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At Al Bahr Shrine Center 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

\$12 per person purchased in advance \$15 per person purchased at the door Tickets can be purchased in advance in the Al Bahr Shrine Office or at the door.

Come join us after the St. Patrick's Day Parade for a traditional Irish meal with all the fixings!

For more information, please contact Gene Yee, chairman, at 619-482-8887

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RECORDER'S OFFICE HOURS

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

Upcoming Shrine Center Public Events

Potentate's Message



Whew! January and February were busy months. Your Divan members have been attending the many

passing of the gavel events, making visitations to our Ladies organizations, and making a few trips to other Shrine Inaugurals in the Western Shrine Association.

I hope everyone enjoyed the Silver Spur weekend in Yuma. It is always fun to share the festivities with the Nobles and Ladies of El Zaribah Shrine. Thanks to Illustrious Sir Bob Powell for chairing the event and of course our Purveyor John Ford his Lady Nancy and his crew for making sure that none of us went hungry or thirsty.

I and other members of the Divan have received many compliments on the Divan ties we have this year. We will be happy to make those available to you. If you would like one of the ties please let the office know and we will order them for you. I believe the cost is approximately \$25.00. The office also has a supply of "Team 16" tee shirts and they are available for \$10.00 each. These are great for casual events like the All Masonic Picnic in August.

On March 12th Al Bahr will participate in the St. Patrick's Day parade and of course that will be followed by our annual Corned Beef and Cabbage Lunch at the Shrine Center. Come out and join us and bring some friends. The cost is only \$12.00 for tickets purchased in advance, either from the office or from any Divan member. Tickets will also be available at the door for \$15.00. Events like this are the perfect time to show off our center and what we do. Our thanks again, to our High Priest and Prophet Gene Yee, the chairman, and of course John Ford and his band of merry cooks.

It is time to ask yourself how many of your neighbors, friends and co-workers know that you are a Shriner. More importantly how many know what the Shrine does for our kids. All too often we only look at fellow Masons as viable candidates for Shrine membership, when in fact any good man is what we are looking for. If an individual shows an interest in what we do, we can sure guide and assist him in becoming a Mason and a Shriner. I take pride in the fact that I was able to mentor and coach through the degrees of Masonry a good number of the individuals I have brought into the Shrine. You should be very proud that you are an integral part of the "World's Greatest Fraternity". Together we can make the Shrine and Al Bahr better.

Thanks

Lou Hahn

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Chaplain's Message

Nobles, I hope everyone is having a good year so far. It has been a busy one. To say the least. Let us continue to support one another throughout the year. Not only will it foster camaraderie and fellowship with in our clubs and units, but it will strengthen our Shrine, as well as Free masonry as a whole. Here is an Inspirational prayer from the dead sea scrolls.

I have reached the inner vision and through Thy spirit in me I have heard Thy wondrous secret. Through Thy mystic insight Thou hast caused a spring of knowledge to well up within me, a fountain of power, pouring forth living waters, a flood of love and of all-embracing wisdom like the splendor of eternal light.

Sincerely and Fraternally, Abe Ravitch Chaplain. Al Bahr Shrine



Our clown unit has high quality tshirts on sale for \$20. All the profits from the tshirt sales will go to the hospital fund,

making this a tax deductible item.

SHRINERS CAN'T PUT A
PRICE ON WHAT THEY DO
FOR

KIDS, SO THEY DO IT FREE!!

we have S, M, LG, XL, XXL you can email your request to: clowns@ albahrshrine.org and a clown will contact you!



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 Bechtel, Richard Beck, Charles Benson, James Berman, Sheldon Boyd, Terran Childress, Clyde Condon, Howard Crawford, Jim Crouse, Ray Cunningham, Charles De Luna, Jose Dudley, Kenneth Gentle, Ken (PP) Gillard, Gene Glunt, James Hadaway, Fred Hampton, Robert Hollsingshead, Arvin Hodge, Carmi Huszar, Skip Johnston, Doug Kellett, Alan Latham, Ernest

Lipa, Joseph Maizlish, Greg Markson, Richard McComas, Mike McGrath, Jim Plastik, Herb Rafferty, Alexander Ralph, Marshall Ramos, Roy B. Rosemier, Dennis Rash, Ronald Schaffer, Charlie Schoen, Frank Silverman, Sidney Smith, Sidney R. Stovall, Allen Taylor, George Thomas, John Thorpe, Lewis Trapp, Ronald Vennebush, James J. Young, Wayne

In Memoriam

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NAME Gill, Robert L. Marshall, Richard E. **BORN** 10/19/26 9/17/31 CREATED A SHRINER 5/11/74 6/9/84 ENTERED INTO REST 10/21/15 6/7/15

***Member of Widow & Orphan Fund

A memorial contribution to the Shrine Hospital Transportation fund has been made in memory of our members listed above

Al Bahr Honored Ladies

Our March Meeting will be on Saturday, March 12th, at 9:30AM as the Al Bahr Shrine Center. Join us for refreshments, a meeting and then a friendly game of Mexican Train Dominoes. Our monthly game day will be on Thursday, March 24th, at 10AM at the Al Bahr Shrine Center. Bring a sandwich or buy a Burger from the Director's Staff.

Shriners Hospitals for Children and Donations from our Members and Friends

Shrine Hospital Transportation Fund Donations

Anonymous

Peace Officer's Shrine Club

Carl Ross Jr.

Joyce Brownlee

In Memory of Paul Whitten:
William & Pamela Simkins
In Memory of William Wadsworth:
Bill & Lynn Taylor
In Memory of Richard Saks:
Dan & Zsi Zsi Potsdam

In Memory of Dick Merritt:

Miteject Inc.

In Honor of Naty Camerino:

Dan & Zsi Zsi Potsdam

In Memory of Howard Ferguson:

Hand & Foot Club

Hal & Liz Carter

Gil & Darlene Magdaluyo

Chuck & Lina Andrade

Connie & Ken Gentle, PP

Shriners Hospital for Childrens Donations

William E. Magnum Lee & Joyce Burris

Pillar of the Temple Donations

Wilcox Estate Fred Meinken Estate In Memory of Paul Whitten
Rancho Bernardo Shrine Club

General Fund Donations:

Lee & Joyce Burris

Daughters of the Nile Mecca Temple No. 34 | Legion of Honor

- Patrol will have their meeting at 10:30 at the Unity Lodge.
- Mar 2 Dancers & Pageantry will meet at 10:00 at the Unity Lodge.
- The Line Officers will have their Tea at 10:00 at the Unity Lodge.
- Mar 9 North County Sewing will meet at 10:00 at the Oceanside Lodge.
- Mar 14 San Diego Sewing will meet at the Unity Lodge at 10:00. Chorus will meet at the same time also.
- Mar 21 Our Luncheon will be at 11:00 and Session will begin at 12:15. We will have elections at that time also. It is very important that everyone attend.

Mar 24 We will have Orientation at 10:00 at the Scottish Rite Center.

Mar 31 Practice for Installation will be at 10:00.

DO YOU KNOW THIS?

The Daughters of the Nile contributed over \$2.3 million this past year to the Shrine Hospitals for Children & over \$56 million since 1924.

RUBY NYBERG

(858) 292-1885

The Yuma Parade is complete and I think everyone enjoyed themselves. We have the St. Patrick's Day Parade coming up on March 12th. I hope to see a great turn out. Another event on March 19th is the Shaaru Court Installation. I haven't received the times yet but I expect it will be about 1:00 PM. The Ladies have asked the Legion of Honor to present colors. Please let me know if you are interested.

Officially the Legion of Honor Chili Cook Off is scheduled for October 15, 2016. It will be held at the Al Bahr Shrine. A new location and hopefully it will be the best turn out ever. Anyway everyone is on notice get your chili recipes out and start cooking.

I'll keep everyone informed by e-mail concerning future events, transportation, and any other type of information that comes across my desk. Sincerely and Fraternally,

Tony Albright

Cell: (619) 994-5309 e-mail: tony19@cox.net

High Priest & Prophet Report - Gene Yee

Dear Nobles,

March is here, and that means Corned Beef and Cabbage at Al Bahr Shriners! March 12 is the date, 10AM to 2PM, and \$12 is the full plate! This is a relaxing way to unwind from the parade, or watching us prep for your meal! Al Bahr has a lot to look at this year in our activities, relationships, and membership activities. Some of us will be looking to you for aid and assistance, and your wise counsel is always welcome. I don't believe any one person has all the answers, and with this great and important undertaking, we must first invoke the blessing of the Supreme Architect of the Universe. Our concordant bodies have a lot of positive action going on. Our Scottish Rite brothers are gearing up, our York Rite Commandery and related bodies are preparing for the Spring reunions, and at Al Bahr we are preparing for out Spring Ceremonial.

Many of us wear more than one Masonic hat, and our ladies have active involvement in their related organizations also, which increases our visibility and viability in the community and in the Masonic world. I really appreciate all that everyone does which helps us all. Also a shout out needs to go to High Priestess Lady Beth Carter and her Noble, Hal Carter, for their great and busy year being completed this month in Sharuu Court of LOSNA. Congratulations to Sharuu Court #37 for their 70th anniversary on March 27th

Rancho Bernardo Shrine Club

If you are a resident of the North County and would like to join your fellow Shriners and their ladies for a nice evening of social and dinner, we invite you to come visit our Shrine Club. We normally meet on the third Thursday of each month, usually at the Athens Café on Carmel Mountain Road. The fellowship is stimulating, the food great and time requirements, minimal. The March dinner meeting will be held on Thursday, March 17th. Details will be sent to the Club members just after the first of the month.

Phil Johnson, Secretary

RV Club

Happy Easter & St. Patrick's Day. This month (March), we will be moseying on out to Borrego Springs. Everything should be in full bloom due to our current rains. If you can't camp with us, you can still drive on out to Borrego Springs and see all the beautiful colors. A visit to the Anza-Borrego Desert State Park is very close to our RV Park, and is a very interesting place. The dates for our outing are March 24-26.

I invite all who have Motorhomes or Trailers to join the RV Club. We have outings every month. Unsually, our outings are Thursday-Sunday. For those still working, many arrive on Friday.

For more info, call an RV Club Member or me.

Fraternally,

Jerry Wohlfarth, President

Cell: 760-685-3370 - jerrywohlf@cox.net

Coming Events!!

April 29th Stated Meeting & Dinner May 6th - 8th WSA - Las Vegas May 21st Ceremonial

Nobles & Ladies

The Potentate is asking for your help in trying to locate auto parade banners which were used by the Desert Nomads many years ago. If you have any idea on the location of these banners, your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

Fee: \$295

Recorder's Office

March, we are in the middle of tax season, spring is almost here. I am starting a facelift on the outside of our building. The foliage is dated and mostly dead. I would like to apply a more desert theme. It would not just follow the Shriners theme but also allow us to place succulents that require little to no water or maintenance around the building. We will also be painting some items that are long past due. Keep an eye out for the changes we are making, they will not be fast, and we could use some budget for it as right now we have none. You knew I mentioned tax season for a reason. If you have a few extra dollars and would like to donate to the beautification process we will be undertaking, a donation to the Temple Pillars would be great. This would allow us to do a great job refreshing the outside of the building. If you have any questions or need any assistance with events, please don't hesitate to call the office. We are here to do a lot of things and support our Shriners is number 1 on that list. You can email us at office@albahrshrine.org, call us at 858-292-0092, and even send us a fax at 858-292-5618. If you would like to send a private note to the recorder you can do that at **recorder@albahrshrine.org**. We are also on Facebook as Al Bahr Shriners and new on Twitter as @AlBahrRecorder. I hope to send news etc out via Twitter which will also update the same information to our Facebook page. This is all supplemental to our usual lines of communications. Serving at the pleasure of the Nobility,

John P Harris Jr Recorder Al Bahr Shrine

Tin LizzieParade Unit

It's time for some corned beef and cabbage! A bit of the green! A good old fashioned Parade! Aoooogah! Come join us for the St. Patrick's Day parade in San Diego. It's a good time followed by good food at the Al Bahr Shrine Center. You go home tired, full, and happy.

We have had a couple parades since my last writing. We Lizzies know there is always a parade. I found a couple cracks in my frame and still went out to Yuma to parade. Then I threw a solid tire off the rim and had it catch while being towed and it not only flat spotted my tires, it also flat spotted my rim! What a day that was. This month I'll be taking my Lizzie apart and fixing the frame and the tires. There is nothing better than getting ready for the next parade. Wait, there is, seeing the kids smile when the Lizzies roll on by. Aooooogah!

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

Notice for the April Stated meeting that there will be a vote on a 2016 Budget amendment to reduce the Shrine Center Revenue from \$221,000 to \$201,000 as directed by the Board of Directors.

POCKET PETITION

Petition for Membership Al Bahr Shriners

AL BAHR SHRINE

5440 Kearny Mesa Road • San Diego, CA 92111-1303 858-292-0092 • fax 858-292-5618

Ceremonial Date:/						
To the Potentate, Officers and Nobles of Al Bahr Shrine, situated						
in the Oasis of San Diego, Desert of California: I, the undersigned,						
hereby declare that I am a Master Mason in good standing in						
, Lodge #, located						
at,, which is a Lodge						
recognized by or in amity with the Conference of Grand Masters of						
North America. Furthermore, I have resided at my current address						
for not less than 6 months, as required by the Bylaws of Shriners						
International. I respectfully pray that I many be made a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, and become a member of your temple. If I be found						
of Incorporation and Bylaws of Shriners International and the Bylaws						
and Ceremonies of your temple.						
Birthplace						
Date of Birth/						
Were you ever in DeMolay? Yes No						
If so, name of the chapter and location:						
Occupation						
Have you previously applied for admission to any temple of the Shrine? Yes No						
If so, what location?						
Where?						
Residence Address:						
City State Zip						
Email						
Home Phone (
Business Phone (
Mobile Phone (
Wife's Name						
Printed name in FULL (initials are not sufficient)						
/ /						
Signature Date						
Recommended and vouched for on the Honor of:						
Noble's PRINTED Name Phone						
Noble's PRINTED Name Phone						























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AN EXCERPT FROM GENERAL ORDER NO. 1:

FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES

It is natural to associate the fez with Shriners Hospitals for Children. Because of this, meticulous attention must be given to all fundraising activities, including circuses, to make certain that such activities comply with the law of the land and that a contributor is not led to believe that his money will be used for the Hospitals when all or a portion thereof will be used otherwise. The integrity of our charity and of our fraternity must remain above reproach.

Your specific attention is called to the following fraternal and charitable bylaws: §335.3 USE OF NAME "SHRINERS HOSPITALS FOR

CHILDREN." The use of the name "Shriners Hospitals for Children" or reference to the Hospitals in connection with any fundraising activity by a temple or Noble without the written consent of the Imperial Potentate and the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Hospitals is prohibited.

§503.11 COMMERCIAL USE OF NAME

The use of the name "Shriners Hospitals for Children" or reference to the Hospitals in connection with any commercial product or business enterprise is prohibited unless the written consent of the Board of Directors and Trustees has been first obtained.

Now, therefore, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

- 1. Fundraising for Fraternal Purposes:
 - (a) No Noble (in his capacity as a Shriner), club, unit, organization of Nobles or affiliated or appendant corporations shall engage in any fundraising activity without the express written consent of the potentate of the temple having jurisdiction thereof.
 - (b) There can be no representation, express or implied, that the proceeds will be for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children.
 - (c) The temple potentate shall carefully examine all phases of the advertising, promotion and solicitation to determine that it complies with §335.3 and §503.11 of the fraternal and charitable bylaws and that there is no representation, expressed or implied, that would lead a reasonably prudent person to believe that the proceeds will be for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children. If the potentate is in doubt, he must receive the opinion of the Imperial Potentate who, after consultation with the Director of Temple Accounting, shall make the final determination.
 - (d) The temple potentate must approve the terms and provisions of any contract for a fundraising activity after receiving the advice of the temple attorney, and additionally, as may be required by the temple bylaws.
 - (e) A copy of the temple potentate's written consent shall be mailed to the Executive Vice President, Shriners International. Further, such written material pertaining to the fundraising activity, as requested by the Executive Vice President, Shriners International shall be promptly mailed to him.
- 2. Fundraising for Charitable Purposes:
 - (a) No Noble (in his capacity as a Shriner), club, unit, organization of Nobles or affiliated or appendant corporations shall engage in any charitable fundraising activity other than for Shriners Hospitals for Children. Permission therefore must be first obtained in writing from the temple potentate. The temple potentate must then obtain written permission from the Chairmen of the Boards of Directors and Trustees. This request for written permission shall be sent to the Executive Vice President, Shriners International, P.O. Box 31356, Tampa, FL 33631-3356. No charitable fundraising activity shall be held in the jurisdiction of another temple without the written permission of the Potentate of that temple.
 - (1) A joint charitable fundraising activity with another 501(c)(3) charity may be authorized provided that a minimum of 50% of the net proceeds are for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children, and the Chairmen of the Boards of Directors and Trustees determine, on a case by case basis, that it is in the best interest of Shriners Hospitals for Children and they grant their written permission for the activity.
 - (2) A charitable fundraising activity conducted by a temple located outside of the U.S.A may be authorized for other charities, provided that the chairmen of the board of directors and trustees determine, on a case by case basis, that it is in the best interest of Shriners Hospitals for Children and they grant their written permission for the activity.

- (b) 100% of net proceeds (as defined in the Charitable Fundraising-Approval And Reporting provisions of the current General Order) from charitable fundraising must be given to Shriners Hospitals for Children except for such portion thereof as may be permitted to be retained for the temple Shrine Hospital Patient Transportation Fund, pursuant to the Special Purpose Funds provisions of the current General Order. Provided, however, if the chairmen of the boards of directors and trustees determine for good cause shown, that the law of the land requires that a portion of the net proceeds must be distributed locally, then they may, if they determine it to be in the best interest of Shriners Hospitals for Children, grant their written permission for such distribution.
- (c) The temple shall report the result of each charitable fundraising activity within sixty days of the activity, pursuant to the Charitable Fundraising– Approval And Reporting provision of the current General Order.
- (d) This section shall not apply to activities exempt under §335.4(b) of the bylaws of Shriners International.
- (e) Each independent corporation or entity that receives the permission of the chairmen of the boards of directors and trustees to raise moneys for Shriners Hospitals for Children, and which does not have its financial statements reviewed pursuant to §334.6 & §337.8 of the bylaws of Shriners International, shall have its financial statements audited by a certified, chartered or licensed public accountant and shall submit such audit report to Shriners International within 120 days of the activity.
- 3. Statement of Purpose and Disclosure:
 - (a) Every fundraising activity must contain factual information on its solicitation material, tickets, programs and documents, including all electronically transmitted materials, regarding the use of the proceeds. Examples:

Proceeds are for the benefit of (Shriners)
Shrine Club) activities "	

"Proceeds are for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children."

- (b) Every fundraising activity which is not entirely for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children shall prominently state on the solicitation material, tickets, programs, documents and electronically transmitted material that "payments are not deductible as charitable contributions."
- (c) There must be compliance with the Revenue Act of 1987 provision of any existing general order by U.S. temples.
- 4. Compliance with Applicable Laws:

It is the responsibility of the temple potentate, after receiving the advice of the temple attorney, to determine that there is compliance with all applicable laws in its jurisdiction for the temple's fundraising activities.

- 5. Financial Records:
 - (a) The temple shall maintain detailed financial records pertaining to all fundraising activities involving Nobles, clubs, units, organizations of Nobles and affiliated and appendant corporations. Details of all revenues and expenditures shall be maintained in such financial records.
 - (b) The temple must retain such detailed financial records for a period of seven (7) years.
 - (c) There must be compliance with Financial Reporting on Charitable Funds and Activities provision of the current general order.
- 6. Notification to Nobility:

A copy of the Fundraising Activities provisions of the current general order shall be printed in the temple publication at least once every calendar year. If there is no temple publication, then a copy shall be mailed to each Noble in the temple not later than the last day in March of each calendar year.

7. Discipline:

Any officer, Noble or temple which violates a provision of *Fundraising Activities* is subject to discipline pursuant to the bylaws of Shriners International.

Your 2016 Dues are Due!

If you haven't paid your dues for 2016, now's the time!

If you have paid, and have not received your dues card yet, please be patient as they are coming directly out of Shrine'rs International in Florida for the first time.

Thank you for supporting Al Bahr Shrine! Please contact the office should you have any questions. (858) 292-0092

Director's Staff

Nobles and Ladies.

By the time you have received this issue of the ALBAHRoMETER the Open House and the Nobility Ball will be in the history books. There was a great turn out turn out for both events and from what I observed everyone had a good time. Then it was off to Yuma for the Silver Spur Rodeo we had the maiden voyage of new wheels (it's new to us anyhow). It is good to see old friends and make some new ones I'm sure a grand time was had by all. I'm still looking at other Units and Clubs for any construction projects that you might need accomplished for your next function. Please contact me and we'll be happy to assist. Our Thursday Burger cook out is is in full swing. It's good to see Bob Stuckey and Steve Bumgarner at it again. So, come by and enjoy a burger and some comradery.

Bruce Smith Directors Staff President

Islanders Club

Thanks to all of our members who attended our Passing of the Gavel at our February meeting. We had a tremendous turnout of about 15 members and 10 quests. A buffet of Filipino food was enjoyed by everyone, plus birthday cake! Officers for 2016 are Randy Rojas, Pres., Jose QuintuaVice Pres., and Rudy Nobleza, Sec./Treas. We announced planned events for a busy year to include our annual Luau, a brunch fundraiser and a golf tournament. We received 12 applications at the meeting, which will increase our membership to over 100. As our exposure within Al Bahr and our enthusiasm expand, we are looking forward to a really great year. Please join us on the third Saturday each month for our luncheon meeting in the Islanders shed behind the Shrine Center.

Meet you in the islands! Randy Rojas, President



Greeters

The Greeter Officers hope that you all had a safe and healthy first part of 2016. Our next Greeter Meeting is March 9th so PLEASE attend your Greeter meetings and our meetings are open to anyone interested in checking out our Unit and or joining our unit..

If our Unit is to be a viable one, we need YOUR participation!!! Please attend your Greeter Shed meetings throughout the year. Remember, they are on the second Wednesday of each month unless you get an email from me stating otherwise. (usually due to a conflicting SR event, like this month) Again this year we will be asking you to contact me to RSVP your attendance at our meetings, so the quartermaster can schedule enough food for everyone. You may RSVP me back at this email address..... randalimi@aol.com or by calling me at my cell 619-888-mike (6453). It doesn't appear that our regular scheduled Greeter Shed meeting made it into the new Shrine Calendar, so please mark YOUR calendars as a reminder of our meeting dates. Second Wednesday of each month.

The Officers would like to ask you that if you have any suggestion on how to increase participation, please let us know.

Mike Randall Sec/Treasurer

Best Shrine Hamburgers



Served Every Thursday at the Directors Staff shed 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM · Stop on by!

Notice to the Divan, Unit and Club Officers, Event Chairman, and Nobles of Al Bahr Shrine, that as of Feb 2016, all activities, events, and receipts and any request for reimbursement from Al Bahr Shrine must be submitted to the Al Bahr Recorsers Office no later than 30 days following the activity, event. or basis for request of reimbursement has occured. Failure to timely request for reimbursement as set forth above may result in the request for reimbursement being denied. This policy does not apply to vendors (who are not members of Al Bahr Shrine) whom supply services to Al Bahr Shrine.



Past Masters

Noble Brothers,

Thank you to all who came out to support our Annual Past Masters Breakfast. Your support helps us to support the Al Bahr Shrine and also the Masonic Blue Lodges in our area - the organizations that actually make Freemasons. The Scottish Rite, the York Rite, and our Al Bahr Shrine provide wonderful philanthropic support for widows of Masons and children, but they don't make Masons. That is what Blue Lodges do. As a Freemason, I hope you agree that we should all support our mother lodges, by attending lodge frequently and helping out with special lodge events and degrees... even as sideliners. To that end, one goal of the Al Bahr Shrine's Past Masters Club is to help Blue Lodges with their degrees, when special needs arise. So in addition to our camaraderie at club meetings, one of our club's goal is, in effect, to help make Masons. If you are a sitting Masterora Past Master and not yet a club member, please consider joining us. Lastly, here's a plug for the Samaritan Drivers Club, which is near and dear to my heart. If you can drive a van, please consider becoming a Samaritan driver or ride-along to help drive kids and their guardians from the Mexican border up to the LA Shriners Hospital for Children. Even one day a month helps out. Contact Nobles Robert Mars or Gene Gillard and volunteer. Fraternally,

Mike Seiler, President

Motorcycle Riders Club

What an exciting time we had at the Club and Units party the day before the Nobility Ball. Our Club was well represented and provided some real good food to all that attended. Thanks Abe for the Chili and Sandra for the Mac and Cheese (I helped). Our Banner flew high and was easily recognized. Comradery was at the Maximum and giveaways were at each Club or Unit table. Friendships abounded. February was extraordinary with the Club being at the Silver Spur in Yuma. 7 of us road over and some drove and or towed. We met up with El Zaribah and their MC. We Partied (sensible) for 3 days and rode back Sunday. Big thanks El Zaribah and JC for the great trip through the back country of Arizona and all the fun. Also in February our club participated in the Passing of the Gavel Ceremony in the Red Fez Room at the Temple. The club attendance was awesome and the Divan attended as well. We had good food, great comradery and a ton of fun and a lot of appreciation and thanks to Abe for his awesome leadership during 2015.

March will prove to be even better. On the 12th, after the St Patrick parade, we plan on partaking of the scrumptious Corn Beef and Cabbage at the temple and take a ride to the Irish Center in Balboa Park to watch some Irish dancing, look for leprechauns and maybe a pot of Gold.

George Geanoulis

President

Antique Car Club

Antique Car Shrine Club

There will not be a meeting of the Club in March. Our next business meeting is set for Tuesday, April 12^{th} at the Shrine Center.

We are still at the shed every Thursday from 9am until 11am and you are invited to stop by. Plans are being made for a Club dinner on Tuesday, June 14th. Details to follow.

Richard Church, President

Sons of the Desert

Well another new year is here and with all the goings on we did not get around to writing an article for the last Albahrometer so this is an attempt to catch everyone up to current. Our annual get together and short stated meeting in December took place at Felipe's Restaurant. Everyone enjoyed the entre of their choice and the club picked up the tax and gratuity. There was forty in attendance and we filled the small room at Felipe's. Next time lets try to fill the big room. Also elected two new members into the Club. We are growing and hope to keep the momentum going. January 16 and 17 found us doing one of our fund raising events at the doll show at the temple. Many thanks to John Ford and his crew (especially his lady Nancy) for their hard work on this fund raiser. Other than our \$10 annual dues all our funds come from outside shrine membership. Our next stated meeting will be March 19th and 10:00am out in the shed in back. Following the meeting there will be a pot luck lunch. Our ladies bring delicious goodies to go along with the club furnished Hamburgers and Cheeseburgers. This meeting will serve as our passing of the gavel so we look forward the attendance of the Divan. We like to keep things as informal as possible so come on out and join us for good food and fellowship.

Hal Scott President

Yacht Club

O. K Sailors and guests, listen up:

March 17th is St. Patrick's day and also the YACHT CLUB'S next dinner meeting is at the Point Loma Cafe, at 4865 N. Harbor Drive, Pt. Loma. Come join us at 5:30 for grog and sea stories and 6:30 for grub ordered off Cookie's menu. We will be having a speaker who will be show'n and tellin us all about he and his family's experiences in Africa.

Our first sailing even aboard the Lakosil yacht was one of the best sailing days that I have spent at sea. Winds were great and the boat was smokin fast. A real fun event thanks to Bob and Fred Arney.

Remember to mark your calendar for the third Thursday of each month for our meetings this year.

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