We did some good things this year, planted a lot of seeds, that if flourishes, will greatly assist Al Bahr in

the future. We dealt with some significant challenges which could have only been overcome with the help of you and the Board of Directors.

My heartfelt thanks goes to my Executive Aide Peter Krickhuhn (and Connie) who not

only kept us on track but was the predominate leader in our efforts to meet the Forestry's requirement for the cleanup of Al Bahr's Mt. Laguna camp site. Your significant effort and time commitment is deeply appreciated.

Speaking of Mt. Laguna, we owe a debt of gratitude to Dave Pirie for his outstanding leadership in the coordination and execution of those challenges that faced Al Bahr as a result of the Fire. The juggling of the attorneys, insurances, Forestry, contractors and the communication of the information, as it was available, was exemplary and reminiscent of a General fighting on 5 fronts at once. Well done Noble Pirie. He is the right man for the right time.

Thanks to Bill Romer (and Carolyn) for their outstanding job as my Chief Personal Aide and their team of aides who were right there at every event to help as was needed.

I would like to mention my gratitude to Dave Terry and Bob Lakosil and their Ladies for a memorable and outstanding Nobility Ball. Absolutely the best I've seen. Another job well done was by my Purveyor, Bob Lackie, thanks for the great treats in the Potentates office.

Sincere thanks to our Past Potentates for their caring and input to the success of Al Bahr. Our Past Potentates are a great resource toward the success or failure of Al Bahr. They have been there and dealt with many things that can change the direction of our future. The involvement and interest of every Noble is needed for us to continue the evolution of Al Bahr into that strong and healthy Temple for our legacy, the Children and our future Nobles.

Thanks to our office staff and their efforts to keep things humming along and keeping us out of too much trouble.

A special thanks to the Board of Advisors who worked diligently to make sure our building was safe and well cared for so all of us could enjoy this magnificent structure.

But most of all, thanks to all of you for the support of Al Bahr and our efforts to provide an environment that Children and their families can benefit by a more normal life through our efforts.

The future of Al Bahr is in good hands and it is a necessity, as in any organization, that the stock holder, the Nobility, stay vigilant and provide input for the successful development of our great fraternity. Attend our Stated Meetings, listen to the proceedings, question if the purpose and intent is not clear. You are what will make this a viable and successful organization. The Board of Directors, the office staff and the Recorder are there to fulfill you expectation. They can't if you don't participate, stay involved and be heard

My Love, thanks and appreciation goes out to my wife, partner and sole mate Sandra whose tireless effort has made it possible for my endeavors to succeed. I am the luckiest man in the world.

Thank you all

Sincerely and Fraternally George Geanoulis Potentate 2014



Hey, It's Time to Pay Up! 2015 Dues January 1





Chaplain's Message

Wow! December already! What a year it has been! I am sure many will be saying the same thing albeit from different points of view. I pray that his year has been a good and blessed one for you and that any trials you've been asked to go through have made you stronger and better.

Last month, we, the citizens of these United States, were asked to vote for new leadership at the midterm elections. These elections were hotly contested affairs but in the end we, the people, were able to speak and tell the government what kind of leadership we wanted. Good or bad? We must now hope and pray that we have done the right thing in electing these people. This month, we, the nobles of Al Bahr Shrine, are also going to the polls to elect our leadership for the upcoming Shrine year. We have the same capacity and yes, the same responsibility, to vote in the type of leadership we want for Al Bahr Shrine. We want our leaders to have the correct vision and proper outlook on how to get Al Bahr to the next level of growth in whatever area that is needed. We want leaders who know the history of Al Bahr, who understand the present condition of Al Bahr, and then grasp the potential of Al Bahr and conceive a plan for action that will maximize that potential. T.E. Lawrence once said, "All men dream; but not equally. Those who dream by night in the dusty recesses of their minds awake to the day to find it was all vanity. But the dreamers of the day are dangerous men. for they may act out their dreams with open eyes, to make it possible." There are many important dates in December but we should be looking at December 11th as one of those important dates. This is Al Bahr's Election Day!

Furthermore, you shall select out of all the people, able men who fear God, men of truth, those who hate dishonest gain; and you shall place these over them as leaders of thousands, of hundreds, of fifties and of tens. Exodus 18:21.

May God's blessings be with you during this holiday season! JoJo Quimpo, Chaplain

Peace Officers HELLO NOBLES AND LADIES,

Since this is the last newsletter of 2014, I want to wish all Nobles, their Ladies and their families a HEALTHY & HAPPY holiday season from my lady and myself and the members of the Peace Officers Club. To all of our club members, a reminder to call Bob Mars to make reservations for our annual Christmas Dinner on Wednesday, December 10, 2014 at Case de Pico Restaurant in La Mesa.

Fraternally,

Stan Kottle, President

(619) 840-5839 • skottlelaw@hotmail.com

In Memoriam A A A A A A

NAME	BORN	CREATED A Shriner	ENTERED INTO REST
Hannum, Art	10/1/1930	6/12/1965	10/15/2014
Stavros, Christos	7/7/1924	12/5/1970	10/18/2014
Bush, Earl	8/18/1931	1/22/2013	10/15/2014
Dean, James	4/26/1929	12/9/1978	10/23/2014
Gregory, John	3/19/1937	11/30/2007	10/25/2014
*** Member of Widow	& Orphans Fund		

A memorial contribution to the Shrine Hospital Transportation Fund has been made in memory of our member listed above.

NATE KIRSHER SOMMITTEE

Sunshine Committee Report

In consideration of recently enacted Federal regulations, we are unable to provide full information on our ill and indisposed members. Please keep these nobles in your prayers. Should you wish to contact one of these members, please call the office for further information.

Alvarez, Chico	Drummond, Gordon	Jones, Ray	Rash, Ronald
Bayle, Rodolfo	Dudley, Kenneth	Kellett, Alan	Shepard, Gene
Bechtel, Richard	Gentle, Ken (PP)	Kohler, Warren	Silverman, Sidney
Benson, James	Gillard, Gene	Latham, Ernest	Smith, Sidney R.
Bergstrom, Duane	Hadaway, Fred	Lipa, Joseph	Taylor, George
Callier, William	Hart, Richard	Markson, Richard	Thorpe, Lewis
Childress, Clyde	Hollingshead, Arvin	Mathews, John L.	Trapp, Ronald
Condon, Howard	Houston, Bill	McGrath, Jim	Wilson, Joseph
Crouse, Ray	Huszar, Skip	Plastik, Herb	Young, Wayne
Cunningham, Charles	Johnson, Johnny	Rafferty, Alexander	
Dewar, Bob	Johnston, Doug	Ramos, Roy B.	

Clowns

ATTENTION!! ATTENTION!! We need HELP!!! Going to the Brawley Cattle Call, the Clown Unit's Calliope suffered a major mishap. We think that it may have blown a rod resulting in a cracked engine block. At this time we are not real sure what the situation is, except it is bad. We need help. The calliope we have today is pretty old. Four years ago we installed a rebuilt engine and rebuilt the transmission; however the chassis is still from a 1974 bread truck. We can try to repair and make the calliope work, but it may just be a futile exercise. We would really like to get a new calliope. If we could obtain a basic small truck chassis we could make it look like the old calliope but run much better. If anyone can donate a chassis, the money for a chassis, or knows where we can get a chassis for a greatly reduced price please contact any member of the clown unit. Thank you for your help and consideration.

Duper Da Clown

President of the Al Bahr Clown Unit

Shriners Hospitals for Children and Donations from our Members and Friends

Shrine Hospital Transportation Fund Donations

Colleen S. Schultz
Peace Officers Shine Club
Richard Hart
Rancho Bernardo Shine Club
Director's Staff

In Honor of Donna Shiepe and Foster Hamilton Real Estate:

Gene Yee

In Memory of Robert Winterton Sr.:
Connie & Ken Gentle, PP
Past Masters Shine Club

Lina & Chuck Andrade

In Memory of Chuck Edmondson: Lina & Chuck Andrade

In Memory of Art Hannum:

Past Masters Shine Club Ann & Olen Woods, PP In Memory of John Gregory: Lina & Chuck Andrade Past Masters Shine Club

In Memory of Margaret Short

Ann & Olen Woods, PP Heath & Norman Rentle, PP Kenneth Short, PP Senior Volunteer Patrol City of Carlsbad

Shriners Hospital for Children Donations

In Memory of Bob Winterton Sr.:

Paul and Patricia Hodiak

Thursday, December 11, 2014 Stated Meeting with Election

lobles Only

Social 5:30 PM • Dinner 6:00 PM \$15 per noble, reservations required, 858 292 0092. No tickets sold at the door. Stated Meeting with Election 7:00 PM

Be it known that a regular Stated Meeting with Election of Al Bahr Shrine will be held on Thursday, December 11, 2014 at 5440 Kearny Mesa Road, San Diego. The Stated Meeting with Election meeting will begin at 7:00 PM and a 2014 dues card is required for admission.

Officers to be elected: Potentate, Chief Rabban, Assistant Rabban, High Priest and Prophet, Oriental Guide, Treasurer, Recorder, 4 representatives to Shriners International, 2 members to the board of advisors for a 3 year term. **Electioneering:** A candidate for an elected office in a Shrine temple may print, publish and circulate during the year he is seeking the elected office, a resume consisting of his educational background, vocational history, and his Masonic and Shrine record. Except as provided in the prior sentence, the printing, publication, circulating or distribution of resolutions, letters, telegrams, tickets, email, or other devices, by a Noble, or a group of nobles suggesting, recommending, opposing or containing the names of proposed candidates for office in the Temple is prohibited. The expenditure of money for gifts, favors or entertainment on behalf of a candidate for elected office is prohibited.

For any violation of the above, the Imperial Potentate may suspend any offending Noble and he may declare the election of the officers void and order a new election.

At least one week prior to the annual meeting or any election meeting the Temple recorder shall mail a notice thereof containing this section.

Fraternally, Attest:
George Geanoulis, Arnold Korey,
Potentate Recorder

Samaritan Drivers

Through October the Shrine patient hospital transportation activity continues to be outstanding.

There have been 219 van trips to Los Angeles with more than 900 van patients being transported and 55,000 miles having been driven.

Our shrine volunteers have accumulated nearly 6,000 hours of service and we thank all of them for their dedication.

We are making a plea in that we need more drivers and assistants to help with this worthy cause. There have been a total 106 drivers over the last 10 months and we could certainly use a few more to help lighten the load. It would not have to be often, maybe just a couple of times a month if your schedule allows. We do want to tell patients we cannot transport them because we do not have enough drivers.

Please contact the office if you are interested in helping out. *Bob Mars, Transportation Chairman.*



Red Fez Lounge Hours for November



Monday, December 1 Friday, December 5 Monday, December 8 Thursday, December 11 Friday, December 12 Monday, December 15 Friday, December 19 Monday, December 22 Monday, December 29 Wednesday, December 31

RADOPS

NO HAM LICENSE?

By the time you read this, RADOPS will have demonstrated another interesting facet to ham radio. The Federal Communication Commission will license a one day special call sign for the promotion of any well qualified organization and institution. Hams collect and often frame the certificates they are issued for making contact with these special groups, much like the collection of valuable numismatics and stamps. In recognition of the 143rd birthday of the National Rifle Association, the FCC has licensed the call sign K7NRA to operate on November 17, 2014 from Gunsight Academy's 2,000-acre campus north of Prescott, Arizona. http://www.gunsite.com/main/

A ubique NRA/Gunsight certificate will be sent to those ham stations contacted during the event. As well as RADOP's member's individual home stations, the worldwide RADOP's Al Bahr Shrine station, K6ABR, will be available to any RADOP member to participate in this unique event.

Visit your Shrine station K6ABR and museum for a chance to see what being a Ham has to offer. We're there every Thursday, from 11 AM to 1 PM, during the Director's Staff Cheeseburger Barbecue next door to the station. Yum!

If you're a Noble, or a family member of a Noble, and would like to become a Ham, please contact us. A multiple choice test, no Morse code, administered by friendly, local hams, allows the FCC to issue you your own unique in all the world station license and call letters.

We're under "Clubs" at the Al Bahr Shrine web site: www.albahrshrine.org 73's (best wishes) and Happy Holidays! Robin Armour - N6HHM, RADOPS Secretary (619) 253-7800

Daughters of the Nile Mecca Temple No 34

The activities for the month of December will be:

- Dec. 2 The Patrol will meet at the Unity Lodge at 10:30 a.m.
- Dec. 3 Dancers & Pageantry will meet at the Unity Lodge at 1:00
- Dec. 8 San Diego Sewing will meet at the Unity Lodge at 10:00 a.m. The Chorus will meet at that time also.
- Dec. 10 North County Sewing will meet at the Oceanside Lodge at 10:00 a.m.
- Dec. 15 THERE WILL BE NO LUNCHEON AT THIS TIME. December Session will start at 2:00 p.m. followed by Dinner With our Nobles & Guests. Social will start at 4:30 with Dinner at 5:45 p.m. The cost will be \$23.00 per person, Checks made out to Mecca Temple No. 34. Choice of Prime Rib or Salmon. Send reservations to Pr. Recorder Donna Dedrick, 3129 Calle Abajo, Sp 112 San Diego,CA 92139-3549. (619) 267-7840

More information will be coming. RUBY NYBERG, (858) 292-1885



Drum & Bugle Corp.

Hello Nobles and Ladies. December, yes I said December (who can believe it) is here, and may you all celebrate your very own Holiday of Choice: Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, Happy Kwanzaa, Festivus for Some of the Rest of Us, and/or Happy Holidays if You so Prefer. What is important is that we remember the true gift is the gift of giving. As we are all a part of the Masonic Family, we share the common beliefs of Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth. May you maintain your faith in the Supreme Architect of the Universe, and may the blessings of Heaven be upon you and your family – always.

By the time you read this, the Mother Goose Parade will have already been history. I write this with the positive anticipation that we had a successful parade and we all returned safely to parade another day. More to follow in January's article.

Like I always say, "This is how we roll." We play our music, we have a good time, and we are blessed to -be able to share this music with others. If you enjoy listening to music, come let us show you how to make music. If you can tap your foot to a tune, or hum along with the music, then you have the potential to play one of our instruments. Come roll along with us. We're not a marching band, but we know how to look good and sound great sitting on our D&B Corps float, while parading down the street.

Bill Stokes, 2014 Vice President

Cell: 619-922-5668

Al Bahr Shrine Annual Meeting & Dinner FRIDAY, JANUARY 9, 2015

SOCIAL 5:15 • DINNER 6:15 • ANNUAL MEETING 7:45 \$20 PER PERSON FOR THE DINNER ADVANCED RESERVATIONS REQUIRED BY JANUARY 7TH NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOOR.

Be it known that the annual meeting of Al Bahr Shrine will be held on Friday January 9, 2015 at the Shrine Center, 5440 Kearny Mesa Road, San Diego and commencing at 7:45 PM. Business to be conducted will be reception of committee reports, petitions for membership, installation of the 2015 divan, Unit and Club officers and such other business as may be received. A 2015 dues card is required for admission.

Fraternally

Attest:

George Geanoulis, Potentate

Arnold Korey, PP, Recorder

In accordance with the bylaws of Shriners International, the proposed operating budget for 2015 will be available for review as of January 2, 2015

Rancho Bernardo Shrine Club

Happy Holidays to all from the Shrine Club of Rancho Bernardo! Another year is coming to an end, and I must recognize all who really made this year so successful: Noble Paul Whitten, Noble Phil Johnson, Noble Stu Morepeth, Noble Richard VanOvermeiren, Noble Gordon Drummond, and Noble Jim Crawford. Without them our functions simply would not have happened. Thanks also to all who pitched in to make our meetings be more enjoyable (we're talking Camel's Milk and individual name tags for the table... helpful on more than one occasion to help me remember where I was seated (!)). As I write this we are looking forward to our annual Holiday Dinner Dance that will be a huge success thanks to Noble Jim and Lady Shirley. Thanks especially to my Lady Lisa for all her help with the opportunity drawing tickets and the really great idea for the Chief Rabban Fundraiser...those little sorbets were a bit hit! Last but certainly not least, thanks to all the Nobles and their Ladies for your participation in our club and events. I am always uplifted when we get together and I appreciate each and every one of you. Our election meeting is on Thursday 4 December at 1130 at Coco's in Rancho Bernardo. All members are encouraged to attend to vote on our officers for 2015. It has been an honor to serve as your President this year. Thanks to you our club is one of the shining lights of Al Bahr Shrine!

Fraternally, Mark Suycott, President

Message from the First Lady:

My dear Al Bahr Ladies!

It is now time for me to say good bye and turn the care of our most valuable asset, YOU, over to our incoming First Lady of Al Bahr, Liza Pirie. I have had a grand time all year and feel like we did a few new and enjoyable things together.

It all began with the Ladies beauty session before the Ball. We were gorgeous and all thanks to Rachel Wendt and her team. Our Shawl Dawls fashion show and sale was lively and fun and we raised almost \$170 for my project. Our Sadie Hawkins Bachelorette Game was pretty hysterical and John Harris will never live down his affinity for sheep. Those of you who paraded with us I hope you enjoyed the opportunity Imperial gave us to include ladies in the fun. The calliope and Director's float were loaded with Ladies and Nobles.

The highlight of my year was, of course, the Ladies Luncheon. It was all I could have hoped for and Liza and her committee out did themselves. Thank you to all who attended and enjoyed the Irish Dancers. Speaking of Irish Dancers, we saw the real deal in Ireland on our recent Potentate trip. There were 20 of us traveling on the tour and had a marvelous time. When you see her, ask Judy Meeker about the "Bad King".

I sincerely thank all of you who gave your time, effort and talents to the many activities during the year. Connie Krickhuhn and Carolyn Romer, as wives of George's Chief Aides, you jumped in and had my back the whole time. Angela Forney, all I can say is delicious! Barbara and the Office Staff, thank you for always gently pointing out the many things I would have overlooked. Bless you.

For my project, it was my goal to bring up from the basement some of the many vintage photos and memorabilia moldering there and properly display them. My jar project to support this effort earned us almost \$800. I have had several photos framed and they are hanging in the Potentate's Office. We needed to be careful of what to hang in the public rooms for safety and generic appeal. Any funds not used on my project will be rolled over for the new 1st Lady to use.

It was also my intent to start up a Ladies Hospital Advocacy Program (LHAP) to go into the community and businesses and speak on the benefits of our Hospitals. This remains in the fledgling stage and I promised Liza that I would be there for her and continue this effort.

Thank you again Ladies for all your kindnesses and courtesies this past year. You will make my memories of the year stay alive for a long time to come. Butterfly Kisses,

Sandra Geanoulis, First Lady

Mt. Laguna Shrine Club

Hello to everyone. It has been quite the year. First year the club has no clubhouse. I think we have all handled it very well. We have had good participation at all of our meeting. A big thank you to the Red Fez for making us feel at home. Our club has a lot to look forward to. It can only get better from here. Our BOD is working diligently to present a plan to the Forestry to get our camp back. We should all keep the Board in our prayers. New Years Eve is going to be a great time as always this year. We look forward to seeing all of our mountain family come the 31st. Make your plans now! Lady Rachel and I want to give a big thank you to everyone. Although the year was not what anyone expected it was great to be your president. Thank you so much for the opportunity.

Best Regards, MLSC President - Daniel C Morris MLSC President's Lady - Rachel A Morris























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Brawley Cattle Call









Ceremonial





Director Staff

The Director's Staff wishes you and your families a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays. A new year begins and with positive thought and hard work all our Christmas wishes and New Years resolutions can be achieved. The Director's Staff would like to acknowledge and thank the front office of Al Bahr Shrine, whose help and guidance is greatly appreciated. The Director Staff looks forward to growing in the coming year, so that we may serve Al Bahr, with a refreshed zeal.

The Director Staff has "Flowers for her", calendars available for sale at the front office. Two different versions of calendars, with exotic flowers, are available for purchase at a buy two for \$20 price. We appreciate and recognize your charitable hearts are willing to ignore the 101 other calendars you have received and support the Director's Staff unit by giving beautiful flowers to your special person. (Or just give them as gifts to the

Got Paint? We are gathering extra paint, to be given for the murals at Salvation Mountain. If you have a collection of half used paint containers, contact Bob Stuckey, and they will make good use of it, continuing the

Here comes the Ball. How will our new potentate arrive in style at his inaugural ball? Last year Illustrious and his Lady arrived on a stretch motorcycle. The Director Staff invites new nobles to join in and help us derive how we will transport our new Illustrious Potentate and his Lady to the stage. Ssshhh, it's a secret, come join for only \$20 dues and is in the know. Robert Dockery, 2014 President

RV Shrine Club

FELLOW NOBLES.

Dear Bretheren: All is well in RV land. As President, it has been a wonderful experience--one I will not soon forget. Jim McGrath will be taking my place next year and will continue with some of the new programs we have set in place, ie., having joint outings with Al Malaikah and El Bekal RV groups. Our annual outing at Hemet was a great success and we now look forward to our annual Christmas outing and banquet at the Chula Vista Marina RV Resort from Dec. 4-6, 2014. Our special guests will be our Potentate and his Divan on Friday Night, Dec. 4. We always have a great time. If you would like to join our group on an RV outing, please call Bob Weldon at 760 789-5254. Otherwise, take care and we will see you "down the road." Respectfully,

2015 Al Bahr Nobility Inaugural Celebration January 23rd and 24th

Please Join Us as we welcome our 2015 Divan and the Unit and Club Officers

This year's event is located at the Crown Plaza Resort. Rooms are available for both Friday and Saturday at a reduced rate of \$109.00 Rooms Reservations must be made prior to January 8, 2015. Celebration Dinner Cost is \$60.00 per person.

Friday evening dress is casual at the hotel where you will enjoy light hor-d'evours at hospitality suites featuring culinary delights from around the world. Full dinner is available at the hotel dining room or many of the local restaurants.

Saturday you may want to take in some of the excursions that San Diego has to offer such as the World Famous San Diego Zoo, Balboa Park, Stroll along the beautiful water front, or just relax at the Hospitality Suites.

Saturday Evening Dress is Formal with Fez and the Celebration begins at 6 PM with Dinner in the Grand Hanalei Ballroom.

Dinner Options are:

Sliced Grilled Tri-Tip with Wild Mushroom Whiskey Sauce and Asiago Mashed Potatoes

> Mushroom Ravioli with Pesto Cream Sauce and market Vegetables (Vegetarian)

Dessert will be a Classic Black Forrest Cake Layered with Cherries

Please call the Al Bahr Office at 858-292-0092 for Dinner reservations by January 16, 2015

Rooms Reservations must be made prior to January 8, 20115. Make Room Reservations online https://resweb.passkey.com/go/AlBahrShrinersNobilityBall

> Or Call the Crown Plaza I-888-233-9527 Ask for the Al Bahr Shriners Nobility Ball rate.

Share in the Care

A CONTRIBUTION THAT LASTS A LIFETIME

Universities, service clubs and associations all promote lifetime memberships. Did you know that the Shrine offers Nobles a chance to be a life member of its hospitals?

Through the Shrine's Permanent Contributing Membership program, you can purchase a certificate for \$150, relieving you, as a Shriner, of the annual \$5 hospital assessment for life. This contribution is deductible as a charita-

Bob Weldon, President

It's an excellent way for you to support the World's Greatest Philanthropy. Your membership adds to a special endowment fund which directly supports our hospitals. This means your gift will serve for generations to come because only the income from the gift will be spent annually to help our hospitals.

A Noble contributing to the fund will receive a certificate suitable for framing and a dues card bearing a special seal indicating he is a Permanent Contributing Member.

The Permanent Contributing

Membership is an excellent gift for:

- fathers to give their sons when they become Nobles
- wives to give their husbands who are Nobles
- · units to use as a special recognition for outstanding Shriners who are officers or volunteers

If you are interested in becoming a Permanent Contributing Member, please contact your Temple Recorder.



Larry B. Parker **HIGH PRIEST & PROPHET**

CANDIDATE FOR ASSISTANT RABBAN 2015

I wish to announce my candidacy for the office of 2015 Assistant Rabban. My undergraduate majors were in economics and mathematics, graduate degrees as Juris Doctor (J.D.) in 1973, and Master of Law (LL.M.) in 1986. My military service was in the USN and USMC, from which I retired in 1992. I received a judicial appointment as a federal administrative law judge and retired after 20 years. I was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason on 18 January 2010 at Lodge 381, Oceanside-San Dieguito Lodge; am presently a member of Vista 687 and Joseph Shell Daylight Lodge No. 837; a Life Member of Triangle Chapter 155, Royal Arch Masons, serving as King; a member of Council of Cryptic Masons, Helix #58, Escondido; Life Member of Valley of San Diego Scottish Rite, serving as a member of the Membership Committee, Publicity Committee, Funeral Committee, and Soloist. I am presently serving as Commander of the Council of Kadosh, Scottish Rite Ambassador, recipient of Master Craftsman I, II, and III Awards, Scribe of the Knights of St. Andrew; Charter Member, San Diego Knights of the Double Eagle; Senior Warden designee of San Diego Commandery #25; and Sovereign Master, Allied Masonic Degree, Kit Carson Council #237, Escondido. As a proud member of Al Bahr Shrine since May 2010, and a Shriner Permanent Contributing Member of Shriners Hospitals for Children, I have served as Noble, Second Ceremonial Master, First Ceremonial Master. I accepted Illustrious Sir Rudy Nazareno's appointment as Oriental Guide in November 2013 to complete an unanticipated resignation and vacancy, immediately followed by my present elected tour as High Priest and Prophet. I enjoy memberships in the following Al Bahr Shrine Clubs & Units: Peace Officers Shrine Club, Clowns, Hillbilly Club, Order of the White Camel, Legion of Honor, Mt. Laguna Shrine Club, Cigar Club, and Al Bahr Yacht Club. I have previously served as Chairman of the Nobility Ball of 2012, planned and prepared for the 2013 Al Bahr Shrine Camp, and hosted our luncheon at the 2013 Brawley Cattle Call. I am retired now and focusing primarily upon service to Al Bahr Shrine and other Masonic concurrent and appendant bodies. Thank you for your consideration.

Legion Of Honor

John Willen 2/14

Thank you to everyone that participated in Brawley Cattle Call and Mother Goose Parade. Just a reminder that the LOH is dark in December.

We are starting a new year with a new Commander. I plan on giving him all the support that I can and I am asking each and every one to do the same. Let's make 2015 the best year ever!

I wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

For membership information please contact 2nd LCDR Steven Walker phone 760-917-9282 or e-mail seven16879@att.net.

Sincerely and Fraternally, Tony Albright 1st LCDR

Past Masters Shrine Club

Hello Nobles and Ladies. It has a pleasure to have served as President of the Past Masters Shrine Club. I believe we all should be proud of our endeavors this year. Several new Nobles have come from our Club's activities, our membership has grown, and twice we enjoyed dinner with our Ladies and friends. We have supported our Temple's Leaders and tried to "Make It Happen" all year long. As we move into 2015, let us continue to increase our participation, grow our membership, support our Leaders, and have a positive impact on our Al Bahr Shrine and Masonry in general. I am looking forward to being of service to our 2015 Past Masters Shrine Club President, WB James Glunt, Past Master of Unity Lodge No. 632.

In addition, my Lady Patricia and I wish you all a Wonderful Holiday Seasons Greetings and a blessed New Year. As we go about our busy lives, please keep in mind that the best gift is the gift of giving.

Noble Past Masters, if you are not a member of this Club, you are missing the opportunity to make a difference in the lives of our fellow Brothers. Future Nobles can only be found among our fellow Masons.

Nobles CAN ASK ONE TO BE ONE of Us.

Friday, December 19, 2014 is the next Past Masters Shrine Club meeting: 6:30 PM social and refreshments, 7:00 PM business meeting. All Past Masters are invited to join us. Look for us in the music room shed behind the Temple.

Fraternally, Bill Stokes, President

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Al Bahr Honored Ladies

Our Annual Holiday Party will be on Saturday, December 13th at the Al Bahr Shrine Center. Social time 11:00 AM, followed by lunch at 12:00 Noon. The cost is \$20.00 and reservations are required and must be received by Wednesday, December 10th. Make the check payable to Al Bahr Honored Ladies and mail to: Donna Dedrick, 3129



Calle Abajo #112, San Diego CA 92139 (619) 267-7840 or Judy Belknap, 1311 Peerless Dr. El Cajon CA 92021-3422 (619) 631-7216. Guests are welcome, their RSVP and check must be received by Wednesday, December 10th. Checks or money for the lunch will not be collected at the door. There will not be a gift exchange.

Carol Van Slyke (760) 726-2800

Juanita J. Petter 10/14

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D.A.D. Program - Dime A Day

We are scheduled to print the next issue for distribution around the 1st of September. The "Al Bahr-o-meter" needs the support of our readers! We would be pleased to add your name to the list below. If you would like to contribute to the continued success of the "Al Bahr-o-meter," please send your check to Al Bahr Shrine, 5440 Kearny Mesa Road, San Diego, CA 92111. We are planning on printing 12 issues per year. Your contribution of at least \$35.00 would be appreciated!

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Yacht Club

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The Yacht Club had a good month in October and continues to enjoy the remainder of the Fall Season. We had our last meeting/social dinner at the beautiful home of Noble David and Kathy Terry. We enjoyed a very delicious catered meal. We had a stated meeting as well which included the voting on our 2015, a great presentation our member and our Chief Rabban David Pirie, and the welcoming of new Yacht Club member John Tenwolde and his lady Sean. We are looking forward to our next event, which will be our holiday party on December 16, 2014, at the home of Bill and Lyn Taylor. In the next few weeks we will be planning several activities including boating events for 2015. We at the Yacht Club hope that all Nobles, their ladies, friends and family enjoy the upcoming holiday season.

Tin Lizzie Parade Unit

Fraternally, Secretary Andrew Monti

Happy Holidays from the Tin Lizzies! December brings family, parties, eggnog, and lots of parades! Fallbrook, San Marcos, Toyland, Escondido, and the Big Bay Balloon parade! Come on out and join us for the fun! If you are interested in joining let us give you a ride in a parade so you can see firsthand how much fun we have. Contact me and we will get you into a parade!

We are often approached with the question of cost for our Lizzies. Right now we have several Lizzies for sale and they range in price from \$800 to \$1100. We also have some trailers and other equipment available. If you have ever been interested in joining the Lizzies stop and see any of us or contact me. We can go over all the details with you. We are a very dynamic group with many characters that all come together to put on a great show at the Parades and show the Fez in a positive light. We would love to have you in our unit! Remember, it's all for the kids.

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We are getting the site ready for the new line in 2015! Look for it to update right after the officer installation in January. If you are going in to a position that puts your name in the book I'm going to need your picture with your Fez on for the website! You can email these to me or just leave them in the Tin Lizzies box at the office and I'll scan them and return the photo. We want the site to win the Imperial award this year so we need to make sure we have it all filled out for the judges.

I'm always looking for pictures and write-ups from events we have already had. If you send me some web worthy information I'll make sure it gets up there! Check for updates, they come all the time. Remember, this site is built and maintained by our Nobles for our Nobles!

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This year we will be staying at the Clarion Suites. More details to follow.

Islanders

The last five months went zipping by so quickly, that another busy month is on the way even before we can mesmerize all the good things that happened in those months. The picnic with the 913th Masonic District Lodges was a great success because of the support of everyone involved with the planning, preparation, and execution. Unity Lodge did a wonderful job of preparing and cooking the main course, ie: hotdogs ,burgers, bbg chicken. We also had pancit, lumpia, fresh fruits, and many more. We had a very good turn-out, lots of food to partake, and stories to tell and share with everyone. August , also was hectic, mainly because of the annual Islanders Club Luau. The Luau was a huge success and we're hoping the same next year, if not better. As usual Noble Amado Supnet headed the kitchen crew assisted by Noble Ding De Leon and Noble Rey Cruz. I did the running of errand for the kitchen crew during the preparation of the food, but the outcome was really worth the effort. My Lady Paulina, in cooperation with the Lady Evelyn Nazareno, the Ladies from Claude Morrison; Lady Pine Navarro, Lady Cora Navarro, Lady GiGi Gavino, and Lady Carol, also Lady Vangie Supnet and Lady Yoly Winesett showed their untiring support in decorating the banquet room, the night before. Before, during and after the Luau, Noble Rudy Navarro, Noble Cezar Navarro, Noble Henry De La Rosa, Noble Dave Winesett, Noble Neal Leonard, Noble Stan Kottle, Noble Vic Bergado, Noble Rey Gavino, Noble Jeff Velasquez, assisted in ensuring that the venue goes smoothly, and without any interruption. Let's not forget the Island Dancers, who not only decorated the banquet room the night before, but also performed a superb Hawaiian Dance number for the attendees to experience. And to the Nobles and Ladies who helped in selling tickets, particularly, Noble Assistant Rabban, Lou Hahn and his Lady Barbara, my sincerest gratitude. The 11year old singer was also very entertaining and talented. The Samahan Folk Dancers as usual, were superb in their performance. Also, the Brawley Cattle Call, last November, was again, an affair to remember. The steak dinner was excellent. December will be a very busy month for Al Bahr, election of officers, Christmas party, and preparation for the coming Nobility Ball in January, are just few of the excitements which is ongoing. To conclude, I would like to convey my sincerest and deepest gratitude and appreciation to all, but especially to the nobility and their families and friends who came in to support our fundraiser events.. My hat's off to everybody.

THANK YOU FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART!!!

Noble Rudy F. Nobleza 2014 President



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May peace and contentment be with you as we welcome the new year.

Laura & Cliff Richards, PP



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9 Commandery
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