

THE  
**ARABIAN**

VOL. XLVIII NO. 01

A.A.O.N.M.S.

JANUARY 2010

*Arabia Shrine  
2010 Inaugural Ball*

*A Magical Evening*

*Saturday*

*January 23, 2010*

*7:30 P.M. until Twelve Midnight*

*Introductions at 8:00 P.M.*

*Arabia Shrine Center*

*10510 Harwin Dr.*

*Houston, Texas 77036*

*Dress: Formal (or dark suit) and Fez*

*Food will be served*

*Please RSVP to Jean Shaw, (713) 664-3437*

*by January 15, 2010*

*- Adults Only - No babysitting available*

## POTENTATE'S MESSAGE



Dear Nobles,

Sharyn and I want to thank all the Nobles and their Ladies that have helped to make 2009 a good year for the Temple. We would especially like to thank the Top Three Staff couples for the exceptional job they did for Sharyn and I this year. Our Chief Ambassador, Ronnie Odell, and his Lady Judy did a great job setting up the Shrine Club Official Visits and keeping the Clubs informed and notified of upcoming events. Our Colonel, Paul Weber, and his Lady Betty were a vital source in keeping the Units informed about parades and Betty thrilled Sharyn with a beautiful and fun First Lady's Luncheon in October. What can you say about a couple like Jerry Glenn, our Chief of Staff, and his Lady Corinne? I cannot begin to tell you all the wonderful things they did for us. They took the ball all year and made sure everything got done when it needed to be done without us having to ask them. I don't believe either one of them knows how to say "No"! They are both a joy to work with and they have been wonderful friends. We wish them the best as they continue their role in 2010.

As our year comes to an end, Sharyn and I look back on lots of happy memories, good friends made, and fun times. We have been blessed by the support and friendship that all of you have given us over the past 5 years. Thank you for remaining positive and helping to get the Temple back on the road to fun and fellowship and enjoying and building our new home.

Our best to Mike and Phyllis as they begin their year!

We wish all of you a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous 2010.

Fraternally yours,  
Ken Aldridge, Potentate

**PLEASE NOTE FOR JANUARY 17th:**

**Memorial Service in the Blue Room at 2:30 PM**

**Staff Orientation in the Gold Room at 4:00 PM**

**Please RSVP to Jean Shaw by  
Friday, January 15th**

**ARABIA TEMPLE**  
PO Box 420549  
Houston Texas 77242  
or  
10510 Harwin Drive  
Houston Texas 77036

Telephone: 713-664-3437  
Fax: 713-664-3439  
www.shriners-houston.org

**ARABIA SHRINE CENTER DIVAN**

Ken Aldridge (Sharyn) ..... Potentate  
Mike Ellis (Phyllis).....Chief Rabban  
John McDonald (Terri) .....Assistant Rabban  
Dale DeFoor (Janet) ..... High Priest & Prophet  
Robert Sharpe (Linda) .....Oriental Guide  
David Ashley (Melissa) ..... Treasurer  
Harry Pressman (Joni)..... Recorder

**ELECTED IMPERIAL REPRESENTATIVES**

Ken Aldridge ..... Potentate  
Mike Ellis .....Chief Rabban  
John McDonald.....Assistant Rabban  
Dale DeFoor ..... High Priest & Prophet

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

L. Gene Hightower.....2007-2009  
Norm Miller .....2007-2009  
Billy Alford.....2008-2010  
Jerry Parrish, P.P. ....2008-2010  
A. J. DiCaro .....2009-2011  
David Janda.....2009-2011

**DIRECTOR OF PUBLICATIONS AND WEB**

John McLeod  
mcleod-web-pub@sbcglobal.net

**CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR**

**(Roster Updates)**

Bill Walker  
wow1b2@gmail.com

**NOTICE OF STATED MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that the next regularly scheduled meeting of Arabia Temple will be held **Monday, January 18, 2009**. Please RSVP to Jean by Thursday, January 14, 2009.

The stated meeting will begin at **7:00 PM**. Business to be conducted will include such business as may come before the nobility.

Wear your fez – 2009 dues card required.

Ken Aldridge  
Potentate

Harry Pressman  
Recorder



**IN MEMORY**



Barney A. Eilers  
Royce R. Frederick  
Dozier P. Gossett  
Sammy Habeeb  
Donald M. Huron  
Jack H. Levine  
Robert F. Link  
H. Kyle Nagel  
J. C. Rabon  
Hugh M. Ridgway  
Richard F. Smith  
Dan K. Stevens  
Fred F. Young

## PATROL

By: Norm Bates, President

Here we go, 2010 is underway – getting settled in our new Shrine Center – with the Unit Room build out having begun (we hope). The Patrol is off and running. Year end celebrations have concluded, we can concentrate on making it the best year ever!! We have many new things to look forward to this coming year.

The Patrol held the Election of Officers at the November Stated Meeting with the following Patrolmen being elected for the year 2010 – Captain – Henry Gonzales, 1st Lt. Social – Dan Walsh, 1st Lt. Military – Gordon Marney, Drill Lt. – Dennie Jackson, Secretary – Norm Bates, with the appointed Financial Officer/Treasurer to be appointed later.

It appears at this time that the traditional Past Potentates Ball will not come about this year. This has been a very difficult decision for the Unit but with the indications of the lack of support the success would be doubtful. This has prompted the decision to forgo this function in 2010. Sorry – maybe next year.

The 2010 Inaugural Ball will be held in the Arabia Shrine Center Grand Ballroom on Saturday night January 23rd 2010. This is an Arabia sponsored Gala, come out, meet your new Divan, enjoy a great evening.

Along with all these “opportunities” please don’t forget that the 2010 circus is coming and everyone needs to be working on our circus sales in support of this project. Help us make this another record breaking year.

## A PERSONAL THANK YOU

I would like to acknowledge the many calls, visits, cards and prayers during my hospital stay in November. Your kindness and support were my companions and lifted me up during some rather rocky days. I’m home and recovering swiftly finally and ready to put the harnesses on and get back to work.

Bless you all,  
John C Barron

## THANK YOU!

I want to express my appreciation to all the Nobles that worked “Benefits” during 2009. I was mainly the “Collector of the Funds” and my job was made easier with the support of so many of you. As we know, it take a lot of money to run our hospital system and I could not have “collected” as much as I have without the help of all of you. Between IHOP, cook-offs, golf tournaments, fishing tournaments, clay shoots, trail rides, the car show and all the other events, Arabia showed once again how much it cares about the kids.

Thanks,  
Dale DeFoor  
2009 High Priest and Prophet

## FROM THE FIRST LADY . . . Book Exchange

Our Book Exchange is now up and running! Many of the Ladies have been asking me to get some book shelves set up somewhere in the Temple so that they would have a place for a Book Exchange. These shelves are now located in the Rear Parlor, by the back door coming into that room. It is a large wooden book- case with a dark stain on it. There is a sign on the bookcase that says “Book Exchange”. Everyone is invited to use the Book Exchange. We are asking that anyone who is interested, bring in their books that they have already read and put them on the shelves. Anyone is welcome to take a book, up to 3 books, and then return them when they are finished so that others may enjoy reading them. Thank you and “good reading!”



Sharyn Aldridge

## NEW CANDIDATES

### Candidate

### Lady

### Top Signer

#### November 16, 2009

Bennie Edwin Bortz, Sr.		Daniel Cantwell
Lonnie Wayne Cantwell	Amy	Daniel Cantwell
Kenneth Hayden	Jennifer	Daniel Cantwell
Ronald Gene Hodges		Daniel Cantwell
Dwayne Morrow	Tiffany	Daniel Cantwell
Christopher L. Parr	Karen	Daniel Cantwell

#### November 24, 2009

Bennie Edwin Bortz, Jr.	Donna	Daniel Cantwell
Lonnie Claude Coleman	Jay Jay	Daniel Cantwell
James Edward Cox	Mindy	Barry Podwin
Arturo Morales Looza		Barry Podwin
Leighton Ray Ricks	Chari	Barry Podwin

#### December 10, 2009

Errol Krehe Harrison, Jr.		Frank Lynn
Felix B. Lewandowski		Robert Hitt
Adolph Thomas	Shirley	Willy F. Bohlmann, Jr.
John W. Cochran	Andrea	Bill Cave

#### December 14, 2009

Albert Jack Garrett	Jackie	Daniel Cantwell
Thomas Bodie O'Donnell		Wesley Nichols
Gary Richard O'Connor, Jr.		Barry Podwin

#### December 29, 2009

Winston P. Holmes	Estelle	Ray Ricks
Billy Ray Norman		Ray Ricks

---

## CALLING ALL SHRINERS!

Help us help you. Please contact Bill Walker at wow1b2@gmail.com to update your information in the roster. He needs information for the clubs and units as well as everyone's address, phone numbers and e-mail addresses.

Also, please contact John McLeod at mcleod-web-pub@sbcglobal.net with any articles

you might want to add to *The Arabian* or updates for the web site. He also needs information for the clubs and units (officer information, pictures, write-ups). **Remember, all articles need to be to him by the 5th of the month prior to the next issue** (i.e., May's articles need to be e-mailed by April 5th). All articles should be in Microsoft Word 2003 format using Arial font.

## LEGION OF HONOR

By: John E. Metzler, P.S.C.

This New Year 2010 is the time to celebrate a new beginning, a time to wish all of our friends and love one's a happy and healthy New Year.

Let this coming year bring us encouragement more satisfying than most of the preceding. Vow to do some of the things you've always wanted to do but couldn't find the time. Call up a forgotten friend, brother or member of the family. Drop an old grudge, and replace it with some pleasant memories. Vow not to make a promise you know it is unlikely that you will keep. Walk Texas tall, and smile more. You'll look ten years younger. Don't be afraid to pat someone on the back and say something complimentary or to someone very special, "I love you". Say it often. They are the sweetest words known to mankind.

The 40th Annual LOH Military Ball, held on November 14th, 2009 was perhaps the most successful special occasion held in the last 20 years. Everything was bigger and better: beginning with the introductions of the Arabia Divan, the Legion of Honor Officers, the Texas Association Legion of Honor Officers, the International Legion of Honor Officers and special guest.

Compliments from the State and International Officers and their spouses regarding the Ballroom and tables were abundant and profuse. They were highly impressed with the 225 Big Band, the draping of the Ballroom and the magnificent chandelier. Much attention was given to the members of the dance clubs attending and their performances.

Receipts from the sales of the Military Ball Dance, the Whisky Wagon, the 50/50 Drawing, and the Silent Auction produced more revenue for the LOH coffers than realized in many a year. All in all, the hard work exerted by Commander Ed Melberg, his Lady Lynn and many of the LOH membership produced quite a spectacle and may not be seen again until the next Military Ball in 2010.

LOH members attending the Tomball Holiday Parade on November 21, 2009, riding in our beautiful State and National Flag Float were: Cmdr. Ed Melberg, Orvil Musch, Doyle Kelly, and Preston Blackmon. There was a huge turn-out for this popular parade although there had been a weather man's prediction of rainy weather, however the rain held off until just after the parade.

The LOH Annual Christmas Party was held in the Arabia Shrine Center Gold Room on December 11, 2009 with a large turn-out of the membership, their Ladies, widows and the Divan and their Ladies. The menu consisted of: eggnog, Caesar salad, turkey & dressing, cranberry sauce, home made rolls, broccoli casserole, whipped sweet potatoes, fruit cobbler with vanilla ice cream, iced tea and coffee. Entertainment was provided by Guy's Pop & Country Ensemble.

**Interested in joining the LOH?** If you have served honorably in the military of the U.S., Canada, Mexico, Panama or many other affiliated democratic countries: contact our Commander, Ed Melberg at telephone #281-395-3566.

## **BRAZOS VALLEY SHRINE CLUB**

By: Bob Epps

At the November 18th meeting, the BVSC gave old Tom Turkey a dinner break by serving delicious mouth watering Rib-eye steak with all the trimmings. Club Pres. Ed Staples made all his introductions and noted there was a trio of Arabia Ambassadors present. Protocol introductions were made and recognition was given to Club Ambassador Clyde Collins and Lady Linda, Regional Ambassador Bob Epps and Lady Mary Lu, and Chief Ambassador Ronnie Odell and Lady Judy. All brought greetings and salutations from Illustrious Potentate Ken Aldridge. Chief Amb. Odell stressed the importance of BVSC and other out-of-town Shrine Clubs to participate in the monthly meetings and events of Arabia Shrine Center in Houston. Chief Amb. Odell also discussed the joint administration of the Houston and Galveston Hospitals and reopening ceremony of the Galveston Hospital in mid December.

1st Veep Hank Salzmman was at this best as a "FCPIT" (Future Club President in Training). All the socializing and handshaking made for good camaraderie.

Noble John Hale, BVSC 2nd Vice Pres., was successful again in providing an outstanding

program for the evening. Mr. Joe Fauth, a Management Consultant and a member of the Houston Live Stock Show and Rodeo, was guest speaker. His topic, "Motivational Leadership in support of Charitable Organizations", could have easily applied to Shriners. Three important challenges include (1) Being Motivated. (2) Being Committed, and (3) Being able to stay with your commitment. That's good advice for all of us.

Past Pres. Kevin Karli announced officers' nominations to serve in the New Year are: Hank Salzmman, President, John Hale, 1st Vice President, Monty Yawn, 2nd Vice President, and Tommy Light, P.P., Secretary/Treasurer. The Board of Directors will announce at the January 28, 2010 meeting.

Say, how about that Tomball Parade on Saturday, November 21st last year. The cold and misty weather didn't dampen the spirits. Chief Rabban Mike Ellis, Recorder Harry Pressman, Chief of Staff Jerry Glenn, and Regional Ambassador Bob Epps hitched a ride in Parade Marshal Colonel Paul Weber's 1925 Model "T" truck from the Klein Market to the parade starting point. There was plenty of cold air in the truck to freshen up your attitude. Looking like the scarecrow from the Wizard of Oz, Colonel Paul Weber proved his talents as operator of the Model "T" truck. In the parade, Regional Ambassador Bob Epps did not let his awesome responsibility of being the Shot-Gun rider on

the Model "T" from interfering with the good time of an Arabia Shriner in the parade. At the end of the parade, Shriners received a rich reward of "Parade-Well-Done" salute from the Illustrious Potentate, the Divan and their cheerful supporting ladies of the nobility. Parades are a terrific way to get the word out to the public on the importance of support to and the work of Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Congratulations to Past President Henry O'Neal on being coroneted Inspector General Honorary 33<sup>o</sup> Scottish Rite Mason in ceremonies held in Galveston on November 21, 2009. Congratulations are also in order to Club Ambassador Clyde Collins, Past President Troy Dean and Noble Owen West for their Investiture of the rank and Decoration of Knights Commander of Court of Honor (KCCH) in the Galveston Scottish Rite ceremonies. The dedication of these Shriners to the Masonic Fraternity has been exceptional and praiseworthy.

BVSC meeting schedule is back to the fourth Wednesday of month for 2010. January 28th is a club officer installation night. February 24, 2010 is the Annual Business meeting. A special program is on deck for the ladies. Come be part of Shrinedom in the Brazos Valley. Social begins at 6:30 PM, followed by dinner and the evening's activities. Bryan's Briarcrest Country Club is the location. We're saving a place for you.







## SHRINERS HOSPITAL TO MARK REOPENING WITH PARADE

By: Bronwyn Turner / The Daily News, December 12, 2009

GALVESTON — A Shriners parade, complete with clowns, motorcycles, horses and a variety of minicars, will celebrate the reopening of Galveston’s Shriners Hospital for Children on Sunday.

At parade’s end, a reopening ceremony will include free hot dogs, soda and popcorn served up by the Lighthouse Charity Team’s rolling kitchen. The food will be served on the Ninth Street side of the hospital.

“We’ve been looking forward to this,” Sgt. Raymond Rubio, a Galveston police officer and chief rabban of El Mina Shriners in Galveston, said. “We’ve been opened since Nov. 4 ... and in the very near future we’ll be treating very acutely burned children and, hopefully, everything will just go forward from there.”

The hospital, ranked among the best in the world for its advances in treating badly burned children, is resuming service in phases, starting with reconstructive surgeries. The hospital should be fully operational later this month.

Hurricane Ike and the recession’s impact on endowment funds temporarily closed the 30-bed facility more than a year ago. Shriners rallied to reopen the hospital, scaling back its budget and drafting plans to accept insurance payments.

After the hurricane, patients formerly seen in Galveston were treated at Houston’s Shriners Hospital for Children until the Galveston hospital could reopen and renew its partnership with specialists at the University of Texas Medical Branch.

Sunday’s celebration will draw Shriners from as many as 13 temples in the state. “We love to be in parades,” said Rubio, who will be driving his mini Model T car. “Everything that you can imagine that can be in a parade will probably be there.”



## SHRINERS MARK HOSPITAL'S RETURN TO GALVESTON WITH PARADE, CEREMONY

By: Hayley Kappes / The Daily News, December 14, 2009

GALVESTON, Texas — After Mexico City native Vielka Maza Juarez, 4, suffered severe burns over most of her body from an explosion in the family's kitchen, doctors advised her mother to seek treatment at an internationally ranked burn hospital across the border.

Vielka, other patients and Shriners from across Texas were honored Sunday at Galveston's Shriners Hospital for Children reopening parade and ceremony.

Vielka and her mother, Erica Maza, arrived in Galveston two weeks ago. The girl initially was treated at the University of Texas Medical Branch for acute burns.

She was admitted at Shriners after being released.

"The doctors have been great, and the healing has gone very quickly," Maza said through an interpreter. "I think being in an environment with other children has helped a lot."

Vielka will have another reconstructive surgery today and will remain at Shriners indefinitely.

She had difficulty moving her arms and legs after the accident but made noticeable progress through rehabilitation sessions, Megan Polak, rehabilitation services manager, said.

Polak was one of many Galveston employees who followed her patients to Houston after the hurricane.

"I'm so happy to come back and work here," she said. "These patients need this hospital, and many wouldn't survive if it wasn't here."

The hospital reopened Nov. 4 for previous burn reconstruction patients who needed follow-up surgery after damage from Hurricane Ike caused it to close more than a year ago.

While the Galveston hospital was closed, about 2,000 burn patients were treated at Houston's Shriners Hospital for Children, which specializes in orthopedic care, hospital spokeswoman Jo Ann Zuniga said.

Treatment for patients with acute burns is being phased into the Galveston hospital. Zuniga said they hope to be back at full capacity by the end of March.

The hospital was in danger of permanently closing because of a decline in endowment funds, until local Shriners convinced representatives at this year's national session to reopen the facility, Jim Denson, chairman of the hospitals board of governors, said.

Galveston's Shriners shortened their budget by \$8 million and cut more than half of their staff in the process, but officials are aiming to have the same number of employees as before Ike when the hospital reaches its operational capacity.

The hospital's return had significance not only for patients and employees, but signaled another recovery for Galvestonians after Ike, Raul Frevel, imperial Shrine officer, said.

He recalled driving to Galveston days after the storm and was amazed at how Shriners financially helped out hospital employees who were suddenly without a job.

"How could we ever close a facility that has been there for thousands and thousands of children?" Frevel asked.



## ARABIA SPORTSMEN

By: Rudy Staudt

Our November Stated Meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM by President Mike Enmon. First on the agenda was the outcome of the Wild Well Control Golf Tournament that our unit supported. After being delayed, due to rain, it was held on November 10th at the Cypress Golf Course. The wine gift basket we donated was given away in a drawing that raised \$2000.00. Ron Odell was the lucky winner. Ron donated it back and it sold for another \$2000.00 in a live auction.

At the calendar meeting, dates for our two annual fund raisers were set. The Sixth Annual Fishing Tournament will be held on May 22, 2010, at the Matagorda Harbor Marina. Our web site is being updated at this time to reflect changes to the next tournament. Our Fourth Annual Clays Tournament will be held on October 9, 2010, at the American Shooting Center.

Next on the agenda was the election of officers for the 2010 year. Starting in January, they will be as follows: President, Mike Enmon, Vice President, James VanMeter, Secretary and Treasurer, Rudy Staudt. I would like to thank Sherman Markowitz on behalf of the Sportsmen Unit. Sherman has decided to not run for office due to other obligations. His leadership in multiple terms as President, Secretary and Treasurer has been influential in making our unit one of the premier units in Arabia Shrine.

Our December meeting and annual Christmas Party was held on December 11 at the Carriage House.

James VanMeter made a motion that the unit buy a flat bed trailer. He would like to build a barbeque pit, chili cooker and fish fryer on the trailer. This would be used at the Willis, TX Chili Cook-off that is held each March, and other events. This is a hospital benefit held at the American Legion Hall and last year they matched the amount raised at the tournament. The motion passed and we have already located to perfect trailer.

A vote was taken and passed to make a sponsorship donation for up to \$1500.00 to the annual Sporting Clay Tournament benefiting children's diabetes. This tournament is organized by Clyde Evans. He has helped us make our tournament the success it has become.

If you are not currently a member, we meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Shrine Center. By the time you receive this issue, we should be in our new meeting room. It is located upstairs in the new game room. We have been decorating the room with pictures, game and fish mounts. If you have any mounts that can be donated, please bring them to the center. We are going to make brass plaques with the donator's name to place below the mount.

If you have any questions about joining our units, please call Mike Enmon, 713-301-0878 or Rudy Staudt, 281-356-6797.

Have a HAPPY NEW YEAR. See you in January!



**PLEASE NOTE:**  
**Movie night will start  
again in May and  
game night will start  
again in June.**



### COLONEL'S CORNER

By: Paul Weber



Saturday, February 13th: Palacios Valentine Sweetheart Parade  
Line up is 12:00 noon, Step off is 1:00 PM

Saturday, February 20th: 45th Annual Go Texan Parade in Conroe  
Line up is 12:00 noon, Step off is 1:00 PM

Details will be mailed to club and unit heads and posted on the Arabia Shrine Center web site when they become available for the above parades.

#### WE CARE CORNER

John Bentley  
713-634-0237

#### WIDOWS' CLUB MEETING

2nd Wednesday  
10:00 AM  
Arabia Shrine Center

## *A LIVING MEMORIAL LIVES ON*

Lest we forget our Hospital Benefit Programs are year round by virtue of their continuing needs. "A **LIVING MEMORIAL**" can add meaning to your remembrance for a friend or loved one and will help a physically challenged child to walk or a burned child to live. "A **LIVING MEMORIAL**" will answer parents' prayers. More and more of our members are taking advantage of the postage paid memorial envelopes for such tributes.

I respectfully ask and urge you to support this portion of our Hospital Benefit Program.

**Dale DeFoor, High Priest & Prophet  
2009 Benefit Chairman**

"LIVING MEMORIAL" envelopes can be obtained through the Temple Office.

#### The following is a list of DONORS:

Don & Barbara Baird  
Francis M. Fielder, Jr.  
Brenda Marsh  
Marianne E. Richardson  
Wilma Simon

Dave & Nancy Chappell  
Philip & Pat Jordan, Jr.  
Missouri City AARP  
Sam Houston Shrine Club  
Vana Road Boring Services

Colorado Valley Shrine Club  
Doyle Kelly  
Martin & Dona Page  
Florence Sell

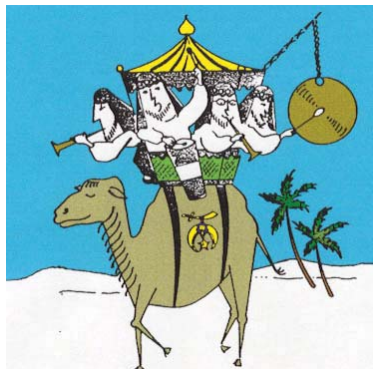
## ORIENTAL BAND

By: John Barron

A new year has begun and shortly the gaiety of an Inaugural Ball will soon take over the activities of this first new month. New Divan members will be installed in their respective stations and each officer will assume their duties as well as membership, benefits and of course the annual Shrine Circus plans will ready for beginning. To each of our elected Divan the Oriental Band extends its promise of support and a willingness to dig in and go for huge successes.

Officers for the 2010 Oriental Band are: Bill Oakley (serving a third time), President. Hugh Berry, Vice President, Roque Haines, Band Director and John Barron, Secretary/Treasurer. The officers are committed to strengthening the roster and are asking each and every member to support by bringing in at least one new member. Every one knows a Mason who should be a Shriner or a Shriner that has not found a unit or club yet to call home. We believe that the Oriental Band provides one of the most unique experiences of any unit. The pageantry of our competition is something to be seen with all the different costumes from around the nation creating the most unusual sound. Plus we are certain to be challenged both at TSA and Imperial to retain our First place standings. Even parades take on a spirit of their own when the Oriental Band rides by.

Information is available for Oriental Band Mid Winter in beautiful, historic Granbury Texas coming this March 12th through the 14th. The Moslah Shrine Bedouins will be hosting and believe me this will be an affair with all the activities our State Oriental Band President has planned. Get your reservations in early by contacting John Barron, Secretary/Treasurer for the forms and lodging information. Who ever on the Divan that draws the straw for accompanying the Band as our rep needs to bring his bed sheet (yes that's right) for the Toga party and also plan to participate in a very special degree that any Shriner can be part of but only Oriental Bandsmen can put on.



## WALLER COUNTY SHRINE CLUB

By: James M. Ladd

The Waller County Shrine would like to invite all Shriners and their family to attend our meetings, We meet on the first Thursday of the month at 6:00 PM to eat at Carl's Bar B Q on FM 2920 in Waller, between old and new US 290. The Business Meeting starts at 7:00 PM over in about and hour

We are growing and would enjoy having new members, our new slate of officers are ,Nobles Pres. Jimmy Hooper, VP Nick Coronis, Secy. James Ladd Chap. Robert Podvin, Alt. Chap. Don Price and John Crowhurst Director.

We have been blessed with an infusion of 4 new Shriners in the past 2 years, as well as having several Past Potentates join our Club. The new members have brought a zest for things to do and we are well grounded by the established members. Thanks to our Ambassador Mike Mantle we have been able donate 8 new Bikes for Circus over the past 2 years. This past year we were able donate to the Hospital and the First Lady Sharyn's "How About A Pick-up" program.

We look forward to seeing you, wish all the best for the New Year.

So it looks like a full year of activity, starting with Inaugural and continuing with the annual Brownsville trip in February and continuing on with Mid Winter. Start making your plans now and support the Oriental Band and Arabia in 2010.

# January 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 7:00 PM SOLI-DARITY LODGE/LR  <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">OFFICE CLOS...</span> <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">NEW YEAR'S ...</span>	2
3 5:00 PM BOW/ ARMIDILLA I	4 6:30 PM DTS/ GRE RM	5 11:30 AM LUN/GR 7:00 PM FTB 7:00 PM SAM LOS/STD. MTG./ LODGE RM	6 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM DON/STD MTG	7 6:30 PM GRE/GR <del>6:30 PM SOE</del> 7:00 PM AHR 7:00 PM WAL MEMORIAL LODGE/LR	8 5:00 PM CLJ/ INSTL/GR 7:00 PM PAT/ DECORATE BLRM 7:00 PM SOLI-DARITY LODGE/LR	9 8:00 AM PAT/ PAST POTEN-TATES DANCE
10 2:00 PM ART/GR 5:00 PM BOW/ ARMIDILLA I	11 6:00 PM PRO/GR	12 8:00 AM J W CHANDLER/LR 11:30 AM LUN/GR 6:30 PM ARK 6:30 PM LOH/GR 7:00 PM SPO/ PARLOR. 7:30 PM GOL/ GRNRM	13 10:00 AM WIDOWS/GRN ROOM	14 6:30 PM MOC/GR 6:30 PM ORB/ BLURM 6:30 PM SAJ MEMORIAL LODGE/LR	15 6:00 PM DRC 7:00 PM SOLI-DARITY LODGE/LR GOLF PLAYDAY	16 8:00 AM GRAND MASTER'S CONF/BLRM
17 2:30 PM MEMO-RIAL SERVICE/ BLURM 4:00 PM 2010 STAFF ORIE-N-TATION/GR 5:00 PM BOW/ ARMIDILLA I	18 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: auto;">7:00 PM STATED MEET-ING &amp; INSTAL-LATION/5:45 PM DINNER/ RSVP</div>	19 11:30 AM LUN/GR 6:30 PM FEZ/ GRNRM 6:30 PM GUL 7:30 PM CLJ/GR	20	21 6:30 PM LAH 6:30 PM LUF MEMORIAL LODGE/LR	22 7:00 PM INAUGU-RAL BALL PRAC/BLRM	23 7:30 PM INAUGU-RAL BALL/ BLRM/GR
INAUGURAL BALL DECORATING						
24 5:00 PM BOW/ ARMIDILLA I	25 6:00 PM BAT 6:30 PM PAT/GR	26 11:30 AM LUN/GR 6:30 PM BOW 6:30 PM MGC	27 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: auto;">6:30 PM 1ST CIRCUS REPORT MTG/GR/ RSVP</div> 6:30 PM BRA 6:30 PM BRE	28 6:00 PM WES 6:30 PM NASA INSTL 6:30 PM TOM	29	30
31 5:00 PM BOW/ ARMIDILLA I						

# February 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> 6:30 PM DTS/ GRE RM	<b>2</b> 11:30 AM LUN/GR 7:00 PM FTB 7:00 PM LOS/GR 7:00 PM SAM LOS/STD. MTG./ LODGE RM	<b>3</b> 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM DON/STD MTG	<b>4</b> 6:30 PM GRE/GR <del>6:30 PM SOE</del> 7:00 PM AHR 7:00 PM WAL MEMORIAL LODGE/LR	<b>5</b> 7:00 PM SOLI- DARITY LODGE/LR	<b>6</b>
				DIVAN MID-WINTER - WACO		
<b>7</b> 2:00 PM ART/GR 5:00 PM BOW/ ARMIDILLA I	<b>8</b> 6:00 PM PRO/GR	<b>9</b> 8:00 AM J W CHANDLER/LR 11:30 AM LUN/GR 6:30 PM ARK 6:30 PM LOH/GR 7:00 PM SPO/ PARLOR 7:30 PM GOL/ GRNRM	<b>10</b> 10:00 AM WIDOWS/GRN ROOM	<b>11</b> 6:30 PM MOC/ BLURM 6:30 PM ORB/GR 6:30 PM SAJ MEMORIAL LODGE/LR	<b>12</b> 7:00 PM SOLI- DARITY LODGE/LR	<b>13</b> 1:00 PM GUL OV/PALACIOS PARADE/ RSVP
<b>14</b> 5:00 PM BOW/ ARMIDILLA I	<b>15</b> 6:00 PM FOOD/ 7:00 PM TEMPLE STATED MTG/ RSVP	<b>16</b> 11:30 AM LUN/GR 6:30 PM FEZ/ GRNRM 6:30 PM GUL 7:30 PM CLJ/GR	<b>17</b> 6:30 PM 2ND CIR REPORT MTG/GR/ RSVP	<b>18</b> 6:30 PM LAH OV/RSVP 6:30 PM LUF MEMORIAL LODGE/LR	<b>19</b> 6:00 PM DRC 7:00 PM SOLI- DARITY LODGE/LR GOLF PLAYDAY	<b>20</b> 10:00 AM GO TEXAN PARADE/ CONROE/ OFFICIAL
<b>21</b> 5:00 PM BOW/ ARMIDILLA I	<b>22</b> 6:00 PM BAT 6:30 PM PAT/GR	<b>23</b> 7:00 AM - 10:00 PM IHOP BENEFIT 11:30 AM LUN/GR 6:30 PM BOW 6:30 PM MGC	<b>24</b> 6:30 PM BRA 6:30 PM BRE	<b>25</b> 6:00 PM WES 6:30 PM NASA OV/RSVP 6:30 PM TOM	<b>26</b> 7:00 PM CITY- WIDE TABLE LODGE/ BLURM	<b>27</b>
RECORDERS' SEMINAR/SAVANNAH, GA				CHARRO DAYS/BROWNSVILLE		
<b>28</b> 5:00 PM BOW/ ARMIDILLA I						

Arabia Temple  
PO Box 420549  
Houston TX 77242

Service Address Requested



Non-Profit Org.  
US Postage Paid  
Permit 53  
Houston Texas

# NOTICE!

## Fund Raiser for Your Unit or Club

To All Units, Clubs and Ladies' Organizations

Starting in January, I will be looking for volunteers to cook a meal for our stated meetings. Should you decide to take on this task, your unit or club will be compensated. Just give me a call if interested.

Yours in Faith,  
Mike Ellis, Chief Rabban