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Elected Divan

Al Smith, Potentate
Greg Moore, Chief Rabban
John Daniel, Assistant Rabban
Bill Forshey, Jr, High Priest & Prophet
David Royal Oriental Guide
Allen Daniels, Treasurer
Lee R. Sims, P.P., Recorder

Appointed Divan

James Henderson, 1st Ceremonial Master
Toney Ivey, 2nd Ceremonial Master
Marvin Johnson, Temple Director
Bill Forshey, Sr, Parade Marshal
Terry Wofford, P.P., Marshal
Dave Russell, Captain of the Guard
Tommy Hill, Outer Guard
Wayne Smith, Chaplain
Brue Davis, Asst Chaplain

Imperial Representatives

Al Smith, Potentate
Greg Moore, Chief Rabban
Lee R. Sims, P.P., Recorder

Dixie Representatives

Andy Compton, P.P.
Allen Daniels, Treasurer

Potentate's Staff

Chris Hudson, Chief of Staff

Personal Aids

Jeff Johnson, P.P., SHC Board
Paul Mann, P.P.
Steve Starr
Benny Sanders

Hospital Board of Governors - Greenville

James T. Wofford, P.P.
Jeff Johnson, P.P.

Hospital Transportation

Ray Matheson, Director of Transportation
Leon Brown, Valley
Ray Matheson, Wiregrass
Sanford Suggs, Clay County
Robert Daughtry, Geneva County
Kenneth Smith, Phenix City

Finance Committee

Paul B. Mann (15-17)
Jack Crysel (15-17)
Hommer Homann, P.P. (16-18)
Ray Matheson (16-18)
Gene Mosley (17-19)
Zachary Holmes (17-19)

Buildings & Grounds Committee

Jack Crysel (15-17)
Dave Garringer (15-17)
David Headly (16-18)
Don Cook (16-18)
David Grant (17-19)
Pete Anderson (17-19)
Jim Randolph, P.P., Emeritus

Insurance Committee

Gene Moseley, Chairman
Ernie Lollar, P.P.
Jack Crysell.
Dan Cook
Steve Starr

Non-voting members

Al Smith, Potentate
Lee Sims, P.P., Recorder
Larry Hall, Temple Attorney
Membership Committee
Ernie Lollar, P.P. Chairman

Public Relations Committee

Jeff Johnson, P.P., Chairman

Donor Relations Committee

[Endowments, Wills, Gifts and \$100 Million Dollar Club]
Dr. John Van Valkenburg, Chairman

ALCAZAR SHIRNE CLUBS

Autauga County SC

Dave Russell, President, 335-365-9907
Email: drruss47@aol.com
Meeting: 4th Tues. monthly – 6:30 pm
Location: Prattville Masonic Lodge

Covington County SC

Billy Hughes, President, 334-388-4352
Email: padmans@oppcatv.com
Meeting: 4th Thurs. monthly – 7:00 pm
Call for Location

Crenshaw County SC

Andy Compton, Secretary, 334-342-0036
Email: andy.compton@alabpp.gov
Meeting: 3rd Mon. monthly – 7:00 pm

Bol Weevil (Enterprise)

Robert Preachers, President, 334-347-4000
Email: oliver26@roadrunner.com
Social, 2nd Thurs. monthly – 6:30 pm
Business, 4th Thurs. monthly – 6:30 pm
Call for Location

Geneva SC

Allen Mote, President, 334-684-9393
Email: motebodyworks@century.net
Meeting: 1st Tues. monthly – 6:00 pm
Location: Geneva Shrine Club

Phenix City SC

Kevin Duraso, President, 706-577-9814
Email: +
Meetings: 1st & 3rd Wed. – monthly 7:00 pm
[Eastern Time]

Troy SC

Homer Homann, P.P., President, 334-372-3246
Email: troyshrinerclub@troycable.net
Meeting: 2nd Thurs. monthly – 7:00 pm

Valley SC

Eddie Adams, President, 334-750-1006

Email: leonb@charter.net
Meeting: 1st Thurs. monthly – 7:00 pm
Location: Lanett Masonic Lodge

Wiregrass SC

Robert Williams, President, 334-379-5066
Email: robertwilliamslittleal@yahoo.com
Meetings: 1st Mon. monthly – 7:00 pm
Location: Wiregrass Shrine Club

River Region SC

Pete Anderson, President, 334 221-7490
Email:
Meetings: 2nd and 4th Wed 7:00 pm

ALCAZAR SHIRNE UNITS

Brass Band

Meeting: Every Mon. – 7:00 pm

Camel Riders

Meeting: 1st Tues. monthly – 7:00 pm

Fire Chiefs

Meeting: 2nd Tues. monthly – 6:30 pm

Golf-N-Nobles

Meeting: 3rd Thurs. monthly – varies

Keystone Kops

Meeting: 1st Mon. monthly – 10:00 am

NOMADS

Meeting: 2nd Thurs. monthly – TBD

Provost Guard

Meeting: 1st Fri. monthly – TBD

Trail Busters (Wiregrass)

Meeting: 2nd Mon. monthly – TBD

Directors Staff

Meeting: 1st Mon. monthly – 7:00 pm

Hillbilly's

Meeting: 2nd Wed. monthly – 7:00 pm

Legion of Honor

Meetings:
2nd Fri. in Jan – 6:00 pm
2nd Fri. in Apr – 6:00 pm
2nd Fri. in Jul – 6:00 pm
2nd Fri in Oct – 6:00 pm
2nd Fri in Dec – 6:00 pm

Fire Dogs (Phenix City)

Meetings:

Hornets (Floral)

Meetings:

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MESSAGE FROM THE POTENTATE

Greetings Nobles and Ladies.

I am proud and humbled by being elevated to the position of Potentate, Alcazar Shrine 2017. I want to thank each and every Noble and Lady of Alcazar, for the Love and Support you have extended to Billie Sue and I, over the past few years. It has been an enjoyable experience of my life time. We are forever grateful for this journey. My passion to become a Master Mason and Shriner extended deeply into my childhood, and now my dreams have become reality. My emotions are stirring, and I know Alcazar is headed in the right direction.

Ill Sir Andy Compton, P.P., Thank you for a wonderful year for Alcazar Shrine. We are forever grateful for your dedication to Alcazar Shrine and our Masonic fraternity.

Thank you, Illustrious Sirs, Noble Jeff Johnson P.P, and Noble Terry Wofford, P.P, for the beautiful Installation Ceremony for our 2017 Temple Officers. It was my honor to have Ill Sir Jeff and Ill Sir Terry, install our 2017 officers. A special thanks to the nobles and ladies that made each of our dinner meals a success.

Now that we are installed, we must hit the ground running. By the time you read this article, I hope to have had a successful fund raiser, the first Temple Gun show of 2017. If you missed our first gun show of the year, mark our second gun show on your calendar now. It is scheduled for July 22 and 23, 2017. Our hard working Ladies will display their talents with a bake sale in the recreation room in the Temple. Their projects are vital to the operation of our temple. Come out and support our gun show and bake sale.

We have our Dixie Mid Winter Planning Conference scheduled in Mississippi on February 10 and 11, 2017. Registration for Dixie Closes early in April, 2017, Get your Registration forms into the Temple Office, and reserve your hotel rooms early. The third week in May will be here before you know it. We are expecting a great crowd in Panama City Beach for the convention. We always have a great time, with plenty of fellowship among our fellow Shriners and Ladies. I expect Imp Sir Chris Smith and Lady Ethel to be in attendance, he is a long time active member of Dixie Association. Let's have a good turnout for him and Dixie President Mike Odom, P.P.

The Alcazar Noble News Editor for 2017 is Noble William Edgeworth, 74 Blackmon Road #2904, Columbus, GA 31909, (203) 889-8332, swjedgeworth@sbcglobal.net. Noble

William, I want thank you in advance for your service. I encourage Clubs, Units and Nobles and Ladies to submit articles on a space available basis. This publication is one of our lines of communication.

Membership and Retention are one of our main priorities this year. I recommend each Shrine Club and Unit maintain a supply of Shrine petitions, and encourage each member to carry one with them in their day to day life. We never know when the opportunity will arise that you need one. It is very impressing to brothers when you have one readily available. We have voted to host an amnesty program for 2017. Any member suspended for non payment of dues may be reinstated in Alcazar Shrine for \$100.00. This would require a 2/3 vote of the membership. Most important, we have the opportunity of a Candidate Ceremonial scheduled on Saturday, March 18, 2017. Check out the new Master Masons at your Blue Lodge, some may want to become shriners. We could sure use your help and assistance.

Each Tuesday night we host Alcazar Bingo in the Temple, from 6:30 to 9:00 pm. We have a few dedicated bingo workers however, we are in need of relief help. We could utilize a couple bingo callers, floor walkers, and present an overall general visibility of Shriners. We can always find something that needs to be done. Any additional help will be grately appreciated. Thanks.

The second annual Money Mania fundraiser will kick off in early February, with a total of \$25,000 payout scheduled for June 3, 2017. We need every noble to sell and or purchase tickets to make this a successful event. Thanks for your support.

The weekend before our Candidate Ceremonial, we have a two day trip scheduled for Hospital Days at Greenville SHC. There will be hospital tours and patient interactions, along with informative lectures from Doctors and Staff. This information is geared to inform as well as motivate Shriners. One trip will make you a changed person. Always Remember, We are "Building a Legacy for Our Kids" in 2017. In September, we have a Golf Tournament Scheduled. It is time to be searching for sponsors now, to make this fund raiser a success. This will be a SHC fund raiser. Thank you for all you do to make Alcazar Shrine a success.

Yours in the Faith,
Al Smith, Potentate

FROM THE DIVAN

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF RABBAN

Hello Nobles,

I would like to thank each of you for another great year in 2016, and for supporting PP Andy Compton in making his year successful. Thank you also for electing me to another year to serve you. Please don't hesitate to call us with suggestions and support.

The Divan with Potentate Al Smith, look forward to another year with many fund raisers to come. Money Mania tickets will be out by the end of January. This has great potential as indicated by our first year. We're going to be having a larger off site circus this year. We will need your help with ticket sales, more to come.

We look forward to seeing each of you at your temple and your clubs this year. We will have a golf tournament, gun (sportsman) giveaway, and other events also. To paraphrase our new commander in chief, "Let's make Alcazar great again."

Fraternally yours

Greg Moore (Chief Rabban 17)

RECORDER'S MESSAGE

Greetings Nobles and Ladies.

I hope everyone had an enjoyable Holiday Season and a safe and prosperous New Year.

I would like to thank you for your continued support and confidence in me and allowing me to serve you and Alcazar Shriners for another year. I look forward to the 2017 Shrine year as being prosperous as we continue to work for our philanthropy.

I am sad to report that we lost 22 Nobles due to nonpayment of dues. I encourage each of you to pay your dues and if you are behind to catch up on your dues payments. As in the past, if you have a hardship or know a Noble that has a hardship in paying his dues, please contact me in the office. We can help and do not want to lose any Noble for this reason.

This year as in past years we will be working hard on membership both in keeping our existing members and creating new members. If you know a Mason that would

make a good Shriner, please encourage him.

We are still transporting many children to our hospitals and I want to thank all of our men and ladies that give of their time and volunteer to drive the children.

If you would like to become a driver and or a co-driver, please contact me at the Temple office 334/279-9174. Remember, our children are our guiding light.

Lee R. Sims, P.P.

Recorder, Alcazar Shriners

ALCAZAR SHRINERS HOSPITAL TRANSPORTATION ACTIVITY

NOVEMBER - DECEMBER 2016

The Nobles listed below have worked in providing transportation for our young patients and their parents to Greenville and Cincinnati Shrine Hospitals. Some are also Area Coordinators.

THANK EACH OF YOU FOR YOUR HELP AND SERVICE

Number of trips for this time period 15

DRIVER	TRIPS	DRIVER	TRIPS
Ron Smith	2	Sammy Hicks	1
Billy Wilkerson	2	Michael King	1
Richard Gracy	2	Ron Pynes	1
John Smith	2	Margaret Johnson	1
Wayne Dillard	1	Bobby Johnson	1

POV's	TOTAL MILES DRIVEN
9	7025

COORDINATOR FOR TRANSPORTATION

Ray Matheson

AREA COORDINATORS

Ray Matheson, Wiregrass SC

Robert Daughtry, Geneva SC

Kenny Smith, Phenix City SC

James Pearson, Valley SC

Alcazar Shriners are always looking for Nobles and or their Ladies that would like to participate in our transportation program and become a driver and or a co-driver. If you are interested, please call Lee Sims, Recorder in the Temple office, 334/279-9174.

Yours in the Faith,

Lee R. Sims, P.P.

Recorder, Alcazar Shriners



From Left to Right: Ill Sir Jeff Johnson, Installing Officer; Ill Sir Lee Sims, Recorder; Noble Greg Moore, Chief Raban; Noble Allen Daniels, Treasurer; Ill Sir Al Smith, Potentate; Noble David Royal, Oriental Guide; Noble John Daniel, Assistant Raban; Noble Bill Forshey, Jr., High Priest & Prophet; and Ill Sir James T. Wofford, Installing Marshall
 --- (Photo by: Ill Sir Paul B. Mann)

TEMPLE BUSINESS MEETING

OFFICIAL CALL OF THE POTENTATE

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

2017 Dues Card required for admission

Friday, April 14, 2017
 7:30 pm (Central Time)

Shrine Temple
 Alcazar Shrine Center
 555 Eastern Blvd
 Montgomery, Alabama

Potentate
 Al Smith

Attested:
 Recorder
 Lee R. Sims, P.P.



Shrine Ladies Corner January 2017 No.1

The new year is off and running. January was filled with opportunities to make friends and renew some old ones. The out-going party for Ill. Sir Andy and First Lady Ashley was a smash hit. It was a good year for them both and we wish them much happiness in the future. About 84 folks in attendance the room was full of friends to honor them. The food was delicious, thank you Dave and Becky for cooking great job. The decorations were pretty and just the right touch thank you Jackson family.

A great big thank you to all the Nobles & Ladies who helped clean, set up the Red Fez for the party and serve (my elves). Thank you my elves who helped clean up, wash dishes and Sunday return items to the Temple. It was definitely a joint effort. It could not have been a success without everyone working together. You know who you so pat yourself on the back.

The mission of the Shrine Ladies is to support our Shriners. Funds raised from our projects are for the upkeep of the temple and other needs. The Temple has many needed repairs at this time. Let's all work together for the good of the Shrine Children and also support the Imperial First Ladies Project this year, Camps for Children.

It was exciting to see 23 Ladies attending the Installation of Alcazar Officers and Quarterly Meeting. The meal was delicious Thank You Sandra Atkins-Edgeworth our Chief. A great big thank you for everyone who helped in any way donating items, prep work, serving, cleaning up after. We are deeply grateful for your support.

Thank you, Jackson family, we understand the beautiful cake featuring the Red Fez and congratulations to the newly elected and appointed

officers was a joint family project. It was delicious thanks so much.

By the time this article comes out it will be February. The Ladies Bake Sale and Shrine Ladies Bingo Day will be part of history. More about the outcome later now we move on to future events.

FEBRUARY

10th-11th Dixie Shrine Mid-Winter Conference

25th Daughters of the Nile "Taste of Italy" Dinner & Auction. 6:00PM Red Fez Tickets \$15.00, Kids \$7.50

MARCH

7th Autauga County Shrine Club - I Hop Charity Pancake Breakfast

10th -11th "Greenville Hospital Days" bus trip

18th Temple Ceremonial with Ladies Luncheon, Dinner 5:00 PM(approx.)

*Ladies there is a great need for floor walkers at our Shrine Bingo. If you have free time from 6:00 - 9:00 PM on Tuesday night, we can use your help.

May God be with you and bless you all year.

Billie Sue Smith, Potentates Lady

PRIORITY #1 FOR ALCAZAR - MEMBERSHIP

We will once again, implement the Alcazar Shriners Amnesty Program for 2017. It will run from now until December 31, 2017. Each reinstated Shriner will be permitted to obtain their 2017 dues card and be reinstated for \$100.00. This is a onetime good deal, so if you know a good Shriner, who has gone suspended, for non-payment of dues, please let him know about the Alcazar Shriners Amnesty Program. For more information about this program, please contact Illustrious Sir Lee Sims, P.P., Recorder at (334) 279-9174.

BLACK CAMEL VISITS

We have lost the brothers listed below in the last few months (1 Oct 16- 31 Dec 16). Please remember them and their families in your prayers. Please let us know if we have missed anyone so we can identify them to the membership and remember them during the year as we continue the great work they started.

Thomas Bingham
James Chavers
Glen Michael
William Newsome Jr.

Clifford Rainey
Joshua Stephens
Mally Turner Jr.



Left to Right: Ill Sir Andy Compton, Potentate; Noble Sammy Hicks, VP Wiregrass SC; and Noble Ray Matheson

*Alcazar
Shriner Unit
of the Year
Wiregrass
Trail Busters*

2016



Left to Right: Ill Sir Andy Compton, Potentate; Noble Steve Starr

*Alcazar
Shriner
of the Year
Steve Starr*

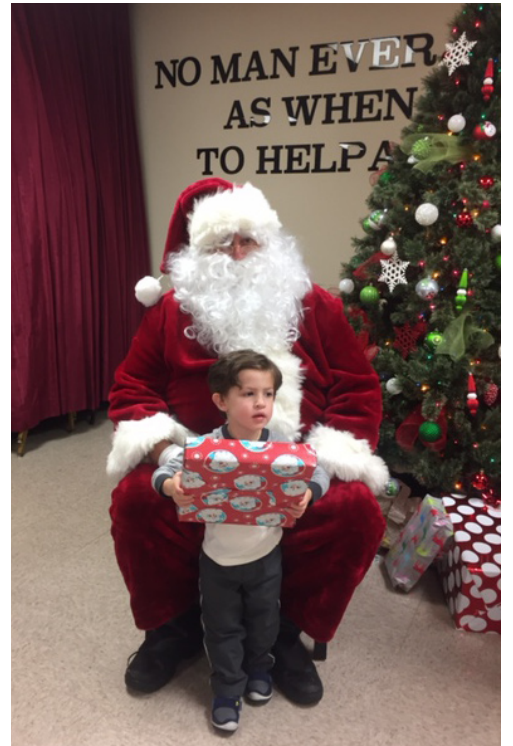
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PHENIX CITY SHRINE CLUB

(Photos W.D. Edgeworth)

From their annual Christmas party with Shriner Red jackets filling the room, to the Children's Christmas party complete with superheroes ranging from Batman and Superman, Optimus Prime and Spiderman. The Phenix City Shrine Club continuously demonstrates and promotes the qualities, care and dedication it brings to all its club activities...including Bingo offered twice a week.







Dixie Shrine Association

2017 Convention Registration Form

May 18th - 20th 2017

Panama City Beach Florida

(Please fill out 1 per registrant. Make as many copies as needed)

Representative _____ Shrine Temple _____ \$90.00 + Lady

E-Mail Address _____

Office Held or Title _____ Lady _____ \$20.00

(The price of the Dixie President's Banquet Ticket and the Ladies Luncheon Ticket are included in the \$90.00 Registration fee for Representatives plus Lady \$20 - Total \$110.00)

Non Representative _____ Shrine Temple _____ \$20.00

E-Mail Address _____

Office Held or Title _____ Lady _____ \$20.00

Dixie President's Banquet # _____ Tickets @ 35.00 Each = \$ _____

Ladies Luncheon # _____ Tickets @ 25.00 Each = \$ _____

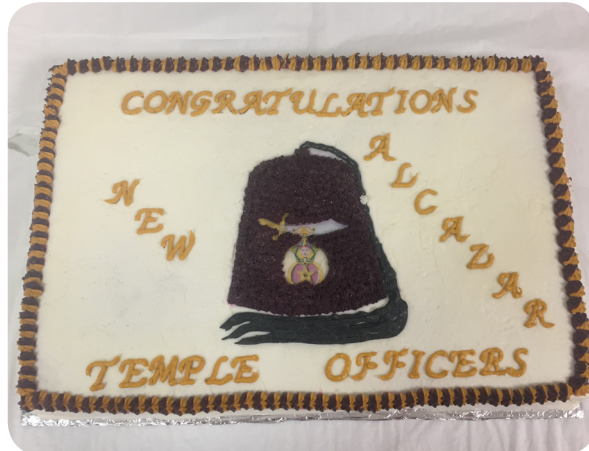
Total \$ _____

Please mail your Convention Registration Forms and Payment, including the President Banquet and Ladies Luncheon to:

Lee R. Sims, P.P.
Alcazar Shriners
555 Eastern Blvd.
Montgomery Al. 36117

Any questions contact Lee R. Sims, Recorder Alcazar Shriners, [334/279-9174](tel:3342799174)
or shriners@alcazar-shriners.net

2016 Year in Review



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ALCAZAR
BINGO

6:30 PM Each Tuesday (Except Holidays)

Come Play or Come Help Your Temple !

Volunteers (callers and workers) Needed !

Call the Records Office at 334-279-9174
or the Oriental Guide at 334-207-2398