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The selling of Gun Give-Away tickets has started and we need the support of all Shrine Clubs, Units and Shriners collectively to make this our best event ever. You can get tickets from the Recorder, for this great fund raiser, at the Recorders Office Mon-Fri, from 9 am to 4 pm, except on weekends and holidays. If you need a large quantity of tickets please phone ahead, by calling 334-279-9174, so the tickets can be set aside for you.

# The Alcazar Noble

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## **Elected Divan**

Paul B. Mann, *Potentate*Ernie Lollar, *Chief Rabban*Rick Boyett, *Assistant Rabban*Jeremy C. Ogletree, *High Priest & Prophet*Larry Hall, *Oriental Guide*Allen Daniels, *Treasurer*Lee R. Sims, P.P., *Recorder* 

# **Appointed Divan**

Andy Compton, 1st Ceremonial Master
Spence Stewart, 2nd Ceremonial Master
Marvin Johnson, Temple Director
Bill Forshey, Sr., Parade Marshal
David Huff, Marshal
Barry Barnett, Captain of the Guard
Jim Bryant, Outer Guard
Tom Harris, Chaplain

# Imperial Representatives

Paul B. Mann, *Potentate*Ernie Lollar, *Chief Rabban*Rick Boyett, *Assistant Rabban* 

# **Dixie Shrine Association Representatives**

Ernie Lollar, *Chief Rabban* Allen Daniels, *Treasurer* 

# Southeastern Shrine Association

Lee Sims, P.P.

# Potentate's Staff

Walter Champion, Chief of Staff

# **Hospital Transportation**

Chuck Kelly, *Director of Transportation*Leon Brown, *Valley*Ray Matheson, *Wiregrass*Sanford Suggs, *Clay County*Robert Daughtry, *Geneva County*Bob Wheeler, *Phenix City* 

# **Finance Committee**

Andy Compton, Chairman Jack Crysel Clyde Jones, P.P. Marvin Johnson Dave Russell Gene Moseley Charlie Higgins, Emeritus

# **Buildings and Grounds Committee**

Jack Crysel Barry Barnett David Huff David Royal Dave Russell Danny Lockwood Jim Randolph, P.P., Emeritus Charlie Higgins, Emeritus

# **Insurance Committee**

Gene Moseley, *Chairman*Paul B. Mann, Potentate
Flayvous Ray, P.P., Recorder
Allen Daniels, Treasurer
Clyde Jones, P.P.
Hall Walker, P.P.
Dan Cook
Larry Hall, Temple Attorney

# **Public Relations Committee**

Andy Compton, Chairman

### **Donor Relations Committee**

Endowments, Wills, Gifts and \$100 Million Dollar Club Jim Randolph, P.P., *Co-Chair* John Van Valkenburg, *Co-Chair* 

# Membership Committee

Larry Stinson, MWPGM, Chairman

# **Alcazar Shrine Clubs**

# **Autauga County SC**Dave Russell, President

334-365-9907 Dave Russell drruss47@aol.com Meeting: 4th Tues. Monthly Time: 6:30 pm Prattville Masonic Lodge

# **Covington County SC**

Billy Hughes, President 334-388-4352 padams@oppcatv.com Meeting: 4th Thurs. Monthly Time: 6 pm Call for Location

# **Crenshaw County SC**

Andy Compton, Sec. 334-527-3544 hm. 334-382-8590 wk. 334-342-0036 cell andy.compton@alabpp.gov Meeting: 3rd Mon. Monthly Time: 7 pm

# DOER SC (Enterprise)

Richard Beasley, Pres. Cell: 334-806-8132 Home 334-393-9023 oliver26@roadrunner.com Meeting: Social, 2nd Thurs. Monthly Business Meeting: 4th Thurs. Monthly Time: 6:30 pm Call for Location

# Geneva SC

Allen Mote, President
334-684-9393
motebodyworks@centurytel.net
700 E Magnolia Ave
Geneva, AL
Meeting: 1st Tues. Monthly
Time: 6 pm
Geneva Shrine Club Building

# **Phenix City SC**

Greg Moore, President 334-468-0054 Shirley@fllaw2.com Meeting: 1st & 3rd Wed. Monthly Time: 7 pm (Eastern time) Phenix City Shrine Club

# **Troy SC**

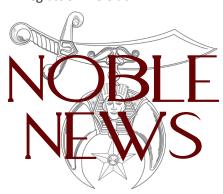
Homer Homann, P.P., President 334-735-9791 hm. 334-372-3246 cell troyshrineclub@troycable.net Meeting: 2nd Thurs. Monthly Time: 7 pm

# **Valley SC**

Eddie Adams, President 334-750-1006 leonb@charter.net Meeting: 1st Thurs. Monthly Lanett Masonic Lodge

# **Wiregrass SC**

William C. Moon, President 334-790-9337 williammoon@comcast.net Meeting: 1st Mon Monthly (If Holiday, 2nd Monday) Wiregrass Shrine Club



# MESSAGE FROM THE POTENTATE

Greetings Nobles,

I must stop and thank everyone for affording me the opportunity to serve this year as your Potentate. It is indeed an honor and responsibility. We have had lots of success this year and some failures. We are living in challenging times and the Shrine is not exempt from the challenges. No one gets up in the morning, peers into the mirror and says, "I want to fail." If I had a wish list, it would include, working to make the Alcazar Shrine, the number one model, for all to envy. At Imperial this year it was quite evident, the challenges extend, from the local Shrine temples to Shriners International. One thing is clear; we are here for the greater good – serving children throughout the world. Now, just like us, Shriners International is working tirelessly to reduce overhead and cut costs wherever possible. Let me make our financial status crystal clear. The membership dues we collect, for Alcazar each year does



not even cover the overall costs of the temple utilities (\$58K) or the annual insurance costs (\$76K). We survive on fund raisers to include bingo, temple rentals, Buckmasters, gun show income, the annual gun giveaway, and several other temple and club functions. Having said all this let me assure you we have many other expenses that add to our challenges – like payroll, building maintenance and repair, routine fire safety and health inspections. Why am I telling you all this – we need the support of all our members to make this temple operate efficiently and effectively. We are appointing a "Planning Committee" to prepare a study/ report, listing our options for downsizing. There are no preconceived ideas in this effort. It is for the sole purpose of looking at our long-term future options should the realization of fiscal constraints affect our existence. So, please understand, we are not planning on selling the temple, only preparing for the future success of the Alcazar temple.

Now, I want to talk about "LEADERSHIP! Good leadership starts at the top and you should expect your DIVAN, to lead by example. If we have failed you as a leadership team you should work diligently to replace us in the December elections. Having said that -- is it the whole team who has failed you or one or two members – YOU decide? Then in December vote your conscience. YOUR "vote" is very important to the success of the Alcazar Shrine. Do what is right for the good of the order.

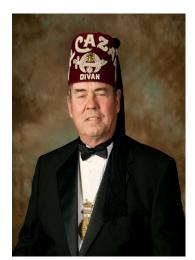
We still have several functions and fund raisers to complete this year and I encourage the nobility and their ladies to become active and get involved – we need your support more than ever before. With your help, we cannot only meet the challenges ahead, but set an example for all Shrine temples. Remember, membership is still our number one priority. If you see a new member and/or his lady wearing a "Red Badge" make them feel welcome and let them know what Shriners are all about. Supporting the Children world-wide!

Yours in the Faith, Paul B. Mann, Potentate

Family Fun, Fellowship & Harmony

# FROM THE DIVAN

# ERNIE LOLLAR, CHIEF RABBAN



Greetings Nobles & Ladies,

Once again I mention "My how time flies." Since our last NOBLE NEWS we have had two more major fund raisers. The Buckmasters Annual Expo was held in August at the Civic Center. Like we have done for the last few years we had a table there and sold Gun Giveaway tickets. Sales were good. Thanks to everyone who was part of the team for your very hard work.

At the end of August we had the Annual Shrine Circus at the Shrine Center. All the Children and "Kids at Heart" had a great time. It looks like this event was a major success as our ticket sales went very well. THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! to all the Nobles and Ladies who spent many tireless hours preparing and working this event?

Nobles we continue our prayer support for Illustrious Sir Flayvous Ray as he continues to recover in Birmingham and also, Lady Cornelia Wofford who is still at home recovering. We pray they will soon be well so that they may soon be able to join us again.

Thanks again for all your support and all the things you do for Alcazar. If Lady Debbie or I can be of any help to any of you feel free to contact us.

Yours in the Faith, Ernie Lollar, Chief Rabban

ALCAZAR BINGO
6 P.M. Each Tuesday
Come Play or Come Help
Volunteers Needed!
(all the Recorder's Office
(334) 279-9174

# JEREMY C. OGLETREE, HIGH PRIEST & PROPHET



Greetings Nobles & Ladies,

Most nobles ask what to seek for when researching to elect a candidate for the divan. Let me shed some light upon the subject of what is needed. The first order of business you should consider is whether the candidate is a leader or follower. Next approach the candidate to understand his aspiration. Is there any underlying drive that is expressed? If no type of expressed motive is distinguish

look for the candidate's articulation and or vision. Is he sensitive to members or does he display unnecessary reckless behavior. Education of the candidate should weigh upon your decision process. How are his morals, principals, and ethics? Seriously how are they? Most importantly can he develop and sell a vision set by Shriner's International.

The divan ladder is climbed year after year until the goal of Potentate is achieved. It is unrealistically to consider that the first step of Oriental Guide will be the same person when given the title of Potentate. Andrew Carnegie stated "you cannot push anyone up the ladder unless he is willing to climb a little" Leaders are not born they are made. Therefore Potentates are not born they are made. Potentates are made by the divan understanding when to lead and when to follow. Nothing can conclusively prove the candidates ability to lead except by what he demonstrates day to day to lead himself. You the nobles are to make that decision when in quest of a candidate. Remember good leaders need good followers.

Yours in the Faith, Jeremy C. Ogletree, High Priest & Prophet

# LEE R. SIMS, P.P., RECORDER



Greetings Nobles,

I would like to thank everyone for electing me and allowing me to serve as Recorder of Alcazar Shriners for the remainder of this year.

The Recorders office continues to work each day for Alcazar and you, the membership of Alcazar, and for the betterment of our Temple. Membership continues to be a work in progress. If you know a Noble that has failed to pay his dues please contact him and have him get his dues paid. We do not need to lose any more Nobles for nonpayment of dues.

We have many more functions during the remainder of the year. I hope each one of you will come and bring a Noble that has not been active at our functions. Date Night that was held on July 26, 2013 was a big success. We had a nice crowd with many of our new Nobles and their ladies present to enjoy a wonderful steak dinner. We will have another Date Night on August 31, 2013 and I am sure it will also be a wonderful meal and big success. Come join us, have a good meal, enjoy each other's company and support your Temple.

In October we will have the Gun Giveaway. All Nobles were sent drawing tickets and requested to purchase them. We have gotten some back with payments but there are many more still not purchased. If you do not wish to purchase them please sell them to someone you know. If you are still working see if your employer will buy a sponsorship. If you need additional books of tickets contact me in the Recorders office and I will see that you get them.

Again, I hope to see everyone at our upcoming events and remember, the Recorders office is here to serve the nobility. If I can be of assistance, please call me.

Yours in the Faith, Lee R. Sims, P.P., Recorder

# ALLEN DANIELS, TREASURER



Donations to Alcazar June 2013

General Fund Henry Pitts – Southeast Stamping Company Donald Smith

Donations to Alcazar July 2013

Transportation
Mary Godwin – in memory
of Shane Strickland

Mary Godwin – in memory of Alvin Carter Director's Staff – in memory of Jackie Randolph

Shriners Hospital for Children - Greenville Judith Sutton Cindy Rowe Mr. & Mrs N. L. Randolph Gary Sherrill Mr. & Mrs. Landon C. Brake Ilse Mears

Phenix City Shrine Club – Cincinnati

Phenix City Shrine Club – Greenville

Phenix City Shrine Club – Philadelphia

Phenix City Shrine Club – Tampa

General Fund

Bennie C. Beckham

Many thanks for your generous donations!

Yours in the faith, Allen Daniels, Treasurer

# CHUCK KELLY, RENTAL MANAGER

Greetings Nobles,

**Rentals:** By the time you read this school will be back in session and we will be moving into the Fall Season.

I want to exhort you if you even think you will need a rental for an upcoming seasonal party, please call me now! I have already had to work with nobles on alternate dates because of prior rental contracts. I hate to have to tell a noble that the facility is rented and not available to them.

I have already been contacted by several potential renters for the coming year and I already have several contracts pending or signed for 2014. If you have a special date that you would like to celebrate "on the hill" please contact me early. I am already renting for 2014. Please don't wait to call me now if you want the facilities next year. This includes potential potentates.

**Transportation:** I want to take a moment of your valuable time to introduce myself, Chuck Kelly, as the newly appointed Director of Transportation. To quote Ray Stevens, "It's me again, Margaret!" I am serving for the good of the Temple and at the request of the Potentate and Nobles and I am extremely honored to be selected for this prestigious position. I truly believe in the saying "Its all for the kids". The Road Runners are where the rubber meets the road. We are always in search of new drivers so please call me if you are interested in transporting "our children."

I would also like to take a moment to pass along a special Thank-you to Leon Brown, Ray Matheson, Robert Daughtry, and Robert Wheeler, the transportation coordinators at the local clubs. I especially want to say thank-you to Noble Robert Wheeler of the Phenix City Shrine club. He demonstrates the true Shriner spirit.

Once again, thanks to all of the Road Runners.

Yours in the Faith, Chuck Kelly, Rental Manager & Director of Transportation

# LADIES' CORNER

Dear Alcazar Ladies,

I would like to thank all the wonderful ladies that baked, worked the bake sale and walked the floor for the cake raffles during the Temple gun show in July. We had a lot of delicious cakes, brownies and cookies. I would like to take this time to remind everyone that



we have another bake sale September 21st and 22nd. I hope we can count on you again. I will be calling you closer to the dates to remind you.

We have some fun dates coming up and hope to see you as many as your schedules will permit.

Here are some additional dates to put on your calendar:

Western Cookout: September 14th - 6:30 pm Date Night: September 27th - 6:30 pm Gun Giveaway: October 5th - 11:00 am Fall Ceremonial (9:00 am) & Oktoberfest: October 19th - (5-9 pm)

The Quarterly Business Meeting will be October 11th at 7:30 PM. Remember Ladies, we always get together and meet at the same time. During this time we will discuss the changes we have made to our account and you will be given a complete report of our current finances.

Ladies I know the November 2nd and 3rd bake sale is a long way away but please put this date on your calendar. We need everyone's help to make this a success. You will be getting a reminder call closer to this date.

In closing please pray for those in the military and those that are sick and or in the hospital.

Dottie Lou Sims, First Lady



# QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING NOTICE

# Official Call of the Potentate

Notice is hereby given that a Quarterly Business Meeting of Alcazar Shrine will be held at the time and place shown below for the purpose of conducting any business as may come before the temple.

2013 Dues Card required for admission
Friday October 11, 2013
7:30 pm (Central Time)
The Red Fez
Alcazar Shrine Center
555 East Blvd
Montgomery, Alabama
Office 334-279-9174
Refreshments following the meeting

Potentate Paul B. Mann Attested: Recorder Lee R. Sims, P.P.



# Mark Your Calendars!

**SEPTEMBER 14** 

Western Cookout – 6:30 pm (Red Fez)

SEPTEMBER 21ST & 22ND

CASC Gun Show (Shrine Temple)

**SEPTEMBER 27, 2013** 

Date Night – 6:30 pm (Red Fez)

**OCTOBER 5, 2013** 

Sportsman's Gun Giveaway – 11:00 am (Red Fez)

OCTOBER 19, 2013

Fall Ceremonial – 9:00 am (Shrine Temple)

**OCTOBER 19, 2013** 

Oktoberfest – 5:00 to 9:00 pm (Shrine Temple)

# PROPOSED BYLAWS FOR ALCAZAR SHRINERS

The membership will be required to vote on the acceptance of these bylaws at the October 11, 2013 Business Meeting. If approved they will be forwarded to Shriners International for final approval.

Please note: these bylaws will not be effective until approved by Shriners International.

# ALCAZAR SHRINERS Bylaws Revised February 2013

# **ARTICLE I - NAME and JURISDICTION**

**SECTION 1:** This temple will be known by the name, style and title of Alcazar.

Shriners (hereinafter called "Alcazar"). Charter was granted on May 14, 1914 by the Imperial Council, Ancient Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for North America (hereinafter called the Shriners International) to those statutes, rules and edicts, implicit obedience shall be given by Alcazar.

**SECTION 2:** The jurisdiction of Alcazar shall be that which is designated in Shriners International bylaws.

**SECTION 3:** Each member of Alcazar shall receive a copy of these bylaws, and the Recorder shall allow each member access to a copy of the Shriners International bylaws and any General Orders, so that they may be read and understood.

# ARTICLE II - OFFICERS

SECTION 1: The elective officers of Alcazar shall be the Potentate, Chief Rabban, Assistant Rabban, High Priest and Prophet, Oriental Guide, Treasurer, and Recorder, and each shall be elected at Alcazar's stated meeting on the second Friday in December. The elected divan shall constitute the Board of Directors for Alcazar, and shall have the powers and duties as set forth in \$ 327.8 of the Shriners International bylaws.

(a) The elected officers, elected representatives, and elected committee members in Articles V. X and XI hereof shall be properly installed at the annual stated meeting in January, and shall begin

their term of office at the January session.

(b) The Board of Directors consists of the elected divan, and three (3) directors constitute a quorum, and other provisions of Shriners International bylaws shall apply.

**SECTION 2:** The appointive officers shall be the First Ceremonial Master, Second Ceremonial Master, Marshal, Director, Captain of the Guard, and Outer Guard and any additional officers the Potentate shall see fit to appoint.

**SECTION 3:** No person(s) may hold more than one of any of the foregoing offices at the same time.

**SECTION 4:** Other provisions of this Article are covered in the Shriners International bylaws, Article 37.

**SECTION 5:** A Noble in good standing, who has served Alcazar as chairman of the Finance Committee, Building & Grounds Committee and Insurance Committee, or as Treasurer for ten (10) years or more may be elected to Emeritus Status, by proper resolution, at a stated or called meeting, except the December election meeting. Emeritus members shall not have a committee vote.

SECTION 6: The Chief Rabban and the Board of Directors shall cause copies of the completed proposed budget for the ensuing year to be mailed to each Alcazar member in good standing not later than January 2 each year, for discussion, consideration, and vote at the January annual stated meeting. The proposed budget shall be in detail and in accordance with the prescribed Shriners International, Chart of Accounts, together with the amounts budgeted and actually expended from the preceding year. The Alcazar Finance Committee may render advice to the Board of Directors on budget matters.

**SECTION 7:** The Board of Directors shall report or cause to be reported at a stated meeting of Alcazar, any proposed amendments to the approved budget, and the reason(s) for the recommend changes.

**SECTION 8:** The Potentate of Alcazar, and the Recorder shall jointly hire all employees and office personnel of Alcazar, and such personnel shall be under the supervision of the Recorder, except the individual in Section 9.

**SECTION 9:** The Potentate shall appoint an individual to act as



# ALCAZAR SHRINE

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# FALL CEREMONIAL FOR NEW SHRINERS BY ORDER OF THE POTENTATE AND DIVAN

The Alcazar Shriners will be hosting its Fall Ceremonial for new Shriners on October 19, 2013. The initiation ceremonial will be held at the Alcazar Shrine Temple and will begin at 10:00 am (CST).

All candidates are required to be at the Shrine Temple at 9:00 am.

The Fall Ceremonial is open, so wives, and family members may attend Dress is casual (no shorts), all Nobles should wear their Fez.

There will be a Luncheon served shortly after the conclusion of the Ceremonial for all to attend.

the authorized rental for all the Alcazar facilities. The individual named as rental agent shall be under the direct supervision of the Recorder, and shall adhere to the rules and regulations established by the Board of Directors and the Alcazar membership.

**SECTION 10:** The Board of Directors shall hire independent contractors for Alcazar, who shall be under the supervision of the Recorder.

## **ARTICLE III - MEETINGS**

**SECTION 1:** The annual stated meeting of Alcazar shall be held at 7:30 p.m. on the second Friday of each January.

SECTION 2: A stated meeting of Alcazar shall be held at 7:30 p.m. on the second Friday of April, July, October, December, and January. The December stated meeting shall be solely for the election of Alcazar officers, committeemen and representatives, and no other business may be transacted.

**SECTION 3:** Special meetings may be called by the Potentate provided a notice, which states the purpose of the special meeting, is mailed to the members, not less than seven (7) days before the meeting. No business other than that included in the call can be transacted at a special meeting.

**SECTION 4:** Ceremonial Sessions will be held at the call of the Illustrious Potentate, provided notice is given the membership, not less than seven (7) days before the session

**SECTION 5:** No stated meeting or ceremonial shall be held on Sunday.

**SECTION 6:** The Chief Rabban shall preside in the absence of the Potentate. In the absence of both the Potentate and Chief Rabban the Assistant Rabban shall preside. In the absence of all three (3) officers, a Past Potentate of Alcazar shall preside.

**SECTION 7:** Any member of Alcazar may request a secret ballot on any matter to be voted upon by the membership.

**SECTION 8:** Unless otherwise provided by resolution or bylaws, parliamentary procedure shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order, latest edition.

**SECTION 9:** Other provisions of Alcazar meetings and ceremonials are as covered in the Shriners International bylaws, Article 24 "Temple Meetings & Ceremonials."

**SECTION 10:** All powers not delegated to officers or committees by these bylaws are reserved for the action of the members at meetings.

# ARTICLE IV – DUTIES OF TEMPLE OFFICERS

**SECTION 1:** POTENTATE. The specific duties and responsibilities for the Potentate are outlined in the Shriners International Bylaws Article 27.1. In addition, the Potentate is the Chief Executive Officer of Alcazar, and he shall exercise general supervision over Alcazar and;

- (a) Shall open and preside at all meetings of Alcazar.
- (b) Is responsible to Shriners International for the government of Alcazar.
- (c) Is required to ensure the officers and members observe Shrine law and the bylaws of the Alcazar at all time.
- (d) At the conclusion of the Potentate's term, he is entitled to be furnished a Past Potentate's jewel, not to exceed \$750.00, a Past Potentate's Fez and a life membership.

**SECTION 2:** CHIEF RABBAN. The specific duties and responsibilities for the Chief Rabban are outlined in the Shriners International bylaws Article 27.2 and the current B.A.T.S. Manual (issued by the Shriners International).

- (a) In addition the Chief Rabban, in conjunction with the Alcazar Board of Directors, shall prepare, and complete the proposed annual budget, as required by Shriners International bylaws, Article 34, paragraph 334.4. The proposed budget must be adopted by the membership and forwarded the Shriners International Imperial Recorder, within 30 days. The adopted budget shall constitute the appropriation of funds for the purpose indicated in the budget. The budget may be amended by vote of the membership, at a stated or called meeting.
- (b) Shall preside in the absence of the Potentate.
- (c) Shall preform duties as assigned by the Potentate.

# **SECTION 3:** ASSISTANT RABBAN.

- (a) Shall preside in the absence of the Potentate and the Chief Rabban.
- (b) Shall preform duties as assigned by the Potentate.

SECTION 4: RECORDER. The specific duties and responsibilities for the Re-

- corder are outlined in the Shriners International bylaws Article 27, General Orders, the Recorders Manual and the B.A.T.S. Manual
- (a) The Recorder may, with the consent, of the Board of Directors, hire employees or independent contractors for Alcazar.
- (b) In addition the Recorder shall receive all funds and monies accruing to Alcazar from any source, and promptly deposit in an approved depositories.
- (c) The Recorder shall perform the official secretarial work for the Potentate, and all such committees as are established by election or appointment. The Seal of Alcazar shall be affixed to all official correspondence of the Potentate.
- (d) Sign checks, together with the Treasurer, for disbursement of funds.
- (e) Preform functions of Temple Business Manager, and supervise all daily business matters of, and for Alcazar.
- (f) The Recorders office and business office computers are under the direct control of the Recorder.
- (g) Provide records to the Potentate and other officers of the temple, and nobility, for legitimate purposes and maintain integrity of such records.

SECTION 5: TREASURER. The specific duties and responsibilities for the Treasurer are outlined in the Shriners International bylaws Article 27, and the B.A.T.S. Manual. In addition the Treasurer shall render at all business meetings of Alcazar, a



detailed line item financial report of the General Fund, Transportation Account, and Investment Account, since the last report, to include projected revenue (receivables), and expenditures (payables) for the year.

# **SECTION 6:** CLARIFICATION of COMMON DUTIES:

(a) As provided in the Shriners International bylaws, the Treasurer, and the Recorder, shall sign all checks for the withdrawal of funds, and the Treasurer and the Recorder shall sign documents for Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT), and in the absence of either of these two officers, the Potentate shall be authorized to sign such checks, and EFT documents. Two (2) signatures of the three (3) officers of Alcazar with authentication authority shall be required on all checks, and EFT documents, for the withdrawal of funds.

(b) For all transactions involving the SUN TRUST investments, the Recorder and the Treasurer are the authorized signatories.

# **ARTICLE V - ELECTIONS and BALLOTING**

**SECTION 1:** All elective officers, elected committeemen and representatives to the Shriners International, Southeastern Shrine Association and Dixie Shrine Association shall be elected at the annual election meeting in December, and the method of balloting shall be as prescribed in the Shriners International bylaws, Article 25.

**SECTION 2:** In the event of the death, resignation, physical disability, or permanent removal from the jurisdiction of Alcazar of an elective officer, or a committeeman, a successor shall be elected under the provisions, of the Shriners International

bylaws Article 25. Vacancies in appointive office shall be filled by the Potentate.

**SECTION 3:** No member can be elected to an office, a committee, or to represent Alcazar at the Imperial Session, Southeastern Shrine Association or Dixie Shrine Association, unless his dues are current.

## **ARTICLE VI - MEMBERSHIP**

**SECTION 1:** The requirements for, and the rules governing membership, affiliation, and demits of members shall be specified in the Shriners International bylaws, Articles 28 and Article 32.

SECTION 2: Alcazar may create life Membership(s) as provided in the Shriners International bylaws, Article 32, under the categories of (1) Meritorious Service, (2) longevity and (3) prepayment of dues. Such life membership in Alcazar shall exempt the holder from the payment of dues, except per capita taxes and the annual hospital levy.

**SECTION 3:** The Shriners Creed, and the Code of Ethics, as found in Shriners International bylaws Article 10, paragraph 210, apply equally to Alcazar, the elected divan, members, their appointed officers and all nobility.

### **ARTICLE VII - FEES and DUES**

**SECTION 1:** Every applicant for the Order shall petition in writing on the form prescribed by Shriners International, and an initiation fee of not less than \$50.00 shall accompany the petition. Proposed changes in the initiation fee must be presented in writing in the form of a resolution at a stated meeting. The resolution must be laid over to the next stated meeting or to a special meeting called for action thereon. Notice of such meeting must be sent to every member of the temple and it must recite the text or substance of the proposal. If the proposal is adopted by two-thirds of the members present and voting, it is approved.

**SECTION 2:** No portion of any fee shall in any manner be rebated or refunded, either in money, or material, if the candidate is initiated.

**SECTION 3:** There shall be no fee charged for affiliation with Alcazar.

**SECTION 4:** The annual dues of Alcazar shall be not less than \$57.00 plus the current per capita and the annual hospital levy, to be paid in advance by all members, except life members, on the first day of January, each year, except as follows: (a) "Life membership" may be created by Alcazar, under Article 32, (Shriners International bylaws). Any member accorded that status is exempt from payment of dues

- (b) A Noble may pay to the Alcazar Recorder a sum equal to 30 times the per capita tax, and therefore be exempt from the annual per capita tax.
- (c) The annual levy for the Shriners Hospitals for children shall also be collected from each member (Article 32) (Shriners International bylaws), except that a Noble may purchase for \$150 a "Permanent Contributing Hospital Membership" (PCH), and shall be exempt from any further Hospital levy.

# ARTICLE VIII - SUSPENSIONS and REINSTATEMENTS

**SECTION 1:** At each annual stated meeting of Alcazar, the Recorder shall read a list of names of members in arrears for dues, or per capita for one year, and they may be suspended by a majority vote of the members present and voting; provided, however, they have been sent notice of the indebtedness by first-class mail to their last known address, and have been given an opportunity to pay or show cause why payment has not been made.

**SECTION 2:** A member, who has been suspended for non-payment of dues, may be reinstated, upon payment of one year's dues, in addition to the dues for the current year.

# **ARTICLE IX - DISCIPLINE by ALCAZAR**

**SECTION 1:** Any action of discipline of a Noble is covered in the Shriners International bylaws, Article 30.

# ARTICLE X - FINANCE COMMITTEE

SECTION 1: There shall be an elected Finance Committee, consisting of six (6) members of Alcazar. At the Alcazar December election meeting, two (2) members shall be elected, for a term of three (3) years. The Potentate and Recorder shall serve as, ex officio members, of the committee, without vote, and the Recorder shall serve as the Secretary to the committee.

SECTION 2: At the first meeting, after the annual meeting, a chairman must be elected.

**SECTION 3:** The Finance Committee will meet at least quarterly, for the purpose of examining the budget. Each of the quarterly meetings should be held prior to the quarterly temple stated meeting. The Chairman may call additional meetings, as required.

## **SECTION 4:** The Finance Committee will:

- (a) Analyze the proposed/approved budget, and render advice to the Board of Directors, prior to the next stated or called meeting.
- (b) Analyze and review the books and records of all officers, and persons who have, or have had possession of any funds or property belonging to Alcazar, and to



render advice to the Board of Directors.

(c) Recommend to the Board of Directors, a depository for Alcazar funds, and recommend that the officers, employees, and any/all others handling funds are under the proper surety bonds. Alcazar shall pay to the cost of any required surety bonds. (d) Recommend to the Board of Directors an auditing firm (or firms) to be engaged by the Board of Directors for the annual audit, and may jointly review all annual audit report(s), with the Alcazar Board of Directors.

# **ARTICLE XI - BUIDINGS and GROUNDS COMMITTEE**

**SECTION 1:** There shall be an elected Buildings and Grounds Committee, consisting of six (6) members of Alcazar. At the Alcazar December election meeting, two (2) members shall be elected, for a term of three (3) years. The Potentate and Recorder shall serve as, ex officio members, of the committee, without vote, and the Recorder shall serve as the Secretary to the committee.

SECTION 2: At the first meeting, after the annual meeting, a chairman must be elected.

**SECTION 3:** The Buildings and Grounds Committee will meet at least quarterly, for the purpose of examining the building and grounds repair/maintenance requirements. Each of the quarterly meetings should be held prior to the quarterly temple stated meeting. The Chairman may call additional meetings, as required.

# **SECTION 4:** It shall be the duty of the Committee to:

(a) To recommend and advise the Board of Directors on such rules for the operations, and occupancies of Alcazars" buildings, grounds, and other structures. The Board of Directors shall report such rules or provisions to the membership at a quarterly stated meeting.

(b) To develop such rules, procedures, specifications, etc., for bidding on work on Alcazar building, grounds, etc, for any additions, alterations, or modifications, etc., in any amount of \$2,500.00, prior to any work being performed, and to recommend such details to the Board of Directors for the boards review, approval/disapproval. Unit room assignments shall be the responsibility of the Potentate. Room use for other than use by a unit shall be reported to the membership for action prior to use of said room. All findings shall be reported at a quarterly stated or called meeting. (c) In the event of an emergency repair, etc, the requirements above in paragraph (b) of this section shall be waived. The Potentate, or his designated representative, may take the actions necessary for completion of the repair, by coordinating the actions to be taken with the Buildings and Grounds Committee Chairman. Actions taken and the emergency repairs costs shall be reported by the Potentate, or the Building and Grounds Committee Chairman to the membership at the next quarterly stated or called meeting.

# ARTICLE XII - INDEBTEDNESS in the NAME of ALCAZAR

## **SECTION 1:**

(a) Except as specifically provided by the bylaws of Shriners International, or the bylaws of Alcazar, no club, unit, group of Nobles or Noble of Alcazar has the authority, express or implied to act as the agent of, or to obligate or bind Alcazar, unless there is approval of the Board of Directors, and by vote of the membership at a stated or called meeting.

(b) Any account or indebtedness contracted for, or incurred by any Noble or group of Nobles in the name of Alcazar, for any body, (club or unit) thereof shall be null and void, and the party creating or incurring such account or indebtedness, shall be personally obligated to pay same, and after due process, shall be subject to disciplinary action as set forth in the Shriners International bylaws, Article 30.

SECTION 2: All contracts executed in behalf of Alcazar must be reviewed by the temple attorney for Alcazar, and he must render his written opinion, and advice thereon. All such contracts shall be submitted with the written opinion as cited above, to the membership. If a contract agreement is for more than one (1) year, it must be executed by all five (5) Alcazar officers who are scheduled to serve as Potentate while the contract is in effect. No contract may exceed five (5) years. The reports cited shall be attested to by the Recorder, and the SEAL of Alcazar affixed thereto, and said records shall be maintained in the Alcazar Vault.

### **ARTICLE XIII - PROHIBITED PRACTICES**

**SECTION 1:** The use of the word "Noble", "shrine", or any variation thereof, or any term, sign, or symbol of the Order, for commercial or business enterprise is prohibited.

**SECTION 2:** The use of the name "Shriners Hospital for Children", or reference to the Hospital in connection with any fund raising activity by any Alcazar Club, Units or a Noble, without the written consent of the Imperial Potentate, and the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Shriners Hospitals for Children, is prohibited.

# **ARTICLE XIV - ALCAZAR UNITS**

SECTION 1: The Units are a part of the working corps of Alcazar, and are under the direct control of the Potentate, and must be composed wholly of Nobles.

SECTION 2: Alcazar units are amenable to the by-laws and regulations of Alcazar. Other provisions relating to units are found in the Shriners International bylaws, Article 36.

# **ARTICLE XV - ALCAZAR CLUBS**

**SECTION 1:** Alcazar clubs are an organization of Nobles meeting as such, using the emblems of the order, or having a title indicating it as an organization of Nobles, with the official authorization of the Potentate. All clubs operate under the direct authority of the Potentate. Other provisions relating to clubs are covered in the Shriners International bylaws, Article 37.

**SECTION 2:** All Alcazar clubs are required to have their accounts audited at the close of each year by an auditor or a committee as selected by the Potentate. The audit report, including a balance sheet, and an income and expense statement, shall be filed with the Recorder prior to February 1st each year. All club presidents must ensure the timely submission of the audit report. Such financial statements must conform to Shriners International accounting standards.

## ARTICLE XVI - DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY

**SECTION 1:** From time to time, certain property at the Alcazar temple, and Alcazar clubs/units, wears out becomes damaged, broken, surplus, etc., and it is in the best interest of the temple, club and/or unit to properly dispose of property items.

**SECTION 2:** Property in categories in Sections 1 and 3 shall be disposed of by the rules and procedures approved by the Shriners International bylaws, the Board of Directors and the membership.

SECTION 3: At the Alcazar January Annual meeting, the outgoing Potentate must report to the membership, any such property that has been disposed of, by any means, and/or to who said property was transferred to, during his term of office. The written report shall be filed in the property records in the Recorder's office.

# **ARTICLE XVII - AMENDMENTS**

**SECTION 1:** The procedures for amending the Alcazar bylaws must be presented in writing, in the form of a resolution, at a stated or called meeting. Specific procedures for approval/disapproval are outlined in the Shriners International bylaws, Article 31

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# SEPTEMBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Brass Band 7 pm Wiregrass SC 7 pm	Geneva SC 6 pm Bingo	Keystone Kops Phenix City SC 7 pm EDT	Camel Riders 7 pm Valley SC 7 pm EDT		
8	9	10 Fire Chiefs 6:30 pm Bingo	11 Hillbilly's 7 pm	12 Directors Staff DOER SC 6:30 pm Troy SC 7 pm	13	14 Western Cookout 6:30
15	16 Brass Band 7 pm Wiregrass SC 7 pm Crenshaw Co SC 7 pm	17	18 Phenix City SC 7 pm EDT	19	20	21 CASC Gun Show
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# OCTOBER

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	Brass Band 7 pm Wiregrass SC 7 pm	Fire Chiefs 6:30 pm Bingo	Hillbilly's 7 pm Divan Meeting 6:00 pm	Directors Staff DOER SC 6:30 pm Troy SC 7 pm	Temple Meeting 7:30 pm	
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