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**Potentates Celebration** 



**ALCAZAR DIVAN 2022** 

## Alcazar Shrine Divan / Committees / Clubs / Units

#### **Elected Divan**

Potentate – Randy McFarland
Chief Rabban – Eddie Ellis
Assistant Rabban – Jack Crysel
High Priest & Prophet – Kenny Wood
Oriental Gide – Neil Sneed
Treasurer – Allen Daniels
Recorder – Lee Sims, P.P.

## **Appointed Divan**

Ist Ceremonial Master — Ronnie Hancock
2nd Ceremonial Master — Steve Starr
Temple Director — Jeff Johnson, P.P.
Parade Marshal — Assistant Marshal — Robert Smith
Captain of the Guard — David Grant
Outer Guard — Bill McNeil

## **Appointed Officers**

Chaplain – George McCain, Ill. P.P.
Temple Attorney (Primary) – Larry Hall
Temple Attorney (Alternate) – Paul Adams
Parliamentarian – Bill Forshey, P.P.
Chief of Staff – Jeff Johnson, P.P.

#### **Potentate Aides**

Chief Aide Danny Payne -Allan Schwindling -Chief Aide lesse Duraso -**PCSC** Kevin Duraso – **PCSC** Ed Sapp -WGSC William Baker -CCSC Al Riley -CCSC David Grant -RRSC Steve Starr -**RRSC** David Russell -ACSC Chris lackson -RRSC Butch Hudson Chris Towers

Imperial Representatives

Randy McFarland - Potentate
Eddie Ellis - Chief Rabban
Lee Sims, P.P. - Recorder

## **Dixie Representatives**

Allen Daniel -Chris Hudson

Nick Allen

Treasurer

## **Hospital Board of Governors**

Terry Wofford, P.P. Jeff Johnson, P.P.

## Finance Committee 3 Yr. Terms

Gene Moseley, Chairman (20-22)
Don Cook (20-22)
Andy Compton, P.P. (21-23)
David Headley (21-23)
Ed Sapp (22-24)
Chris Hudson (22-24)
David Royal, Potentate (ex-officio member)

## Lee Sims, P.P. – Recorder (ex-officio member) Membership Committee

Eddie Ellis - Chairman

## Buildings and Grounds Committee 3 Yr. Terms

Daniel Payne, (21-23), Chairman Bill Forshey, P.P. (21-22) Don Cook (22-24) David Headley (22-24) David Grant (20-22) Andy Compton, P.P. (21-23)

#### **Insurance Committee**

Gene Moseley, Chairman Robert Smith Steve Starr Allen Schwindling Larry Hall, Temple Attorney Paul Adams, Alt. Temple Attorney Randy McFarland, Potentate Lee Sims, P.P. Recorder

## **Leadership Development Committee**

Bill Forshey, P.P. Chairman LDC/ Cabin Rep Committee comprised of PP Cabin Members

#### **Public Relations Committee**

Brian Smith, Alcazar Webmaster Lee Sims, P.P. Recorder

#### **Donor Relations Committee**

#### **Alcazar Shrine Clubs**

#### **Autauga County Shrine Club**

Dave Russell, President Email: drruss47@aol.com Phone 334-365-9907

Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday every other month (Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep, Nov) Location: Prattville Masonic Lodge

## **Covington County Shrine Club**

James L. Windham, President Email:

Phone: 251-578-2177 Meeting: 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday every month at 7 PM Location: Call president for location

## **Crenshaw County Shrine Club**

Andy Compton, President
Email: andycompton76@gmail.com
Meeting: 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday monthly 7 PM
Location: Shrine Club / Masonic Building

## Geneva Shrine Club

Jerry Broadway, President Phone 850-419-0376 Meeting: I\* Tuesday Monthly 6 PM Location: Shrine Club

## Phenix City Shrine Club

Meeting: 1st & 3rd Wednesday Monthly 7 PM Location: Shrine Club

#### **Noble News Editor**

Don Gates Phone: 706-566-1875

## **Troy Shrine Club**

Neil Sneed, President Phone: 334-344-0542 Email: neil061964@yahoo.com Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday Monthly 7 PM Location: Shrine Club

## Wiregrass Shrine Club

James McDaniel

Email: mcdanieltj21@yahoo.com

Phone: 334-308-5700

Meeting:  $I^{\text{st}}$  Monday Monthly unless holiday; if occurs, held following Monday, time: 7:30 PM

Location: Wiregrass Shrine Club

## **River Region Shrine Club**

Bill Forshey – President Email: <a href="mailto:billforshey@gmail.com">billforshey@gmail.com</a> Phone: 334-207-2398

Meeting: 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday Monthly 7 PM Location: Temple Club Room

## **Alcazar Shrine Units**

## **Brass Band**

Meeting Every Monday – 7 PM Gene Moseley, President

#### Fire Chiefs

Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday Monthly – 6:30 PM Allen Daniels, Chief

#### Fire Dogs (Phenix City)

2 – 3 Times a Year BBQ Jeff Johnson, P.P. – President

#### **Golf N Nobles**

Meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday Monthly – time varies Greg Moore, P.P.

#### **Legion of Honor**

Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct & Dec President: Terry Wofford, P.P.

#### **Nomads**

Meeting: 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday Monthly with RRSC Peter Prielaida, Chief

## **Provost Guard**

Meeting: I<sup>st</sup> Friday Monthly President – Terry Wofford, P.P

## Trail Busters (Wiregrass)

Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday Monthly Ray Harris, Chief

## Hillbillys

Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday Monthly Mark Burkett, Chief

## Hornets (Florala)

Meeting date/time/location needed. Ron Rawls

## **Directors Staff**

Meeting: 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday Monthly Joey Crysel, Director

## **Message from the Potentate**

I would like to thank the Nobles of Alcazar for giving me the honor of being your Potentate for 2022. It is a privilege to serve such a great organization where I have had the pleasure of meeting so many wonderful Nobles, their families, and an organization that brings hope to so many Children every single day. Lady Shelia and I are looking forward to working hard and making it an enjoyable and successful year for all.

Nobles, my message this year is very simple....**IT'S ABOUT WORKING TOGETHER.**We represent the greatest philanthropy on the planet, "Shriners Hospitals for Children." We truly have some of the best, most caring individuals, anywhere. As Shriners, we should be ex-



tremely proud of the wonderful accomplishments we have made and encourage others to join this cause. One of our main goals this year is to look for new Nobles. The obvious first place is our Blue Lodge, as this is the prerequisite to becoming a Noble. From there we have family members, friends and neighbors. Just think, if every Noble signed one new Noble, our membership would double!

I'm asking each of you to please support the fund-raising activities of the Shrine throughout the year. Whether it is attending a parade, supporting the Sportsman's Give-Away or various other activities that are planned, we need everyone's support. These activities are designed to insure Alcazar continues to be financially secure. And let's all be looking for children who can benefit from the expert care that our network of Hospitals and Clinics provide.

Remember, "No Man Stands So Tall As When He Stoops To Help A Child"

No doubt we still face many challenges. As we look to the future, please consider your role in our great Fraternity and resolve to be as involved as possible. Let's work together for the future of our Fraternity to ensure that the hard work of those who came before us was not in vain and to pave the way for those who will come after us.

We held a Ceremonial on March 5th for of our new Shriners. I encourage all members, but especially our new Shriners to visit one of our Hospitals or Clinics: it will be a very heartwarming experience. This represents how your dollars are spent.

Mark your calendar for April 30th. This will be the Potentate' Ball. The theme will be from the "Love Boat". There is no cost, so come and enjoy yourself.

Remember, the Dixie Shrine Convention in Panama City Florida on May 18th-21st. Please come and support PP Andy Compton from Alcazar, as he will be installed as President of the Dixie Shrine Association for 2023.

Thank you, Nobles and Ladies, in advance for all the help you will be giving Lady Shelia and me this year. We will strive to leave Alcazar in a better position than we found it.

I close by saying, we are "Southern Proud but with a Caring Heart".

Yours In Faith,

Randy McFarland Randy McFarland Potentate 2022

## Message from the First Lady

Hello Ladies and Nobles,

I want to take this opportunity to say thank you for electing my husband, Randy McFarland, as Potentate for 2022. I feel it is a great honor to be serving the Nobility as First Lady. We will continue to work for the betterment of Alcazar. We look forward to seeing everyone at the Potentates Ball and at the Dixie Shrine Convention..

We want to express our appreciation for everyone tha participates to make Alcazar a successful Temple.

Shelia McFarland First Lady Shelia 2022

## Message from the Chief Rabban

## **Greetings Nobles and Ladies,**

March already, WOW!! 2022 is off to a great start. It's been an exciting year thus far and many more exciting things to follow. February was a great parade month, March 5th—ceremonial in Phenix City, March 12th & 13th-CASC Gun Show at Alcazar, April 8th-Quarterly Meeting at Alcazar with light finger foods at 6:30pm. Ok Nobles, lets see you there WITH your Ladies. Most important our Potentate and First Lady are planning a wonderful Potentates Ball on Saturday April 30th. You don't want to miss being there!!!



As your Membership Chairman, I continue to encourage each of **YOU** to be a top line signer on **JUST ONE** petition. Think what that would do for our membership at Alcazar.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as **YOUR** Chief Rabban, Alcazar's best days are ahead of us. So, lets continue to work together in the best interest of **OUR** Children.

Till next time, Lets remember the Nobles we have lost to the BLACK CAMEL and their families and those who are sick, GOD bless to all.

Yours In The Faith, Eddie Ellis

Eddie Ellis Chief Rabban 2022

## **Greetings Nobles and Ladies,**

I would like to congratulate III Sir Randy McFarland on being elected as Potentate 2022. and his Lady Shelia as First Lady.

I would also like to thank III P.P. Sir, David Royal & Lady Karen, for all their hard work and leadership in 2021. And I welcome Neil Sneed as our Oriental Guide.

Until next time, remember our Nobles and Ladies with health issues in our prayers.

Yours In The Faith Jack Crysel Jack Crysel Assistant Rabban 2022



## Message from the High Priest and Prophet

## **GREETINGS NOBLES and LADIES**

Lady Jayne and I would like to send a Special **THANK YOU** to III P.P. Sir, David Royal & Lady Karen, for all the hard work and leadership in 2021, although it was a difficult year with Covid being around.

I would also like to congratulate III Sir Randy McFarland on his election and WELCOME Neil Sneed as our new Oriental Guide. Thanks to the Nobility for allowing me to be **YOUR** High Priest and Prophet for 2022.

Alcazar is looking forward to an exciting year. Please remember to attend the functions that are scheduled for the year. Your presence and help is always welcome. Also remember The Annual Masonic Days scheduled for Saturday, June 25th in Florala. This is a great time to celebrate with your fellow Masons and Shriners.



Kenny Wood

Kenny Wood

High Priest & Prophet, 2022



## Message from the Oriental Guide

Lady Kathy and I, are glad to be a part of this great organization.

We look forward to what is coming before us in the next few years.

We both know how to work as a team to get where everything needs to be.

We look forward to meeting everyone in the future and working side by side with you.

Need ALL Nobles TO COME OUT AND SUPPORT YOUR TEMPLE.

GOD and COUNTRY

Neil Sneed

Neil Sneed

Oriental Guide 2022



## Message from the Treasurer

## Greetings Nobles and Ladies, Greetings Nobles and Ladies,

Thank you for your continue confidence in electing me as your Treasurer for 2022. I am blessed and thankful for being part of your "non-moving" Divan for I3 years now. During this time, we have faced many obstacles together to maintain a positive and profitable financial posture for Alcazar Shrine. We are presently In a strong position, which will enable Alcazar to continue support for our prime mission-the care and treatment of our orthopedic and burned children's program. I and lady Regina wish you well and encourage everyone to participate in your temple's activities during the coming year. Please stay safe out there.



Yours In The Faith

Allen Daniels
Treasurer, 2022

## Message from the Recorder

## **Greetings Nobles and Ladies,**

I want to thank everyone for allowing me to serve the membership of Alcazar Shriners and Shriners International as Recorder for another year. This is a special year in as much as I have served as Recorder for 10 years.

With each Noble News I remind everyone of the importance of membership and to look for good men to become Shriners. At the end of 2021 Alcazar lost 43 Nobles due to non payment of dues. Nobles, we cannot continue to sustain this kind of loss and we need your help. If you know of a man that has been suspended for non payment of dues, please encourage him to get reinstated. For this year we will reinstate a suspended Noble for \$100.00. If a suspended Noble has a hardship where he cannot pay his dues and wishes to be reinstated, please have him contact me and we can help.

Please support your Temple and attend upcoming functions.

Thanks again for allowing me to serve you.

Remember, Our Children are our Guiding Light

Yours in the Faith,

Lee R. Sims, P.P. Recorder, 2022

## Necrology Report JANUARY—FEBRUARY 2022

Those Nobles the Black camel has called on these Nobles in January or February

Please keep these brothers and their families in your thoughts and prayers.

James B. Graves Pete Holman Ronnie Reddish III Sir Miles A. Smith P.P. Alexander E. Curry Jr.

## HOSPITAL TRANSPORTATION

January - February 2022

The Nobles and ladies listed below have worked in providing transportation for our young patients and their parents to Shriners Hospitals for Children.

## THANK EACH OF YOU FOR YOUR HELP AND SERVICE

Number of trips for this period of time

TRIPS	DRIVER	TRIPS
1	Fidel Cintron	<u>1</u>
1	Mike Porterfield	2
1	POV TRIPS	7
	1 1 1	1 Fidel Cintron 1 Mike Porterfield

Alcazar Shriners are always looking for Nobles and 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

## WHAT COMES TO MIND WHEN YOU HEAR THE WORD, "VOLUNTEER"?

A volunteer is a person who expresses a willingness to undertake a service that you are offering something-something that is not required nor an obligation. You do not volunteer for the pursuit of a monetary prize or recognition, you volunteer because of the optimist inside you, perhaps the idealist, with a glimmer of hope and understanding that you are helping, and that you see your time is worth it and that you believe you are capable of inciting change and making progress. In some way, large or small, you are capable of doing good. Social responsibility is often the driving force when it comes to volunteerism, empathy and awareness simply come with the territory. Remember Nobles your Divan, Club officers and Unit presidents are working on projects and events that need your support from volunteering members like you. Let your empathy and compassion drive you to volunteer and support our cause of helping those in children and families in need .

Author unknown

# Dixie Shrine Association 2022 Convention



# Registration Form May 19th, 20th & 21st, 2022

## Panama City -Beach Florida (Please fill out 1 per registrant. Make as many copies as needed)

(A Voting Representative from your 7	Temple)	
Representative	Shrine Temple	\$110.00 + Lady
E-Mail Address		
Office Held or Title	Lady	\$20.00
(The price of the <b>Dixie President's Ba</b> included in the \$110.00 Registration f	-	
		Total \$
Non Representative	-Shrine Temple	S20.00
E-Mail Address		
Office Held or Title	Lady	\$20.00
Dixie President's Banquet #	Tickets @ 40.00 Each =	
Ladies Luncheon # Tick	cets @ 30.00 Each =	
		Total \$
Special Instructions for Food Allergic	es:	
Please mail your Convention Reg Banquet and Ladies Luncheon to:	istration Forms and Payment. in	cluding the President

ALCAZAR SHRINERS ATT: RECORDER 555 EASTERN BLVD MONTGOMERY, AL. 36117

## ALCAZAR REGISTRATION FORM

## 2022 Dixie Shrine Convention Panama City Beach FI May 19 - 21, 2022

## Convention Registration:

Representatives Name	\$110.00	+Lady \$20.00
Non-Representative Name:		\$20.00
Ladies Name:		\$20.00
Housing Reservation: CUT OFF D	ATE APRIL 15, 202	2
1st Night deposit of \$174.13 (including	g tax) required when m	naking reservations
Sunday & Wednesday \$111.94 ( incl	uding tax) per night	
Check in date		
Check out date		
Room Preference: Double	e King	Handicap
Smokir	ngnon-	smoking
I would like room close to Name		
Floor Preference		
	Total A	Amount Due \$
My check for the above a Alcazar Shriners)	mount is enclosed. (Che	ecks should be made out to
Credit CardDisc	over Visa _	Master Card
Card Number	Security numbers _	Expiration Date
Name as it appears in credit card		_Zip Code
Send form and deposit to:	Alcazar Shriners	i
	Att: Recorder	
	555 Eastern Blvd	
	Montgomery Al.	36117

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

Quarterly Business Meeting (Temple Oasis) 7:30 PM CST Friday, 8 April 22

Potentates Ball (Temple Oasis) Saturday, 30 April 22

Dixie Shrine Association (Panama City, Florida May 19th—21st

Masonic Days (Florala, Al June 25th

## Official Call of the Potentate

## Quarterly Meeting OFFICIAL CALL OF THE POTENTATE

Notice is hereby given that a 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

2022 Dues Card required for admission April 8, 2022 7:30 PM Alcazar Shrine Center 555 Eastern Blvd Montgomery, Alabama 36117 Office 334-279-9174

Randy McFarland

Lee R. Sims

Randy McFarland Potentate attest Lee R. Sims P.P. Recorder

## Message from the Editor

## Greetings Nobles and ladies,

As Editor of Alcazar Shriners Noble News, It has been an honor and the privilege of meeting and working directly with many of you, and indirectly with others. I wish to share this quote with you.

Man sacrifices his health in order to make money, then he sacrifices money to recuperate his health. And then he is so anxious about the future that he does not enjoy the present, being that he does not live in the present or the future he lives as if he is never going to die and then dies having never really lived.

Yours In The Faith

Donald B. Gates

Donald B. Gates Editor 2022

## Illustrious Sir Randy McFarland and Lady Shelia



Cordially invite you to attend the 2022 Potentate's Celebration Saturday, April 30, 2022

Alcazar Shrine Temple | 555 Eastern Blvd. | Montgomery, AL

## **Schedule of Events**

Luncheon and Presentations

Red Fez Building

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

## Potentate's Celebration

Social Hour- 5:30 p.m.

Introductions- 6:30 p.m.

Dinner - 7:00 p.m.

Dancing - 8:00 p.m.

## To ensure the caterer has a correct head count:

Please RSVP by Thursday, April 21st

Provide your name, number of guests attending and event(s) you plan to attend

Luncheon and/or Potentate's Ball

(334) 313-3536

(334) 399-3126

(334) 271-9174

randymc@netzero.net

Dress: Caribbean Casual / Fez (No shorts or Jeans)

## **Hotel Accommodations**

Fairfield Inn & Suites 8970 Eastchase Pkwy. Montgomery, AL 36117 Reservations
Call (334) 260-8650
Reference: "Alcazar Shrine Ball"

Rooms: \$109.00 plus applicable taxes Rates good to Tuesday, March 29, 2022

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