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## Alcazar Shrine Divan / Committees / Clubs / Units

Elected Divan	
Potentate	Eddie Ellis
Chief Rabban	Jack Crysel
Asst. Rabban	Kenny Wood
High Priest & Prophet	Neil Sneed
Oriental Guide	David Hunt
Treasurer	Allen Daniels
Recorder	Lee Sims, P.P.

Appointed Divan	
<b>1st Ceremonial Master</b>	<b>Ronnie Hancock</b>
<b>2nd Ceremonial Master</b>	<b>Steve Starr</b>
Temple Director	Gene Moseley
<b>Parade Marshal</b>	<b>Alan Patrick</b>
<b>Marshal</b>	<b>Wofford, P.P.</b>
<b>Asst. Marshal</b>	<b>Robert Smith</b>
<b>Captain of the Guard</b>	<b>David Grant</b>
<b>Outer Guard</b>	

Appointed Officers	
<b>Chaplain</b>	<b>George McCain, P.P.</b>
Temple Attorney	Paul Adams
Parliamentarian	Cal Ledbetter, P.P.
Chief of Staff	Danny Payne

Potentates Aides	
Danny Payne	Chief of Staff
Ed Seagers	Aide
<b>Jesse Duraso</b>	<b>PCSC</b>
<b>Kevin Duraso</b>	<b>PCSC</b>
<b>Ed Sapp</b>	<b>WGSC</b>
<b>William Baker</b>	<b>CCSC</b>
<b>Al Riley</b>	<b>CCSC</b>
<b>David Grant</b>	<b>RRSC</b>
<b>Steve Starr</b>	<b>RRSC</b>
<b>Dave Russell</b>	<b>ACSC</b>
<b>Butch Hudson</b>	
<b>Chris Towers</b>	

Imperial Representatives	
Eddie Ellis	Potentate
Jack Crysel	Chief Rabban
Lee Sims, P.P.	Recorder

Dixie Representatives	
<b>Allen Daniels</b>	<b>Treasurer</b>
<b>Chris Hudson</b>	

Hospital Board of Governors	
Terry Wofford, P.P.	Emeritus
<b>Jeff Johnson, P.P.</b>	

Finance Committee	
3 Yr. Terms	
<b>Gene Moseley,</b>	<b>(20-22) Chairman</b>
<b>Don Cook</b>	<b>(20-22)</b>
<b>Andy Compton, P.P.</b>	<b>(21-23)</b>
<b>David Headley</b>	<b>(21-23)</b>
<b>Ed Sapp</b>	<b>(22-24)</b>
<b>Chris Hudson</b>	<b>(22-24)</b>
Eddie Ellis, Potentate	(ex-officio member)
Lee Sims, P.P., Recorder	(ex-officio member)

Leadership Development	
<b>Bill Forshey, P.P.</b>	<b>Chairman</b>

Building and Grounds Committee	
3 Yr Terms	
Danny Payne	(21-23) Chairman
Andy Compton, P.P.	(21-23)
Bill Forshey, P.P.	(21-22)
Don Cook	(22-24)
David Headley	(22-24)
David Grant	(20-22)

Insurance Committee	
Gene Moseley	Chairman
Robert Smith	
Steve Starr	
Allen Schwindling	
Paul Adams	Temple Attorney
Eddie Ellis	Potentate
Lee Sims, P.P.	Recorder

Alcazar Shrine Units	
<b>Brass Band</b>	
<b>Meeting</b>	<b>every Monday 7 PM</b>
<b>President</b>	<b>Gene Moseley</b>
<b>Fire Chiefs</b>	
<b>Meeting</b>	<b>2nd Tuesday monthly 6:30 PM</b>
<b>Chief</b>	<b>Allen Daniels</b>
<b>Fire Dogs</b>	
<b>Meeting</b>	<b>2 – 3 time a year</b>
<b>President</b>	<b>Jeff Johnson, P.P.</b>
<b>Golf N Nobles</b>	
<b>Meeting</b>	<b>3rd Thursday monthly, time varies</b>
	<b>Greg Moore, P.P.</b>
<b>Hillbillies</b>	
<b>Meeting</b>	<b>2nd Wednesday monthly</b>
<b>Chief</b>	<b>Mark Burkett</b>
<b>Hornets</b>	
<b>Meeting</b>	
<b>Chief</b>	<b>Ron Rawls</b>
<b>Legion of Honor</b>	
<b>Meeting</b>	<b>3rd Friday Jan, Apr, Oct, Dec</b>
<b>President</b>	<b>Terry Wofford, P.P.</b>
<b>Nomads</b>	
<b>Meeting</b>	<b>3rd Thursday monthly with RRSC – 7 PM</b>
<b>Chief</b>	<b>Peter Prielaia</b>
<b>Provost Guard</b>	
<b>Meeting</b>	<b>1st Friday monthly</b>
<b>President</b>	<b>Terry Wofford, P.P.</b>
<b>Trail Busters</b>	
<b>Meeting</b>	<b>2nd Monday monthly</b>
<b>Chief</b>	<b>Ray Harris</b>

Directors Staff	
<b>Meeting</b>	<b>3rd Thursday monthly</b>
<b>Director</b>	<b>Chris Hudson</b>

Public Relations Committee	
<b>Brian Smith</b>	<b>Alcazar Webmaster</b>
<b>Lee Sims, P.P.</b>	<b>Recorder</b>

Membership Committee	
Eddie Ellis	Chairman
Steve Starr	

  

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Alcazar Shrine Clubs	
<b>Autauga County Shrine Club</b>	
<b>Dave Russell</b>	<b>President</b>
<b>E-Mail</b>	
<b>Phone</b>	<b>334-365-9907</b>
<b>Meeting</b>	<b>2nd Thursday every other month (Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep, Nov)</b>
<b>Location</b>	
<b>Covington County Shrine Club</b>	
<b>Ricky Cooley</b>	
<b>Email</b>	
<b>Phone</b>	<b>334-504-1056 (C) 334-222-1876 (H)</b>
<b>Meeting</b>	<b>4th Thursday every month at 7 PM</b>
<b>Location</b>	
<b>Crenshaw County Shrine Club</b>	
<b>Andy Compton, P.P.</b>	
<b>E-Mail</b>	
<b>Phone</b>	
<b>Meeting</b>	<b>3rd Monday monthly 7 PM</b>
<b>Location</b>	
<b>Geneva Shrine Club</b>	
<b>Jerry Broadway</b>	
<b>Email</b>	
<b>Phone</b>	<b>850-419-0376</b>
<b>Meeting</b>	<b>1st Tuesday monthly 6 PM</b>
<b>Location</b>	
<b>Phenix City Shrine Club</b>	
<b>Don Gates</b>	
<b>Email</b>	<b>adustybob@aol.com</b>
<b>Phone</b>	<b>(706) 566-1875</b>
<b>Meeting</b>	<b>1st &amp; 3rd Wednesday monthly 7 PM</b>
<b>Location</b>	
<b>River Region Club</b>	
<b>Ross Mc Coy</b>	
<b>Email</b>	<b>Email</b>
<b>Phone</b>	
<b>Meeting</b>	<b>3rd Thursday monthly 7PM</b>
<b>Location</b>	
<b>Troy Shrine Club</b>	
<b>Neil Sneed</b>	
<b>Email</b>	
<b>Phone</b>	<b>334-344-0542</b>
<b>Meeting</b>	<b>2nd Thursday monthly 7PM</b>
<b>Location</b>	
<b>Wiregrass Shrine Club</b>	
<b>Heiko Maier</b>	
<b>Email</b>	
<b>Phone</b>	<b>334-545-1532</b>
<b>Meeting</b>	<b>1st Monday monthly if holiday; held the following Monday 7:30 PM</b>
<b>Location</b>	<b>Wiregrass Shrine Club</b>

## Message from the Potentate



Greetings Nobles & Ladies

Here is hoping everyone had a beautiful & pleasant spring and now having a wonderful summer.

A great heartfelt "Thank You" to all that helped with the Potentate Ball in April. We had a lovely evening.

Since Alcazar has gone POV (Private Own Vehicle), at the April Quarterly there was concern by some that we were more concerned with saving money than taking care of our children. Alcazar will continue to see that all children who come to us for help will get to the Shrine Hospital that takes care of their particular needs. There are some Shrine Centers who have been POV for several years now. Yet, their children have received the care they need. A three man committee is currently researching the needs for Alcazar.

If any Noble has any personal items stored at Alcazar, come get them asap. We will be cleaning house to see what can be disposed of.

Remember Membership is #1. If each Alcazar Noble was a Top Line Signer on one petition in 2023, think of what that would do for our membership. A Big Thanks to those Nobles who have gotten a new Shriner this year!

Shriners International, 2023 Imperial Session will be July 2nd thru 6th ,2023 in Charlotte, NC. It will be a time of renewing old friendships & making new ones. See you in Charlotte!!

Till next time, let's remember those that have lost loved ones and those that have health issues.

Fraternally,

Eddie Ellis, Potentate

### DIXIE SHRINE ASSOCIATION CONVENTION

THE DIXIE SHRINE ASSOCIATION MEETING WILL BE HELD IN PANAMA CITY BEACH FLORIDA FROM NOVEMBER 16th THRU NOVEMBER 18th. THE "DROP DEAD" DATE FOR REGISTERING FOR THE CONVENTION AND OR ANY BANQUETS WILL BE OCTOBER 10, 2023. IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO ATTEND, PLEASE CONTACT LEE SIMS AT THE ALCAZAR OFFICE FOR A REGISTRATION FORM.

## Message from the Assistant Rabban

Dear Nobles and Ladies,

Myself and Lady Jayne hope you are all doing well. If you have a child Graduating this year Congratulations and we wish for them much success in their endeavors.

If you missed III. Sir Eddie Ellis and his Lady Janice's Potentates Ball you missed a great night in Paris. Everything was beautiful and the food was amazing.

July 14th is our next Quarterly Meeting. Please plan to attend. THIS IS YOUR TEMPLE and a good way to get information. As always, the Ladies Divan would appreciate it if You or your Lady would bring a finger food to enjoy.

Upcoming: The Crenshaw County Peanut Boil. This is a great time for Fun, Fellowship and a lot of Hard work which is worth every bit.

Yours in the Faith, Kenny Wood, Assistant Rabban



## Message from the High Priest and Prophet

Lady Kathy and I would like to say we had a great time at the Potentate Ball with all the visiting Nobles. Also had a great time voting for 7 new members to a great group of Shriner's. We look forward to what's coming up in the next few months. Quarterly in July, hoping we will have a few more members to vote in.

Just a reminder the Sportsman gun give away will kick off soon. Please make sure each of you reach out to the Temple to receive your books of tickets to sell. We need to sell the General drawing tickets and sponsorship books of tickets. Also, to the Clubs, reach out to the Lodges to see if any Master Mason want to become a part of this great organization. We would like to thank you all for your support and appreciate all that you do.

GOD and COUNTRY

Neil Sneed, High Priest & Prophet



## Message from the Oriental Guide



Dear nobles,

Over the past few months I have had an opportunity to visit many clubs and units, unfortunately not all of them. I have appreciated the work that each of our clubs and units continue to do to support their Nobles and the Temple. One thing that has come to mind in my visits has been the brotherhood of Shriners.

This brotherhood embodies a unique blend of philanthropy, camaraderie, and a shared commitment to making a difference in the lives of children. We are a community of dedicated individuals who rally together for a "noble" cause, the support of the Hospitals, ensuring that all children receive specialized medical care, regardless of their ability to pay. This shared purpose forms the foundation of our bond and drives your unwavering dedication.

Beyond that we thrive on the spirit of camaraderie and friendship and strive to actively engage in social activities, events, and gatherings. This fosters a sense of belonging and strengthens our bond, I have never felt closer to some of you brothers than when we have our sleeves rolled up, cleaning, repairing or serving. Through our shared experiences we are creating lifelong friendships. In it all we are having fun in our celebration of life, laughter, and work.

You Nobles know how to make a difference while having the time of your lives, and I thank you for that.

Fraternally yours, David Hunt, Oriental Guide 2023

## Message from the Recorder



Greetings Nobles and Ladies, Summer is here and as you receive this Noble News your Imperial Representatives will be preparing to attend the Imperial Session in Charlotte No. Carolina.

This session sounds as if it will have a lot of very important legislation to be voted on. At our July Quarterly Meeting we will be advising all of the membership of the outcome of this legislation.

As in previous articles I have talked about membership. At the time of this writing Alcazar Shriners are having a "positive" gain in membership. With that thought in mind, at the present time there are 65 Nobles that have not paid their 2022 and 2023 dues. This is a serious situation that could result in those that have not paid these dues being suspended for non payment of dues at the end of this year. If this would occur it would reduce the membership at Alcazar to 544 Nobles and the loss of a voting Imperial Representative.

If you know of a Noble that has not paid their dues, please encourage them to get current and pay their dues.

Respectfully submitted, Lee R. Sims, P.P. Recorder, Alcazar Shriners

## Message from the First Lady

Happy Summer Nobles & Ladies.

I pray this finds everyone happy and well. Eddie and I had so much fun at our Potentates Ball. We are so grateful to all who were able to attend. We can not thank the men and women enough who helped us accomplish such a lovely evening. I hope each of you thoroughly enjoyed yourselves.

Ladies, I can not tell you how much help your Baked Goods are at gun shows. This is one of our largest fundraisers & "YOU" help to make this happen. You are welcome to come help sell the goodies or just stop by and visit for a while.

Bring your favorite dish & come join us at quarterly on July 14th. It is lots of fun to spend time with each other while the men meet. Lady Jayne will be contacting you closer to time for your food contribution. If you don't normally come and we don't have your name & number, PLEASE come as our guest and join in the fun and let us get to know you.

We have many Soy Candle fragrances. This is one of your LARGEST FUNDRAISERS! They make GREAT GIFTS. These are made by a local lady. Please purchase some for your home and for gifts to help out the Ladies. They burn clean and smell fabulous. They are 15.00 each. The candles will be available for purchase at the Quarterlies or in the Office at Alcazar anytime. Thank you for your support.

We look forward to seeing you at each and every event you can attend. Please pray for those who have health issues or have lost loved ones. God Bless Each Household Represented At Alcazar.

Janice Ellis



## ATTENTION NOBLES

### Gun Giveaway

The Alcazar 2023 Sportsman's Gun Giveaway is just around the corner on October 21, 2023.

Tickets to purchase and or sell will become available in the next few weeks.

**Alcazar will not be sending a book of tickets to each noble as in the past, in an effort to save expenses. In the past years there has been little to no response on the books of tickets mailed out.'**

This year, if you want tickets you can either come to the temple office and pick them up or call the temple office and we will mail them to you.

This is a major fund raising project for alcazar and we need your help in making it a success.

## Installing your Dues Card on a Smart Phone

### iPhone

1. Open the App Store on your phone
2. Search for “My Fez Card Viewer” and click on the icon
3. Click the Install” button to install My Fez Card Viewer.

### Android

1. Open the Play Store on your phone
2. Search for “My FezCard Viewer” and click on the icon.
3. Click the install button to install My FezCard Viewer”.

## Using My Fez Card Viewer

1. Open My Fez Card Viewer. Enter your Shrine ID and last name. Type your Temple Name and click on it to highlight it. Click the ‘REGISTER button at the bottom. You will only need to register the first time you open the app.
2. At the bottom of the screen you will have two options: Shrine Card and QR code. The screen will display a gold membership card if your dues are unpaid and if you are current the display will show a black card with the current payment year.
3. You can click on the “QR” code at the bottom or swipe the screen to the left to view the “QR” code for easy scanning at Temple events.

## OFFICIAL CALL OF THE POTENTATE

July 14, 2023

7:30 PM

Alcazar Shrine Center

555 Eastern Blvd.

Montgomery, Alabama 36117

Office 334-279-9174

Eddie Ellis, Potentate

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

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.

2023 DUES CARDS ARE REQUIRED FOR  
ADMISSION

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DATES TO REMEMBER				
Every Monday and Friday		Bingo @ Phenix City Shrine Club		
Every Thursday		Bingo @ Wiregrass Shrine Club		
Every Saturday		Flea Market @ Troy Shrine Club		
7/12	Divan meeting	Alcazar Shrine Temple	Bldg and Grounds 4pm Finance 5pm, Divan 6pm	
7/14	Temple Quarterly	Alcazar Shrine Temple	6pm Food, 7:30pm Meeting	Bring your favorite dish
7/29—30	Temple Gun Show	Alcazar Shrine Temple	Sat 8—5, Sun 10—4	Ladies will be hosting a bakesale. Food item donations welcome
8/9	Divan Meeting	Alcazar Shrine Temple	Divan 6pm	
8/17—19	Buck Masters			
8/30—9/3	Crenshaw County Alcazar Shrine Club World Largest Peanut Boil	1840 Montgomery Hwy, Luverne, AL 36049	All day	Volunteers are always welcome to help fill orders
9/13	Divan Meeting	Alcazar Shrine Temple	Divan 6pm	
9/16—17	Gun Show	Alcazar Shrine Temple	Sat 8—5, Sun 10—4	
9/23	Sock Hop	Alcazar Shrine Temple	3pm	Nobles & Ladies Appreciation Day