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POTENTATE'S MESSAGE



Dear Nobles and Ladies:

October was a Banner Benefit Month. The Sportsman Unit, Arabian Knights, Arabia Golfers, The Wild Well Golf Tournament and The Administaff Golf Tournament did outstanding.

Don't forget the Pancake Breakfast at 7 AM and Calendar Meeting at 9 AM on Saturday, November 6th. This is the way for your units and clubs to get your events on the calendar for 2011.

As I am writing this article, we are busy preparing the Ballroom for the Military Ball on November 13th. The 2011 Circus Kickoff Dinner will follow on Sunday, November 14th in the Ballroom.

Stated Meeting will be Monday, November 15th. The Tomball Parade (official) will be Saturday, November 20th and there is the HEB Thanksgiving Day Parade (optional), November 25th in downtown Houston.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your Potentate this year. Thank you for all you do for Arabia Shrine Center, our Hospitals and our Kids.

Phyllis and I hope you have a wonderful Thanksgiving Season. We all have so much to be thankful for. We would like to thank each of you for your friendship and support.

Fraternally yours,
Mike Ellis, Potentate

NOTICE OF STATED MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the next regularly scheduled meeting of Arabia Temple will be held **Monday, November 15, 2010**. Please RSVP to Jean by Thursday, November 11, 2010.

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 – 2010 dues card required.

Mike Ellis
Potentate

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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 and any graphics should be sent as separate graphic files.



NEWSLETTER CHANGES!

By now you have probably noticed that the *Arabian* is 12 pages; down from 16 pages over the past few years. Cost saving measures are responsible for the decrease in size of the newsletter, thus the following recommendations are:

1. Please keep your articles brief and to the point.
2. Turn your articles in on time or space will run out.
3. If you have a full page ad for an event, it will be posted on the web, vice *Arabian*.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

John McLeod, Director of Publications and Web

SPORTSMEN

By: Rudy Staudt, Treasurer

By the time you receive this issue of the Arabian, our Annual Sporting Clay Tournament will be history. Mike Enmon and James VanMeter, along with several of our members worked hard to make it a success. In case you didn't know, this is a Hospital Benefit. We will be giving a check at the November Stated meeting.

To start our last Sportsmen unit meeting we had dinner at Cheddars Restaurant. We then went back to the Shrine Center and opened the meeting at 7:00 PM. First on the agenda was the introduction of our newest member, Trey Fleming. We then had a sickness report from James Vanmeter, who informed us that his dad and mother-in-law are both critically ill.

Next we were told that the new meeting rooms are nearing completion. A discussion was held about how we will furnish and decorate our room. At our next meeting we hope to have a cabinet maker present to give us some ideas on a buildout of our new home. A wet bar and cabinets are some of the items up for discussion.

A motion was made by Sherman Markowitz and passed that the unit donate \$500 to purchase a liquor basket to be raffled at the Wild Well Golf Tournament held in October. This event, held in October is a yearly Hospital Benefit. Their plan this year is to raise over \$200,000 to help our kids.

We have held several unit outings since my last report. In September we went on a fishing trip with Galveston's El Mina Sportsmen Unit. This trip was put together by Joe Kent on the Cavalier Fishing Boat to the Jetties. Around twenty-five members and guests had a great day of fishing and fellowship. Our Chief Rabban, John McDonald, caught the first and largest Redfish. The 28# fish won him the pot of over \$200. The fishing trip was followed by lunch at a local restaurant. Our plan is to make this an annual event. Next, Jimmy Silvers lined us up with a guide for a dove hunt in the South Zone. There were plenty of birds between the rain showers. Over 30 hunters attended this event. In October several of our members joined Sherman Markowitz on a trip to Lake Calcasieu in Louisiana. If that trip turned out to be as productive as in the past, I should have a great report in the next Arabian.

Final plans have been made for our Christmas party. This year we have combined with the Motor Corps and Arabian Knights to hold our party at the newly remodeled Shrine Ball Room. The date is December 18th. The meal will be catered and there will be live music for your dancing pleasure and an open bar. If you are a member of one of the above mentioned units, please RSVP if you plan to attend.

Our unit meets on the second Tuesday of each month at the Shrine Center. The meetings start at 7:00 PM. Any Shriner that enjoys hunting or fishing should consider joining our unit.





IN MEMORY



Claude Blatherwick
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 Marvin E. Chernosky
 Benjamin D. Davison
 Davis Gindler
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**WIDOWS' CLUB
 MEETING**
 2nd Wednesday
 10:00 AM
 Arabia Shrine Center

WE CARE CORNER
 John Bentley
 713-634-0237



COLONEL'S CORNER

By: Paul Weber



Tomball 45th Annual Holiday Parade
 Saturday, November 20th at 10:00 AM

Lunch after parade at Mike and Ellen Mantle's home
 Please RSVP to Jean Shaw 713-664-3437 by Monday, November 15th

More details are provided on the web site

HEB Thanksgiving Day Parade (optional)
 Thursday, November 25th

NASA AREA SHRINE CLUB

By: Norman Miller

Monthly meetings are at 6:30 PM, Bay Oaks Country Club, located at 14545 Bay Oaks Blvd. The cost of our dinners is \$15.00 in a private meeting room. Reservations for a count are appreciated. Please call Norm/Janell at 281-335-1127. The meals and service at Bay Oaks has been splendid!

We want to welcome back Noble Tom Snedecor to NASC. Tom served as President in 1986 and again in 2003. He was Treasurer of NASC for many years.

NASC was pleased to welcome two new members at our September meeting. Noble Albert J. Torrains and Lady Alev who reside in Pasadena and Noble Matthew C. Bell and Lady Diane who live in Friendswood. We look forward to many years of work and play with you folks.

October 8 and 9 were Hospital Benefit Days. NASA Nobles collected at the two IHOPs in our area, NASA Rd. 1 in Webster and Hwy 146 in Kemah. Ed White scheduled the Nobles to assist with a good Noble turnout at both IHOPs, a job well done. Noble Paul Green presented NASA with a new banner, used at the two IHOP's Benefit.



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New NASA Banner

Our thanks to Noble Mitchell Wang, owner of these IHOPs for his continued support of our NASA Area Shrine Club working for our Galveston-Houston Hospitals.

The First Lady's Luncheon was October 30th. Lady Janell Miller sent out invitations to all of our ladies.

Thank you to those NASC ladies who helped send out 60 Walmart/Sam's grant applications. The money from these grants is given to the hospitals.

IHOP State Wide Bowl-A-Thon Event benefiting Shriners Hospitals for Children was held on September 16th, at Main Event in Webster. Our Thanks to IHOP for this event, over and above our annual Pancake Day Benefit. I hope we will have the money report by our meeting.

LUNCHEON CLUB

By: Doyle Kelly

Now that the long hot summer is gone, we are looking forward to some pleasant weather and the opportunity to enjoy some good food and fellowship each Tuesday. Our food has been excellent, however, we will be changing caterer (Teresa Cole) beginning in November. Why not come visit us, check out the new caterer's food and enjoy some Shrine fellowship as well as some good entertainment. We do have entertainment at some of our meetings. Please call Ron Crabb at 713-774-9557 for reservations. We can usually accept one or two at each meeting without reservations.

Evans Beasley passed away March 10, 2010. A donation was made to the Shrine Hospital in his memory. We express our prayers and sympathy to his family and friends.

New members: Ken Aldridge, P.P., David Freeman, III, and J. R. Swindell, Jr.



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.

**Jim Spalding, High Priest & Prophet
2010 Benefit Chairman**

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

The following is a list of DONORS:

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Candidate

Lady

Top Signer

September 20, 2010

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September 27, 2010

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October 9, 2010

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Emily

Tresa
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PATROL

By: Norm Bates

It's November - Thanksgiving time for family and friends. Time to be thankful! Enjoy your Holiday!!!

The Patrol September Stated Meeting was held on Sept. 27th in the Gold Room of the Shrine center. It was a fun evening with refreshments and a great dinner. Our attendance was super and all had pleasant time reviewing our summer's happenings and talking about our future events!

The Patrol made a showing at the Ft. Bend County Fair Parade on the 24th - what a great parade. We have never seen so many happy parade spectators!!!! It is the "kickoff" day of the Ft. Bend County Fair and everyone comes out to see the parade and go to the fair. They are appreciative of our Shrine participation and are looking forward to the Shrine Circus coming to town!!!

The October Patrol meeting was held on Monday evening the 25th - once again a delightful evening with refreshments, good food and fellowship. Sorry if you missed it!!!!

The First Lady's Luncheon held on the 30th, honoring First Lady Phyllis Ellis, was well attended by the Patrol Ladies, great food and entertainment made for a very pleasant day.

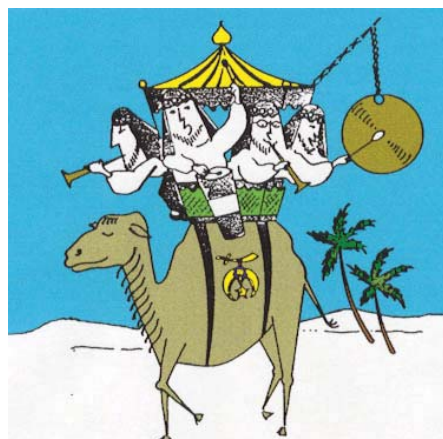
ORIENTAL BAND

By: John Barron, Secretary

Fall and early winter has to be some of the best weather time in Houston and the Gulf Coast. Temperatures are pleasant and for once you can spend an evening or two enjoying cooler temps and lower humidity especially at night by opening your windows. It is time to open your windows for change beginning with election times and enjoying your right to vote. With local and national elections around the country allowing to retain or remove those who have not answered your needs. The other change you should look at is right here at home in your lodge and shrine. The change I am talking about is membership and only you can affect that change. We have all heard the objections to joining this or that but we can overcome those and find new friends, new brothers and greater success. The call for membership is not new nor does it ever cease. All of us need to create an atmosphere that invites change and allows you and me to show the world the light of being a Shrine Mason. Enjoy being a part of change; find a new Shriner and newa Mason.

Hopefully by the time this article reaches print each of our clubs and units will be closer to occupying our new rooms. The construction debris will be swept away and the sounds of members will fill the Temple as we work to build out our rooms. It has been a long process without doubt but the pleasure of greeting a prospect to the oasis we create will erase many strains. Let us also use this time to remember our past and at Thanksgiving take time to give thanks for those who served us here and abroad both in service to the Shrine and most importantly those who serve our country where ever they may be deployed.

While the 2011 circus kickoff had to be delayed to allow for competition it hasn't stopped the work of preparation. Noble Bob Sharp and Lady Linda along with all the various committees are hard at bringing together the tools to make this a successful year. Call the office if you don't have a circus pack or get busy selling Mom's and Dad's, ads or whatever area you can best serve. After all without circus you might not be reading this as what we Nobles and Lady's do allows us to continue keeping the lights on.



The Arabia Shrine Oriental Band has been a part of Arabia's history since 1950 and as we celebrate we are in need of growth. Come visit us in our new room, at a practice or join us at a meeting. See what makes a member smile whether it is from helping children, competing at TSA or parades or simply being a part of organized confusion!

November 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<i>1</i> 2:00 PM - 9:00 PM LOS GRAND HIGH/BLUR/MLR/GR 6:30 PM DTS/ GRE RM	<i>2</i> 11:30 AM LUN/GR 6:00 PM LOS/ TAP PRACTICE/LR 7:00 PM FTB 7:00 PM LOS/GR 7:00 PM SAM	<i>3</i> 10:00 AM DON/LR	<i>4</i> 6:30 PM GRE/GR 6:30 PM SOE 7:00 PM AHR 7:00 PM WAL MEMORIAL LODGE/LR	<i>5</i> 7:00 PM SOLIDARITY LODGE/LR	<i>6</i> 7:00 AM FEZ/ PANCAKE BRKFST 9:00 AM CALENDAR MTG
<i>7</i> 2:00 PM ART/GR 5:00 PM BOW/ ARMDILLA I	<i>8</i> 6:00 PM PRO/GR	<i>9</i> 8:00 AM J W CHANDLER/LR 11:30 AM LUN/GR 6:00 PM LOS/ TAP PRACTICE/LR 6:30 PM MARK 6:30 PM LOH/GR	<i>10</i> 10:00 AM WIDOWS/GRN ROOM	<i>11</i> 6:30 PM MOC/ BLURM 6:30 PM ORB/GR 6:30 PM SAJ MEMORIAL LODGE/LR	<i>12</i> 9:00 AM LOH/ DECORATE 7:00 PM SOLIDARITY LODGE/LR	<i>13</i> 8:00 PM LOH MIL BALL GOLF PLAYDAY
<i>14</i> 5:00 PM BOW/ ARMDILLA I	<i>15</i> 6:00 PM FOOD/7:00 PM TEMPLE STATED MTG RSVP	<i>16</i> 11:30 AM LUN/GR 6:00 PM LOS/ TAP PRACTICE/LR 6:30 PM FEZ/ GRNRM 6:30 PM GUL 7:30 PM CLJ/GR	<i>17</i> 6:30 PM 1ST CIRCUS REPORT MTG/GR/ RSVP	<i>18</i> 6:30 PM LAH 6:30 PM LUF 6:30 PM NAS 6:30 PM TOM MEMORIAL LODGE/LR	<i>19</i> 6:00 PM DRC 7:00 PM SOLIDARITY LODGE/LR	<i>20</i> 8:00 AM LINEUP TOM-BALL PARADE/ OFFICIAL/ RSVP
<i>21</i> 5:00 PM BOW/ ARMDILLA I	<i>22</i> 6:00 PM BAT 6:30 PM PAT/GR	<i>23</i> 11:30 AM LUN/GR 6:00 PM LOS/ TAP PRACTICE/LR 6:30 PM BOW 6:30 PM MGC	<i>24</i> 6:30 PM BRA 6:30 PM BRE	<i>25</i> 7AM LINEUP HEB THANKS-GIVING DAY PARADE	<i>26</i>	<i>27</i>
<i>28</i> 5:00 PM BOW/ ARMDILLA I DECORATE CHRISTMAS TREES	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i> 11:30 AM LUN/GR 6:00 PM LOS/ TAP PRACTICE/LR				

December 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 10:00 AM DON/LR	2 6:30 PMSOE 7:00 PMAHR 7:00 PMWAL MEMORIAL LODGE/LR	3 7:00 PMSOLI- DARITY LODGE/LR <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-top: 5px;"> 5:00 PM LINEUP/BAT CHRISTMAS PARADE/ OFFICIAL </div>	4 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> SAM HUNTSVILLE NIGHT PARADE </div>
GRAND LODGE - WACO						
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26 TAKE DOWN XMAS TREES		28 11:30 AM LUN/GR 6:00 PMLOS/ TAP PRACTICE/LR 6:30 PMMGC			31 BAT NEW YEARS PARTY	

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43rd Annual Military Ball

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7:00 - 7:45 PM

Dance

8:00 - 11:30 PM



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