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RECORDER'S OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM

Upcoming Shrine Center Public Events

April 12	Stamps4Less Show & Sale
April 13	San Diego Stitchery
April 15	Tierra del Sol 4X4 Car Club
April 29	SD Fine Woodworkers
April 30	Matco Tools

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Potentate's Message WHAT A GREAT ST PATRICK'S DAY

Thanks to all who attended the parade. It was a beautiful, though hot day. A large crowd along the route was huddled in the shade. Many smiles and waves greeted us and well-wishing San Diegans even offered water to us along the way. Parades sometimes seem to be a chore and many of you wonder "why go". We have to get up early, meet at the Shrine, get the vehicles ready and

down to the staging area, and a lot of standing around waiting to step off. Now, let's look at it from a little different perspective. We get to meet up with our brothers for doughnuts and coffee, spend some time helping them check out their vehicles, join them on a road trip, stand around telling stories and listening to jokes, and then cruise the city streets representing the Greatest Philanthropy in the World. For most folks along the parade route we are the only interaction with Shriners they may ever have. When they smile and wave to us, it puts a warm feeling in your heart. Be Proud. Wear your Fez. Don't be afraid, and please join us at the next Parade.

I would like to thank Oriental Guide Oscar Canedo and his Lady Sarah and their crew for the outstanding Corn Beef and Cabbage lunch. The food was great and Barry Clay outdid himself once again. There was a great crowd and I want to personally thank all those who attended.

You should all be proud of your Shrine Center. When the Recorders were here, I was able to visit with several of them, I cannot tell you how many of them expressed what beautiful a facility we have and how lucky we are. Thank you to all those who work and volunteer in and around the Center for keeping our building in such good shape.

The response to our Potentate Trip for 2015 has been great. If you haven't had a chance to purchase your passport for the year please stop by the office and pick one up prior to our next Passport event.

We will be staying busy and welcome any of you to join us as often as you can.

April 1st, the Scottish Rite will be honoring Al Bahr Shrine at their Stated Meeting Dinner. Please make reservations to attend so that we can show our appreciation with a sea of Red Fezzes in the audience and please plan to stay for the extinguishing of the lights following dinner.

April 17th, Shrine Stated Meeting will be a Passport Destination Event "April in Paris". Robert and Sue Lakosil are pulling out all the stops for this one. If you don't have a reservation yet, please call the Recorder's office to reserve your seat today. I look forward to seeing all of you in Paris.

WSA is in Las Vegas from April 22 thru 26th. Wednesday is reception and welcome party. The Schedule has been greatly modified so that many more of us can attend the competitions. Please find the detailed schedule at http://www.westernshrine.org . In the past we have chartered a bus or taken vans to WSA. If you are interested in one of these options, please call the Recorder's office and let us know. We will see what we can arrange.

May 2nd, Cinco de Mayo Party will be an Excursion event. Peter and Connie Krickhuhn are planning a fabulous event and I hope to see you all there. Plan on staying for the Big Boxing Match in the Red Fez to follow.

As it has always been, the Units and Clubs are the backbone of our organization. We need your support to assist them in the great work that they do. Please consider offering your assistance to one or more of our Units and Clubs.

Fraternally Dave Pirie

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Chaplain's Message

You all know that I like to wear Aloha shirts. You might not know that I also appreciate Hawaiian music, particularly contemporary Hawaiian music. This month's inspiration comes from a group known as Hapa. Their song "One Day" starts with: "Sometimes I lay under the moon, and thank God I'm breathing. And then I pray, don't take me soon, 'cause I'm here for a reason." Yes, we are here for a reason designed by the Supreme Architect of the Universe. Some of us can look back and see God's guiding hand showing us our purpose while others early on their journey are still discovering their purpose. Most likely we've seen our life's purpose evolving and becoming richer over the years. The message? Thank God for life, be open to His guidance, and know that no matter your stage in life, He has a purpose for you. Whether great or small, your purpose is important to you and to God. A great purpose we all share is a dedication to our fraternity, our Masonic principles, and our Shrine philanthropy.

God Bless you! And Aloha! Mark Suycott, Chaplain



Shrine Ceremonial & Scottish Rite Degrees SATURDAY, MAY 16, 2015

In Memoriam A A A A A A

NAME BORN SHRINER INTO REST Lloyd, Wilson*** 2/7/1918 6/19/1971 2/25/2015 *** Member of Widow & Orphans Fund

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



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.

Drummond, Gordon Alvarez. Chico Bayle, Rodolfo Dudley, Kenneth Gentle, Ken (PP) Bechtel, Richard Benson, James Gillard, Gene Bergstrom, Duane Glunt, James Callier, William Hadaway, Fred Childress, Clyde Hollingshead, Arvin Condon, Howard Houston, Bill Crouse, Ray Huszar, Skip Cunningham, Charles Johnston, Doug Dewar, Bob Jones, Ray

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April 22 - 26, 2015

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Nobles and Ladies.

The donations and contributions that the Temple receives for the Shrine Hospital Patient Transportation Fund is the only means of support that we have to continue this valued assistance that we provide to the patients at our Shrine Hospitals. Did you realize that there are over 2,200 children from our local area who are on the active patients rolls of Shriners Hospitals for Children? This fund provides for the daily operation of our two hospital transportation vans, the insurance, maintenance and upkeep. It also supports bus and air transportation to the

Northern California Unit in Sacramento.

Without your continued support Al Bahr might not be able to continue in this worthy endeavor, the transportation of patients to our Shrine Hospitals.

All donations are tax deductible as a charitable donation and we urge you to consider supporting this very important fund.

Save the Date!



) Ladies' Luncheon

Honoring

First Lady Liza Pirie

Saturday, June 6 11:00 Social 12:00 Lunch \$25.00



Daughters of the Nile Mecca Temple No 34

The activities for the month of April will be:

- April 1 Dancers & Pageantry meeting will be at 10:00 a.m. at the Unity Lodge
- April 3 We will have practice for the Installation at 10:00 a.m. Everyone involved should attend at the Scottish Rite Center.
- April 4 Pictures will be at 12:30 and Installation will be at 2:00 Social hour will be at 4:30 p.m. and performances will be at 5:00 and 5:15. Dinner will be at 5:30. The tickets will be \$25.00 per person pble to Mecca Temple No. 34 & Send to P.Q. Donna Dedrick at 3129 Calle Abajo, Sp.112, San Diego, CA 92139-3545. Indicate choice of Entrée Pecatta or Steak Oscar. No later than March 31st.
- April 7 Patrol Meeting will be at 10:30 at the Unity Lodge.
- April 8 North County Sewing will meet at the Oceanside Lodge at 10:00 a.m.
- April 13 San Diego Sewing will meet at the Unity Lodge at 10:00. Chorus will meet at that time also.
- April 20 We will have our Luncheon at 11:00 a.m. and our Session will begin at 12:15 at the Scottish Rite Center. We will be honoring Past Queens & Life 25 & 50 year Members.

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Shriners Recorders Association International

For the fourth time, Al Bahr Shrine hosted the annual seminar for the Shriners Recorders Association International.

This seminar is held yearly in order to provide the Shrine Recorders with information and updates to assist them in the effective administration of their duties within the framework of their respective Temples and Shriners International. There were more than 220 Nobles and Ladies in attendance and they greatly appreciated our Shrine Center and the events held during the 4 days they were in San Diego.

More than half a dozen of our Al Bahr Nobles volunteered to provide transportation from the airport to the Shrine.

The Association was pleased to have Imperial Sirs Stauss, Gantt and Jones in attendance along with staff member from the headquarters in Tampa. *Phil Johnson*

Secretary-Treasurer, SRA

NOTICE

We have received a letter from Shriner's International stating that our bylaws have been approved. If you would like a copy, please contact the office at 858-292-0092.



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Our Shrine Hospital has scheduled treatments for "our kids" - now do you part by taking them to their appointments.

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Rustic French Menu: Beef Bourguignon, French Onion Soup, Poached Pears with French Vanilla Ice Cream

For the Ladies: Wine & Cheese Tasting

Be it known that a regular stated meeting of Al Bahr Shrine will be held on Friday, April 17, 2015 beginning at 7:30 PM 5440 Kearny Mesa Road, San Diego. Such business as may rightly come before the membership will be accepted.

A 2015 dues card is required for admission.

Fraternally, Attest,
Dave Pirie John Harris
Potentate Recorder

Past Masters Shrine Club

I would like to thank everyone that attended the Annual Al Bahr Past Masters Club Breakfast Fundraiser for their support. I also want to thank our very own Al Bahr Shrine Clowns for providing fun and laughs, and our Tin Lizzies for providing Tot Tows during our breakfast. We had a great turn-out. I hope everyone enjoyed your breakfast, the entertainment, fellowship, and had a great time. I especially want to thank the Past Masters and everyone else that assisted with our fundraiser. It takes teamwork to put on an event like our breakfast, and it is obvious that there were plenty of players on our team. I want to extend a big welcome from all of the Past Masters in our club to our newest members, Noble Peter Krickhuhn and Noble Pierre Abdou. I hope that you will invite any Past Masters you may know to become a Shriner if they are not already one, and encourage them to join our club. A reminder to all Nobles reading this article, please inform the Master of your Blue Lodge that the Al Bahr Past Masters Club is available and willing to assist them with their degrees. Many of the Past Masters in our club have been doing degree work for as long as I have been alive.

Our upcoming PM Club Meetings are: (Held in the shed behind Al Bahr, 6:30 pm Social, 7 pm - Meeting) Friday, April 17th, Friday, May 15th, and Friday, June 19th. I look forward to seeing all of you at our next meeting and that you will bring a prospective new member with you.

Fraternally, Noble James Glunt jamesbglunt@gmail.com

619-335-0714



Red Fez Lounge Hours For April

Friday, April 3 Open Friday, April 10 Open Monday, April 13 Open Monday, April 20 Open Friday, April 24 Open Saturday, April 25 Open Fight Night Monday, April 27 Open

We Want You For DeMolay!

Or more specifically we want your son or grandson. If he is between the ages of 12 and 21, he is a candidate for membership in the Order Of DeMolay. In the early 1900's Brother Frank Land saw a need to form an organization, much like the Masonic fraternity, for young men to help them grow and mature. DeMolay is an organization that takes young men and gives them an opportunity to improve. Frank Land would be very proud to see how is dream has been able to touch the lives of hundreds of thousands of young men. A Masonic relationship is not required, DeMolay is open to all young men seeking a moral and safe environment to improve themselves.

Please consider this as an opportunity to introduce that young man to a great organization. The local contact for further information is Bob Astudillo at 619.246.7570, www.demolay.org.

To all my friends, I would like to say "Thank You" for your Thoughts, Prayers and Cards during the recovery from my fall. Recovery is still on-going and your continuing support is really appreciated. I love you all. Love, Sharon Collins, Past First Lady 2009

Tin Lizzie Parade Unit

As the rest of the country enjoys spring showers in April, those of us in Southern California wonder where our rain has all gone! It's warm and dry. Water is at record lows. Keep an eye open for any way you can conserve water. Set those sprinklers to water a little less or just put in some ground cover that is more native to the weather we get. Every little bit helps. We have one parade in April, Lakeside on April 18th. I hope to see everyone there, it's a great little parade! Also save that May 9th date. We are still working out plans for what we will be doing that day. Route 66 style. 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.

John Harris, john@buddybox.com, 858.245.9696

Legion Of Honor

Thank you to everyone that participated in the Silver Spur Rodeo Parade in Yuma, AZ, the St. Patrick's Day Parade, and Color Guard for Sharu Court. Cdr Steve Walker is interested in any ideas the members of the LOH might have for fund raising. This also includes improvements for the Chili Cook Off that we've been conducting for the last few years.

Welcome aboard to Heath Forney our newest member. We will be distributing an updated LOH of roster in the next few weeks. I'll send that out by e-mail as soon as I receive it.

WSA 2015 is scheduled for April 22 through April 26 in Las Vegas. This will be at the Westgate Hotel which is located on the north end of the strip. WSA Convention will include a LOH Breakfast / Meeting on Thursday morning April 23rd. If you need reservation information or a flyer for events let me know.

Please contact 2nd LtCdr Chris Gunn phone 858-218-5279 or e-mail ccg729@gmail.com for membership information.

Sincerely and Fraternally Tony Albright 1st LCDR e-mail: tony19@cox.net



Fiscal Responsibility. It's a buzz phrase that has several definitions depending on the context it is used in. Politicians love to say this phrase. Constituents love to hear this phrase. To me, it's about being responsible with our money, the Shrines money. How we spend it, what we spend it on, what we invest in, how we look to the future, how we learn from the past, how we keep our facilities and our people happy. Every Shriner has

this responsibility. The smallest of choices can help, we build brick by brick. From returning unused office supplies, reporting building deficiencies to the office, saying thank you to the staff, etc. We are Masons, we are Shriners

As some of you may know, the Recorders and some office staff from Shrines all across Shriners International were here in March for their annual conference. They were bright and energetic. They were happy and hopeful, they were Masons, they were Shriners. They loved our facility. They shared their ups and downs. Know that our problems are not unique. Every Shrine is battling the same issues we face day to day. There are success stories. We will continue to be a success story with the help of each and every one of you, our Nobility!

We always should plan for a rocky future. It assures we will have a future and a bright one. Please help me make this a continued reality for Al Bahr Shrine.

Serving at the pleasure of the Nobility,

John P Harris Jr., Recorder

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, A 92111. We are planning on printing 12 issues per year. Your contribution of at least \$35.00 would be appreciated!

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Peace Officers

Give yourself a great big hand for the big attendance at all our functions this year.

Parades continue to be the one thing that will get recognition for our club. Please join us at the next parade, in Lakeside on April 18th, 2015, Lakeside Parade. There are vehicles available to ride on and get you to and from the Parade.

Your Officers welcome and encourage all members to join us at the shed, behind the Temple, on the 4th Wednesday of each month. The April meeting is on the 22nd. What! You say you are not a member - Membership in the Peace Officers is open to all Members of Al Bahr. Regular membership consists of active, reserve, volunteers and retired Law Enforcement Officers, Firefighters, and other public service officers from the city, county, state, and federal agencies. Associate membership are those Shriners who are interested in the field but have no regular affiliation with public service. Ask any member for a Petition and join us on the 4th Wednesday of each month, with a social starting at 5:30 PM and dinner prior to the meeting! Remember, the dinners are still only \$5.00!

Bob Powell, PP President

Shaaru Court of LOSNA

Shaaru Court #37 held its 70th Installation of Officers at Heartland Masonic Center on Sunday March 22. Lady Elizabeth "Beth" Carter was installed as High Priestess for the ensuing year, along with the elected and appointed officers, aides to the officers, and leaders of units. Our Court looks forward to another year of fun and fellowship, as we continue to support the Shriners and their Hospitals under Lady Beth's capable leadership.

Stay tuned to this page for info on upcoming fund raisers that our Court will be having to help us continue in this goal.

Any lady wishing to join us in our endeavors, just talk to any member of our Court and she will be glad to answer any questions you may have. Judy Belknap, PHP

Rancho Bernardo Shrine Club

In February, the RB Shrine Club held its monthly meeting at Athens Market, a Greek restaurant in Carmel Mountain. To celebrate the Valentine holiday each place setting had some valentine candy and decorations. Many thanks to Marilyn Norman for making this special treat for us.

We were honored to have the Past Master of Consuelo Lodge #325, Jeff Hertig, at our dinner as well as Noble Bob Gold also of Consuelo Lodge #325 in Escondido.

As always Nick prepared an excellent meal and everyone seemed to have satisfied their taste buds.

After our dinner and the meeting was closed, we conducted an opportunity drawing where some very interesting surprises were found.

Our meetings are always the 3rd Thursday of the month and we encourage any and all Nobles and their Ladies to join us at 5:30 PM and partake of the lively conversation and good comradeship. Call me for further information. F&S

Paul Whitten, Sr., President 858-487-5424

Motorcycle Riding Club ILLUSTRIOUS SIRS AND NOBLE RIDERS,

We had a great passing the gavel ceremony, last month. This month we had a great ride out in the East County. Please stay tuned to the emails and text messages about future events and meetings. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact either our Illustrious VP or myself. I look forward to riding with you all. Look twice for motorcycles and keep the rubber to the road.

Sincerely and Fraternally, Abraham Ravitch MRC, President

Greeters

Dear Nobles and Greeters.

We are the Greeters and you see up at the door when you come to the Stated meeting at the Shrine. We welcome anyone who is interested in checking out our Greeter Unit as a possible Home. Good Food and Camaraderie, and a good way to meet and get to know all members of our Shrine.

Our goal as a supporting Unit of Al Bahr Shrine, is to continue having a positive presence at all Shrine functions. We will strive to create more Masons into the Shriners and give them the opportunity to become active in whichever Club or Unit they desire. Let's continue to make the Greeters a Unit that Shriners of all ages will desire to belong to. With a team effort we will have a lot of fun this year. We invite all Nobles not actively participating in a Unit to join us. We'll be at the door with smiling faces and outstretched hands.

We will continue to have our monthly business/ shed meetings on the second Wed. of the month and would like an RSVP to Mike at 619-299-6868 so we have an idea of the amount of food needed for the dinners. Dinner is around 6:15 PM and the meeting starts at 7 PM. Our next meeting will be April 8th. Thanks in Advance for RSVPing.

Thank you all in advance for helping the Greeters support our Potentate, the Transportation Fund and the Shrine Hospitals.

Mark Kaufman

2015 Greeters President

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April 2015

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April 21 Antique Cars Radops On Air April 22 WSA Las Vegas Peace Officers

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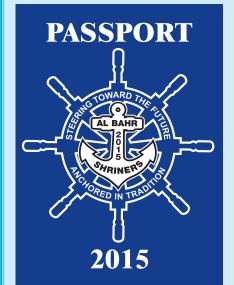
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The "BIG BOXING MATCH" will be shown in the Red Fez Lounge (Fight Only \$10.00 cover charge)

Potentate Trip 2015

Liza and I would like to personally invite you to join us as we tour the world without leaving home. We feel that our energy and resources better serve Al Bahr and our Shrine Kids by opting not to take a separate Potentate's trip. So we have decided to bring the world to you.

It is our desire for you to join us through memorable & exciting Destinations and Excursions in support of our Shrine



Mission. Here's how it works. We will be selling 2015 passports to be used throughout the year. Most Temple events will be "Destinations" while ALL Unit and Club fundraisers, and some Temple fundraisers will be "Excursions". The Temple events will all be themed. For instance, our April Stated meeting is "April in Paris", and you are invited to dress the part and enjoy French cuisine. Halloween this year falls on a Friday and we will be having a Halloween party with a destination of "The Bermuda Triangle".

We will have a check-in table at each event. For every passport event that you purchase a ticket for and attend, you can come to the check-in table and receive a "Stamp" in your passport. At the end of the year we will have a drawing for two trips. First, those who have 70% of the Destination stamps will be eligible for a \$2500 gift certificate on Celebrity Cruise Lines. Second, those that have 70% of the Excursion stamps will be eligible for a 3 day Las Vegas Vacation. If you have 70% for both categories, you will be eligible for both trips. Our goal is to increase camaraderie and participation in both Temple and Unit / Club events. Look for more information in the Al Bahr-o-Meter and on line at AlBahrShrine.org.