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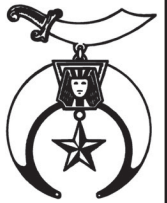
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*Wishing our  
Al Bahr Members & Their Families*



*Happy  
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Day*

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**SHRINE OFFICE HOURS**

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

**November 10<sup>th</sup> - Veteran's Day****November 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving****Upcoming Shrine Center  
Public Events**

Nov 3-5<sup>th</sup> . . . . . Gem & Mineral Show  
 Nov 12<sup>th</sup> . . . . . Stamps4Less  
 Nov 15<sup>th</sup> . . . . . Tierra del Sol 4X4 Wheel Club  
 Nov 20<sup>th</sup> . . . . . Canyon Quilters  
 Nov 29<sup>th</sup> . . . . . San Diego Fine Woodworkers

**Potentate's Message**  
**Larry Parker**

Our 168th Annual Grand Lodge Communication, celebrating 300 years of Freemasonry, was held October 13-15 in San Francisco, California. Grand Lodge Business was conducted on the 13th and 14th at the California Masonic Memorial Temple, and the 300th Anniversary Gala and Banquet Ceremonies were held in the Grand Ballroom of the Fairmont Hotel. It was a splendid formal occasion with activities for our ladies and family members, and a farewell to our Grand Master John Heisner, an Al Bahr Noble. The Chief Rabban Fund Raiser, featuring authentic Italian Cuisine, was held on Friday, 20 October. Thank you all for your attendance and support at the Fund Raiser, and it is hoped that you will attend the Stated Meeting and Dinner for the Chief Rabban Night, Friday, 17 November, at Al Bahr Shrine, where our Chief Rabban will be presiding over the Quarterly Stated Meeting. In addition, he will be providing you with an overview of Shrine events he has planned for the coming year and plans for Al Bahr Shriners and the Shrine Center.

Veterans' Day is Saturday, November 11th. Though many of us will be in Brawley or elsewhere, take a moment wherever you may be, to give thanks for those men and women who served and are serving, and STANDING READY always to protect and defend our Nation, its principles, and our way of life.

The Brawley Cattle Call Weekend is scheduled for November 10-12. Room rates in El Centro are very reasonable and reservations can be made through our Shrine Office at (858) 292-0092. Our stupendous "Imperial Valley Steak Fry" will once again occur on Friday evening, the 10th, the Brawley Parade with its vast local support beginning on Saturday morning, a hosted lunch on Saturday. At this point, I have no information on the Rodeo or purchase of tickets, usually held on Saturday night.

The Mother Goose Parade will be held in El Cajon on Sunday, November 19th. The Al Bahr Holiday Bazaar will be held at the Al Bahr Shrine Center on Saturday, December 2nd. The annual Shrine Election Meeting (Nobles Only) will be held on December 7th; please bring a current dues card (2017) to participate in this important event. The Honored Ladies Holiday Party will occur on December 9th; the Shrine Holiday Party chaired by Noble Gene Yee will occur December 16th.

**Brawley Cattle Call Weekend****EL CENTRO CALIFORNIA • November 10 - November 12****Travelodge (Formerly Vacation Inn) • Room - \$66.15 per night****Parade • Rodeo • Ice Cream Social • Hospitality Fellowship****Imperial Valley Shrine Club Steak Fry, Friday Night****Hotel rooms • No RV Parking available****Contact the Shrine office for all reservations (858) 292-0092****Rudy Nobleza, Chairman****Al Bahr Holiday Bazaar**

So what is this holiday bazaar? It's a craft show with local crafters plying their wares at Al Bahr Shrine on Saturday, December 2 from 9 - 3. It's also a chance to bring people from the community into the Shrine to see where we are and thanks to John Harris's TV screen in the lobby, see some of what our Nobles and Ladies do. Even more important, it's a chance for Al Bahr Shrine to have a fundraiser that brings in OTHER PEOPLE'S MONEY!

The success of this event depends on having enough crafters participating. We are still in the process of getting these vendors. Thank you to those who have already expressed interest in having a table, and thank you to those who are helping to organize this event.



If you have questions, please contact me:

Jayne Parker

jmparker310@gmail.com



At the October Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of California, our Al Bahr noble, John Heisner completed his year as Grand Master. A job well done by a dedicated, caring Mason. The new Grand Master is Bruce Galloway, a member of Ben Ali Shrine in Sacramento.

Members of Al Bahr Shrine who have assumed a position of leadership of in the Grand Lodger are:

**Chino Torres, Junior Grand Deacon**  
**Tom Colgan, Assistant Grand Lecturer**  
**Thomas Handell, Inspector**  
**Richard Bullard, Inspector**  
**John Crago, Inspector**  
**William Stokes, Inspector**  
**Romulo de Vera, Inspector**

Congratulations Nobles for your service to the Mason of California.

## Daughters of the Nile, Mecca Temple No.34

### Fall Activities in November include:

- 11/1 Dancers and Pageantry Meeting
- 11/7 Patrol Meeting, 10:30 am, Unity Lodge
- 11/8 North County Sewing, 10:00, Oceanside Lodge
- 11/13 SD Sewing, Chorus Meeting, 10:00, Unity Lodge, PQ Hostess
- 11/16 Third Queen's Party with Pages as hostesses
- 11/20 Luncheon, 11:00, Egyptian Aides as hostesses, Session 12:15

### Planning Ahead:

- 12/7 Practice for Supreme Queen's Visit
- 12/18 Supreme Queen's Visit at Scottish Rite Center

## Samaritan Drivers

As we count our blessing's we have another to be thankful for. It is indeed a pleasure to be able to inform you that our new clinic in Pasadena has passed all inspections, received it's license and opened the doors for business on October 12, 2017. While it will take a short while to start scheduling patients we should start making transport trips a week or two following that. It has been a long wait for the newest facility in the Shrine Medical System to become a reality but it has been well worth it. All that is left is for us to wait a time for patients. The month of September brought along another transport to to our hospital in Sacramento. While the cost is high (\$599.33) the outcome for the child makes it all worth while. As a bonus the driving team is well paid by the hugs and gratitude the patient and his escort give at the end of the eleven hour drive. All in all this along with the knowledge of helping a child on the road to recovery makes the two days spent on the road well worth the time given. Despite the slow down your road warriors accomplished putting 2849 miles on the vans. The fuel cost for these miles was \$530.71. They gave 265 hours in just 6 days of caring and sending love to the rescue. While the slow down was a welcome break we all are looking forward to getting back into the swing of things and helping our kids to "Defy The Odds". See you on down the road. Be safe and watch out for the other guy.

Gene, President

## Drum and Bugle Corps

Happy Thanksgiving to all our Nobles and their families. This message is a special shout out to our current Drum and Bugle Corps members. Sunday, November 19, is the annual Mother Goose Parade. Please attend our practice Saturday, November 4, meeting at 11 am, in the music shed. This is one of the bigger parades of the year and it would be nice to have all our members join us. The float is ready and the Past Master's truck is running smoothly. Hope to see everyone at our practice and parade. Happy Thanksgiving and may the Great Architect bless you and your families.

Bill Stokes, President



## 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.

Benson, James	Hampton, Robert	Magdaluyo, Gil	Thorpe, Lewis
Childress, Clyde	Hodge, Carmi	Markson, Richard E.	Trapp, Ronald
Condon, Howard	Hoffmark, William	Palmer, Mike R.	Tremblay, Frank
Crawford, Jim	Huszar, Skip	Plastik, Herb	Young, Wayne
Domingo, Bernardo	Kellner, Albert	Rafferty, Alexander	
Dudley, Kenneth	Kellogg, H. Glenn	Ramos, Roy B.	
Evans, Jack	Johnston, Doug	Rosemier, Dennis	
Galligan, Gordon	Latham, Ernest	Schoen, Frank	
Gordon, James	Lipa, Joseph	Smith, Sidney R.	

Please let us know of any other ill or indisposed members

## In Memoriam



NAME	BORN	CREATED A SHRINER	ENTERED INTO REST
Ralph Gordon	11/6/1940	12/6/86	9/26/17
John McCloskey***	1/15/18	6/18/55	10/31/16
Wilbur Coats	8/15/20	12/9/40	5/24/15
Jose Sosa	11/9/54	10/31/05	9/20/16
Harold Jacobson	4/15/32	4/29/77	8/14/17
Stanley Friedman	5/24/28	12/10/60	3/11/17
Cecil Jacobs	12/14/21	5/12/72	9/2/17
Henry Knowles	1/3/25	11/9/63	9/8/17
Dale Lloyd***	7/3/29	12/9/72	4/28/17
Donald Garauux	11/10/29	12/9/72	8/9/16

A donation in memory of these departed Nobles has been made to the Shrine Hospital Transportation Fund

Condolences to C. Robert Shaw on the passing of his wife Fay

## Donations and Remembrances from our Members and Friends

### Shrine Hospital Transportation Fund Donations

Samaritan Drivers' Teddy Bear Drive

### In Memory of Cliff Richards, PP:

Ann & Olen Woods, PP  
 Dependable Care Givers  
 Karen Bowling

**In Memory of Shelly Berman:**  
 Sons of the Desert Shrine Club

**In Memory of Pat Maxwell:**  
 Al Bahr Honored Ladies

**In Memory of Terry Boyd:**  
 Anne & Richard Barrett

**In Memory of Anna Moore:**  
 Al Bahr Honored Ladies

**In Memory of Joan Luce:**  
 Anne & Richard Barrett

**In Memory of Fay Shaw:**  
 Terry & Phil Johnson

**In Memory of Rachel Leuck:**  
 Al Bahr Honored Ladies

**In Memory of Katherine Ford Vance:**  
 Sons of the Desert Club

### Shriners Hospital for Children's Donations

William Magnum

### Pillar of the Temple Donations

Wilcox Estate

Fred Meinken Estate

## Rancho Bernardo Shrine Club

November 9th is the Annual Anniversary Party of the Club at Carvers Steak and Chop House in Rancho Bernardo. The members and their ladies are looking forward to another great evening of fellowship. If you live in the North County and might be interested in our Club, please contact secretary Phil Johnson, 619/884-5440 for additional information. The RB Club is one of the few remaining Shrine Clubs which holds a monthly social and dinner meeting with our ladies.

Norm Rentle, PP, President



## Mel Stein Biography For Election As Treasurer

Most Worshipful Mel Stein was initiated in Al Bahr Shrine in 1964. In 2013 he received his 50 year pin from San Diego Lodge No. 35 and in 2014 his 50 year pins from Al Bahr and San Diego Scottish Rite Bodies. In 1962 he graduated with a Bachelor of Business Administration Degree in accounting and in 1965 received his Juris Doctor Degree and began the general practice of law. Mel retired after 47 years as an attorney.

Mel served as Master of San Diego Lodge No. 35 in 1972; Venerable Master in the San Diego Scottish Rite Bodies in 1993, followed by a short term as Asst. Personal Representative. He was coroneted an Inspector General Honorary of the 33rd Degree in 1991. Mel became Potentate of Al Bahr Shrine in 2000 and served as its Treasurer in 2016 and 2017.

Mel was installed as Grand Master of Masons in California in 2006. He was elected as Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Los Angeles Shriners Hospital for Children. He also served for 9 years on the Board of the California Masonic Foundation; presently serves on the Masonic Trial Review Committee and spent 33 years on Grand Lodge committees. He has been active in community affairs including a one year term on the San Diego County (Civil) Grand Jury; Board of Directors of the Honorary Sheriffs Association; President of the San Diego Past Grand Jurors Association; County Parole Board; appointed by the County Board of Supervisors to the Past Grand Jurors Implementation Review Committee; Chairman of the San Diego Kiwanis Foundation; Board of Directors of Tifereth Israel Synagogue; and Board of Directors of the San Diego/Imperial Council of Girl Scouts and Chairman of its Organizational Task Force.

## Membership Recap

Membership as of January 1, 2017 .....	1215
Creations .....	18
Affiliations .....	1
Associations .....	0
Associate Dropped .....	1
Restorations .....	15
Demits .....	5
Deaths .....	42
Suspensions .....	0
Membership as of September 30, 2017 .....	1200

## Recorder

It's election time again here at Al Bahr. I want to announce I will be running for Recorder once again. I have my list of qualifications here in the office if you really want to see them. Otherwise on with the good stuff! November brings Turkeys, Stuffing, and Brawley! November 10 and 11 is Brawley and a trip inland to support the Imperial Valley Shrine Club. You know what a great parade is, and this is it, so head out to Brawley and participate. You will not be disappointed! We also have the Chief Rabban Stated Meeting on November 17th. The Fun, the Fellowship! Come see and hear what Oscar has planned for 2018! Great news to end the month we are back in the Mother Goose parade on November 19th! Remember every Thursday is burgers at the Director's staff shed from 11AM to Noon. It's a great chance to get a good upside down burger and socialize with everyone including your Potentate and Divan. You can email us at [office@albahrshrine.org](mailto: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](mailto:recorder@albahrshrine.org).

**Please provide your email address to the Shrine office so that you will receive the latest and most current information of Al Bahr Shrine via the email blasts. You may also request that your Al Bahr O Meter be sent electronically.**

## Assistant Rabban - Gene Yee

Hello, Nobles, and Happy Thanksgiving to you and your families. Our Shrine has a lot to be thankful for. We have many holidays to celebrate, from Veterans Day (U.S.) on November 11, to the York Rite Knights Templar Commandery Harbor Cruise Dinner on the 18th, to Revolution Day (Mexico) on November 20, to Thanksgiving on the 23rd. Thanksgiving to me is year round, as we give thanks to the Supreme Architect of the Universe for our brethren, and honoring them for the unsung work they do on behalf of our fraternity and for us, day in and day out. Most brothers don't see, nor know the amount of work done to earn these things – a 50 year membership pin to Noble C. Ray Barnes (also Al Bahr Past Masters) at Lemon Grove; the 2017 Hiram Award to Noble Roberto Saucedo at San Diego 35 (also a Samaritan Driver); to the large generous donation by Noble Tom Hom to the Pasadena Hospital construction project; to the completion of the issuance of a Shrine Hospital ID card to Noble Mario Posada (Samaritan Driver) AFTER he and Gene Number 3 (Gillard) urgently drove a burn victim from San Diego to the Sacramento hospital – this was his checkout ride! Whether we are a new Shriner, or have been around for years, every day we still shoulder our part of the Al Bahr load, most without having to be asked. For this, I know we all say, "Thank you, my Brother Noble. Happy Thanksgiving."

## Motorcycle Riding Club

Greetings Nobles! Due to travel and technology SNAFUS I'm playing catch up with everyone. However, The Al Bahr Motorcycle Riders Club remains active. Here is what we've been up to and what we have coming up. We have enjoyed some great rides over the summer, explored great roads and areas of Southern California and met some interesting folks. Like Terry Ulmer an Alpine man who had a WWII era replica bridge of a Destroyer on his property, along with a replica rocket launcher which can be moved about and aimed as well as seen from I-8. We've eaten at neighborhood joints and biker bars like Hell's Kitchen and meet up with riders from other areas. We've supported other clubs and units with their events, and continue to try to be relevant and engaged. Our November stated ride will be to support the Shrine involvement in the Mother Goose Parade. Whether to just support or participate is yet to be determined. Do you ride? Know someone who does? Come on out and join us, we'd love to have you. All comers all bikes are welcome!

Please look twice for motorcycles and Ride Safe!

George Page, Club President 2017

## Al Bahr Shrine Stated Meeting & Dinner honoring Chief Rabban Oscar Cañedo and Lady Sarah Friday, November 17, 2017

Be it known that a regular stated meeting of Al Bahr Shrine is called for  
Friday, November 17, 2017  
at the Al Bahr Shrine Center, 5440 Kearny Mesa Road, San Diego, California  
beginning at 7:30 PM.

The meeting will consist of receipt of petitions for membership, financial reports, committee reports and other such matters which may rightfully come before the membership. A 2017 dues card is required for admission

Fraternally, Attest:  
Larry Parker, Potentate John Harris, Recorder

### Stated Meeting Dinner

Social 5:30 Dinner 6:15

\$20 per person, advance reservations required

Salad • Boneless BBQ ribs • Vegetables • Baked Potato • Dessert

## Chief Rabban - Oscar O. Cañedo

I would like to thank you for your continued support of our Al Bahr Shrine's mission. November is here, and we have many activities coming up. On the National scene we will have our Shriners Hospital PGA Open in Las Vegas, November 2-5, and here at home we have the Brawley Cattle Call November 10-11. Our Chief Rabban Stated Meeting and Dinner is the 17th of November. The Mother Goose Parade on the 19th is right before our Nation's celebration of Thanksgiving Day. God bless you and your families.

Espero que ustedes y sus familias se encuentren bien. Muchas gracias por su apoyo del propósito y labor de los Shriners de Al Bahr. Este mes tendremos muchas actividades: El Shriners Hospital PGA Open en Las Vegas el 2-3 de noviembre. Aquí en Brawley, California el "Brawley Cattle Call" con su desfile el 10-11 de noviembre. El 17 de noviembre será Nuestra Junta/Cena del Jefe Rabán. No olvide llamar a la oficina para hacer reservaciones. El Desfile "Mother Goose" en El Cajón, CA seguirá el 19 y celebraremos El Día de Acción de Gracias el 23. ¡Qué Dios los Bendiga!

## Directors Staff

The end of October will be the Chief Rabban's fundraiser and we'll have to see what sort of magic that Dockerty and the rest of the Staff can come up with. I hope everyone had fun at the fund raiser. We're just around the corner for the parade at Brawley on 11 Nov 2017 and then the Mother Goose on Nov 19th. Then you throw in Veterans Day and Thanksgiving. Talk about a busy month! I wanted to thank everybody in the Directors Staff for their support in these different projects whether it be directly in producing the different backdrops or in a support roll such as cooking for the burger cookout. It all matters. I'm still looking at other Units and Clubs for any construction projects that you might need accomplished for your next function. The only request that we have is that the request come in at least 60 days in advance of the event to give us time to develop the project. Our Thursday Burger cook out is in full swing. It's good to see Bob Stuckey, James Glunt and Steve Bumgarner at it again. It looks like the attendance to the Thursday affair has increased pretty soon we'll have a cast of thousands which is a good thing. So, come by and enjoy a burger and some comradery.

*Bruce Smith, Directors Staff President, (619)840-1943*

**Best Hamburgers served every Thursday 11:00 am to 12:00 pm**

## Greeters

A thank you to those nobles and ladies who participated in the Greeters fund raising event in September. It was a good afternoon and a chance to share some hospitality. The next Greeter Meeting is Tuesday, November 14th 2017. Any Al Bahr member is welcome to attend our Greeter meeting as our meetings are open to anyone interested in checking out our Unit and/or joining our unit. It can be fun and you don't have to walk in any of the parades, if our Greeter Bus is there. To OUR Greeters, we need YOUR participation!!! Please attend your Greeter Shed meetings throughout the year. Please make sure that I have your current email address. Please RSVP your attendance at our meetings, so the quartermaster can schedule enough food for everyone. You may RSVP me back at this email address..... [randallmi@aol.com](mailto:randallmi@aol.com) or by calling me at my cell 619-888-mike (6453).

*Mike Randall  
Sec/Treasurer*

## Honored Ladies

The next meeting of the Honored Ladies of Al Bahr Shrine will be Saturday, November 11th. Come at 9:30 for coffee and snacks and browse the book table. The meeting then starts at 10:00. All are welcome to stay and play dominoes after the meeting. Plan to attend our Holiday Luncheon Saturday, December 9th. Social time 11:30, lunch at 12:00 noon. The menu selection is your choice of Chicken Cordon Bleu or Salmon. Cost is \$20. For reservations contact Ruby Hill at (619) 473-9089 or buy your ticket at the November meeting. Deadline for reservations is Tuesday, December 5th. Because of Thanksgiving, there will be no Game Day in November. Additionally, there will be no Game Day in December due to the holidays. Game Day will resume in January! Hope to see you at the Honored Ladies meeting November 11th and at the Holiday Luncheon December 9th. November 11th is Veteran's Day, a time to remember and honor all those who have and are serving in the Armed Forces. And, for those who gave their life, the ultimate sacrifice, for our beloved United States of America.

Happy Thanksgiving to all...we have MUCH to be thankful for!  
*Alice Mansfield, scribe*



For all the latest and most up to date information, refer to the website [www.albahrshrine.org](http://www.albahrshrine.org). This site includes the online Shrine calendar.



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## Shaaru Court #37

Another of Shaaru Court #37 unit is the Dancing Diamond Divas (Dancers) who performed at the Western Area Organized Unit meet in Pheonix, AZ in September 2017. Please join us for a monthly first showtime of the day movie (of your choice) at Ultra Star Cinemas Mission Valley Hazard Center – 7510 Hazard Center Drive, San Diego 92108 (1 blk East Fwy 163/approx. 3 blks North Fwy 8). (619) 685-2841 or online <http://boxoffice.printtixusa.com/ultrastar/movies?y=5642> for movies, description and FIRST SHOWTIMES. Cost will be \$7.00 at Box Office PLUS \$5.00 at our table for Wristband entitling you to Small popcorn & Regular size soda/coffee/tea/water. Open to anyone who enjoys movies to bring family, friends, neighbors. Questions call Lady Dee Brown (858) 598-5012. This is for the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

**Shrine Election 2018 Meeting**  
**Thursday December 7th**  
**Official Notice to be published in December Issue**

## Tin Lizzies

We have spots open and Lizzies available if you would like to join us, just contact one of us! Look for a Tin Lizzie open house event coming soon at the sheds! We will hopefully have Lizzies out to sit in, drive around the building, talk about, examine, poke, etc.

There are only a couple of Parades in November but man are they good ones! Brawley is in November 11th and Mother Goose is on November 19th. To join the Lizzies, we require attendance at a couple of parades and here is your chance! Give me a call and we can hitch up a tow seat for you and you can ride in style through the parade with the best Unit in Al Bahr, the Tin Lizzies! Aooooogah! Early December brings the double dip parade day for North Park and the night parade in Fallbrook. Mark December 2nd and come out to a real night parade in Fallbrook that just lines the streets! For this one we support the Fallbrook Lodge who bring in Santa at the end of the parade. It's cold, dark, and full of lights, sounds, and people cheering as the Lizzies go aooooogah!

Remember, it's all for the kids.

John Harris, [john@hamsalad.net](mailto:john@hamsalad.net) 858.245.9696

## Gene Yee, Assistant Rabban, Candidate for Chief Rabban

Dear Nobles of Al Bahr Shriners,  
I wish to announce my candidacy for the office of 2018 Chief Rabban for Al Bahr Shriners. I am pleased to present my background to your consideration.  
Raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason in San Diego Lodge #35 on January 9, 1981. Life Member of SD Lodge #35.  
Consultant, Grand Lodge Film and Creative Projects Committee 1986-1991;  
Created a Noble of Al Bahr Shriners 1992. Life Member.  
2017 Assistant Rabban  
Voting Representative of Al Bahr Shriners at Imperial Sessions  
2017 Liaison to Baja California Shrine Clubs  
Member, Peace Officers Shrine Club, Islanders, and Yacht Club  
Ambassador for six years  
President, Peace Officers Shrine Club 2002  
Life Member of Aloha Shriners; affiliated in 1995  
Member, Aloha Patrol 1995-96  
32° San Diego Valley Scottish Rite 1992. Life Member Scottish Rite.  
Life Member, San Diego Commandery #25, Knights Templar, Currently Commander Templar Year 2017  
Life Member, San Diego Chapter No. 61, Royal Arch Masons  
Life Member, San Diego Council No. 23, Cryptic Masons  
Life Member, San Diego Chapter York Rite College No. 148.  
Life Member, La Paloma Star # 96, Order of Eastern Star  
I have substantial organizational management experience.  
Chief Financial Officer of the largest cable TV system in the US, many years Vice President.  
Director General, radio station network, growing from 1 to 9 stations and a satellite network.  
Director of Finance and Administration -- nonprofit 5 station TV network.  
24 yrs- member, Board of Directors of two statewide nonprofit foundations.  
Member of the Board of the County Employees pension fund, including a term as Chairman, for 16,000 employees – five years.  
I appreciate your consideration of my experience and qualifications to serve you and Al Bahr Shriners as your Chief Rabban in 2018.  
Respectfully submitted, Gene Yee

## Christopher Gunn, Candidate for the Office of Oriental Guide, Al Bahr Shriners

It is indeed my pleasure to offer myself as a candidate for the Office of Oriental Guide of Al Bahr Shriners for 2018.

I was born in the Philippines, July 1957, and served 30 years in the United States Marine Corps, attaining the rank of Sergeant Major, with service at home and abroad, including Lebanon, Afghanistan and Iraq. For my service I was fortunate to be the recipient of many awards and commendations including the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal, Navy Commendation Medal with gold star.

Raised a Master Mason in 2007, I have served in appointed and elected offices of my Lodge and was elected Master of Black Mountain Lodge #845 in 2012. I have also served as treasurer, officers coach and editor of the monthly publication for my Lodge.

I am an endowed (life) member of Black Mountain Lodge, San Diego Scottish Rite, San Diego Chapter Royal Arch Masons, San Diego Council Cryptic Masons, San Diego Commandery, Al Bahr Shriners, currently serving as the Commander of the Legion of Honor.

My appendant and concordant memberships include the National Sojourners, Hero of '76.

I am active in many of the local Veterans Organizations and Community groups.

A proud father of a daughter and son, I am fully supported by my wife Abigail, in my efforts and desire to be of further service to Al Bahr Shrine and the Shriners Hospital for Children.

Thank you for your consideration.



## Calling all Honored Ladies

Are you interested in meeting with other Shrine widows and maintaining your relationship with Al Bahr Shrine?  
Are you interested in having a good time?  
Are you interested in good food?  
Are you interested in a monthly game day at the Shrine Center?

Join the Al Bahr Honored Ladies and be placed on our mailing list. You will be

advised of our various functions.

Contact the Shrine office at 858/292-0092 and they will forward your inquiry to the Honored Ladies officers.

## Sons of the Desert

Our September stated meeting was well attended followed by brats & fixings at the Greeters shed prepared by Jack Knich & Mike Randall. Great food & good company! Our Shrine clowns recently made good use of the newly repaired cotton candy machine at the Normal Heights street fair. The next SOD stated meeting will be on November 18th (10 am) at Filippi's restaurant. RSVP to John Ford (760 788 7858) for reservations. Everyone welcome.

***Al Bahr Shrine thanks all of our  
advertisers for supporting us!  
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## KEITH A. VANCE

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## Brawley and Mother Goose Parades

November is a busy month for Al Bahr Parades. The first parade is the very popular Brawley Cattle Call Parade on Saturday, November 11th. but the fun begins on Friday evening with a visit with social time and a opportunity to enjoy the fellowship of your fellow Shriners. Bright and early we will be traveling from El Centro to Brawley for the Annual Brawley Cattle Call Parade. If possible we will have two temple vans available for transportation from The Shrine Center to the hotel, and on to the Parade. Brawley is a very well attended parade with the crowd stacked 5 to 10 people deep along most of the route.. After the parade we will return to El Centro for the lunch at the hotel. Always a good meal at a reasonable rate. After lunch the vans will be headed back to Al Bahr. If you do return to the Shrine Center, you will miss the rest of the weekend and special activities and dinners. There has been an ice cream social and good times. There have been rooms set aside for your reservations at the Travelodge 2015 Cottonwood Circle, El Centro (Formerly Vacation Inn) Contact the Shrine Center for more information and reservations. (Note: No overnight RV Parking)

Mother Goose is again on our calendar for a November 20th Parade. There have been changes to the parade route for this year. The parade route is 1.2 Miles from El Cajon and Main Street to 1st Avenue and Main Street. I am still waiting for suggestions from the Parade Committee for Initial mustering area to the head of the Parade. I have been assured that there will be no restrictions on the participation, as last year. As more information becomes available, notices of the parades information will be sent via email. If you have not participated recently, please let me know so that you can be included in the planning and participation for these Parades.

Al Bahr has also signed up for the North Park Toyland Parade on December 10th. That will conclude the Plans for 2017 and we look forward to the Parade line-up for 2018!

Bob Mars, Commandant of Units.



Plans are now underway for the

Potentate / Nobility Gala 2018 ♦ Friday, January 19th

Unit and Club Reception ♦ Saturday, January 20th Potentate / Nobility Gala

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***Holiday Party***

Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at the Shrine Center  
 Save this date for a year ending special event  
 for the Nobles and Ladies.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
November			1	2 D Staff Burgers	3	4 Drum & Bugle SM
5	6 Past Potentate's LM	7 D Staff SM	8 Golf Club Outing	9 D. Staff Burgers Rancho Bernardo DM	10 Shrine Office Closed Veteran's Day Brawley Cattle Call TJ Clinic Burn Outreach	11 Brawley Cattle Call Brawley Parade Honored Ladies Veteran's Day
12	13	14 Greeters SM	15 Peace Officers SM	16 D. Staff Burgers Yacht Club SM	17 <b>Stated Meeting &amp; Chief Rabban Night</b>	18 Sons of the Desert SM Islanders SM EL
19 Mother Goose Parade	20 Clowns EL	21	22	23 Office Closed Thanksgiving	24 Office Closed	25 Legion of Honor SM
26	27	28	29	30 RV Club Outing DV D Staff Burgers	1 RV Club Outing DV	2 RV Club Outing DV