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Santa's coming...to the Circus!

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Potentate's Column

Holidays are a special time of year.



Philip H. Trew, Jr.
Potentate

Nobles and ladies of Moslah:
Well, we've made it to December and the holidays. What a joyous time of year. As this edition of the Moslah News comes to you, we're right in the middle of our biggest Temple

fundraiser every year, the Shrine Circus. Congratulations to Circus Chairman Jeff Barcafar, Vice-Chairman Fulton Abadie and all others who have worked so hard to make this year's circus a rousing success. Also, thanks to all Nobles and ladies who take their time to show up and work... it is most appreciated. It looks like our new format (4 days of circus, at the Convention Center) is working well for us.

Congratulations are also in order to Assistant Rabban Moe Rahmeh and Chad Rees for planning and executing the first toy drive and car show, which was held at the Temple on November 18. We had approximately 40 cars, despite some challenging wind conditions. The net proceeds of this

show went to our Shrine Hospitals, as well as all the toys we collected. What a perfect time of year to have this event.

Our December business meeting on December 14 will also have a ladies program, as well as a presentation about our hospitals from one of the donor development representatives during dinner. Don't miss it, as it will be one of our more informative (and fun) meetings of the year.

The holidays are a special time of year, and what a great time to share with family and friends. While the parties and events can be fun, please remember that this is a cherished time for other reasons. I hope each of you will be vigilant in your spirit of giving this year. Also, there are many families who have lost loved ones during the holidays, so please keep them in your thoughts. Please have a heart filled with gratitude for all the blessings that have been bestowed on each of you, and share with those less fortunate.

I look forward to writing to you in January 2018, as we ring in a New Year.

Yours in the faith, Phil Trew, Potentate



Dickie T. Edwards

In Memoriam

John E. Foust, Jr.
W. Bert Hammack

Tommy D. O'Keefe
Perry D. Sanders

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Save THE Date

Potentate's Ball

February 17, 2018

Fort Worth Club

More information to follow

Happy Thanksgiving

Dear Fellow Nobles,

As we prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving in the US, we want to express our gratitude for everyone who is part of our extended, international family. We appreciate each of you – our families, fellow nobles and their families, staff members, volunteers, donors and participants in our signature events. You are the reason we are able to improve the lives of children and families around the globe.

While this single day is set aside as our nation's official, annual day of Thanksgiving, being grateful and appreciative is an attitude appropriate for every day. We have so much to be thankful for.

Every day, for more than 140 years, our fraternity has offered us brotherhood, friendship, camaraderie and opportunities to serve others. The work of our fraternity is both worthy and wonderful, and helps make the world a better, kinder and happier place.

And, every day, for 95 years, our philanthropy, Shriners Hospitals for Children® has provided hope, healing, compassion and quality care to children. We want to thank the staff of our 22 health care locations and headquarters, and all of our volunteers for their dedication and commitment to our mission. Working together, the difference we make in the lives of children and families is truly stunning. In addition to improving their physical conditions, we help those in our care discover that, no matter what challenges and difficulties they may face, anything is possible. They can paint pictures, even if they have no hands; they can run, even without legs. They can participate, have opportunities and full lives. Put simply, we give the children hope, and some say that hope is everything.

We owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to the fraternity's leaders and members who established our philanthropy for their vision. Their dream has become recognized worldwide as a leader in pediatric specialty care, research and medical research.

We can all be proud of the accomplishments and reputations of both Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children, and we thank you for all you continue to do to strengthen and improve our organizations.

We wish you a wonderful holiday, and encourage you to hold on to the attitude of thanksgiving, and continue to remain dedicated and committed to your global family, fraternity and philanthropy.

Yours in the faith,



Gary J. Bergenske
Imperial Potentate
Shriners International



Jerry G. Gantt
Chairman, Board of Trustees
Shriners Hospitals for Children



**Illustrious Sir Phil Trew and the 2017 Divan
Cordially Invites You to Our**

Moslah Christmas Party

*Saturday, December 16
6:30 pm to 10:30 pm*

**At The Temple
1100 Henderson
Fort Worth, TX**

***Dinner & Dancing the Night Away
With
Diva G & High Maintenance Band***

**Cost: \$20/person
Attire: Formal Wear or Dark Suit**

**Reserve Your Spot by Dec 11
817/335-9469 or
moslah@moslahshrine.org**



Jingle Jingle
Let's Mingle

**Please join us for the
December Ladies Meeting
Thursday Dec. 14th, 2017 at 6:45pm**

**Dana Young from Le Fashion Coach Boutique will show us some great
ideas on how to transform from Day to Evening with accessories for our
Holiday outings.**

**Also, the Divan ladies will share some wonderful seasonal ideas for
appetizers, specialty drinks and last minute gift ideas.**

Come join the fun!!

Please RSVP to Dee Rahmeh @ Deerahmeh@yahoo.com

Or 817-925-2625

Diana Barcafar at dbarcafar@apcosigns.com

Or 817-832-5377





MOSLAH December Birthdays

12/1	William K Lewis	12/7	Charles M Hawkins	12/11	Randy E McGee
12/1	David G Cleveland	12/7	David R Dodgen	12/12	Charles T Davis
12/2	Richard D Marshall	12/8	Junior C Miles	12/12	Charles E Humphries
12/2	Robert R Green	12/8	Darvin A Breaker Jr	12/12	Paul E Sawyer
12/2	Shih-Ho Chao	12/8	Ronald L Lange	12/12	Arnold G Smith
12/3	Tommy E Maley Sr	12/8	Charles Edward Fox Jr	12/12	Malcom B Wetsel
12/3	Artie A Vaughan	12/8	Robert D Stringer	12/12	David C Crowley
12/3	Harold Schmerber	12/8	Richard E Butzke	12/12	John Michael Bell
12/3	Wesley W Neeley Sr	12/8	Steven H Blair	12/12	George R Von Wahlde
12/3	Gary P Whitfield	12/8	Brian D Thompson	12/12	Scott R Ewell
12/3	Lynn W Gibbins	12/8	Richard A Weigart Jr	12/13	Charles D Sturdivant
12/3	Robert D Shelton	12/9	Patrick Roux	12/13	James E Cox
12/4	Donald R Swank	12/9	James E Hirth	12/13	Jack C von der Heide
12/4	Brian S Wilson	12/9	Ryan C Morris	12/13	George C Eierdam
12/5	William R Rogers	12/9	Bryan K Miller	12/13	Charles H Young
12/5	Tandy C Walker	12/10	Lloyd C Mills	12/13	James C Zeig
12/5	Billy Paul Wright	12/10	Frank M Wadkins	12/13	David G Palmer
12/5	Earnest E Alford	12/10	Bobby J Beesley	12/13	David Royce
12/5	Phillip E Martin	12/10	Richard P Hanks	12/14	L G (Jerry) Leake
12/5	Bob R Curtis	12/10	David E Houston	12/14	Gary D Anderson
12/5	Jeffrey M Geyer	12/11	Neil L Seefeldt Sr	12/14	Allen C Miller
12/6	C Angus Wright	12/11	Bobby E Potts	12/14	Jeffrey P King
12/6	Levent M Bayraktaroglu	12/11	Connie H Tubbs	12/14	James E King
12/6	Gary W Wells	12/11	Virgil D Weed	12/15	William E Robinson Jr
12/6	Michael R Pool	12/11	Mark C Stewart	12/15	Albert L Hook

12/15	Ray M Lewis	12/22	John S Keyes	12/27	Gerald F Ledbetter
12/15	Oscar C Andrews Jr	12/22	Kendell W Robinson	12/28	David E Winingham
12/15	Charlie E O'Bannon	12/23	James G Chatmas	12/28	William E Rushing
12/15	Roger J Simon	12/23	Raymond L Lum	12/28	William N Parkey
12/15	Gary W Hittson	12/23	Bobby L Sparks	12/28	Grady Hunter Evans
12/15	James L Wright	12/23	Laurence J Maloney	12/28	Sidney R McCampbell
12/16	Eusebio A Herrera	12/23	Gary E Reynolds	12/28	M Scott Siegmund
12/16	Steven C Huggins	12/23	Donald W Weatherby	12/29	V George Runnion Jr
12/16	Jason R Hathaway	12/24	Charles B Mecaskey	12/29	Albert Deleon
12/17	Kenneth H Peters	12/24	Ralph C Payne Jr	12/29	Richard M Smith
12/17	Robert R Rice	12/24	John R Thompson Jr	12/29	James Christopher Zeig
12/17	C Raymond Smith	12/24	Harrison W Perry	12/29	Jarrold D Plumlee
12/17	John H Payne	12/24	H D Clark III	12/30	Glendon Walker
12/17	Kenneth C Curry	12/24	George H Bray	12/30	Roy J Eaton
12/17	Matthew M Seher	12/24	Gordon D Culwell	12/30	K George White
12/18	Harold F Massey	12/24	Scott A Williams	12/30	Glen R Grindley
12/18	Eddie D Huey	12/25	Norman T Poer	12/30	Paul R Ducote
12/18	Ronald A Muldoon	12/25	Scott E Hood	12/30	Larry D Carpenter
12/18	Dan P Winn	12/26	John H Archer Jr	12/30	William B Peterson
12/18	James F Rodgers Jr	12/26	Carl E Dinkel	12/31	John D White
12/18	James F Duvall III	12/26	Roger C Martin	12/31	Billie B Turner
12/19	John D Townsend	12/26	William G Rickett	12/31	Benjamin M Hamrick
12/19	Ronald M Poggemeyer	12/26	David H Sebastian	12/31	David H Day
12/19	Perry Hassell	12/26	William M Ozee	12/31	Bradley R Bates
12/19	Richard J Frank	12/26	Michael A Handley	12/31	Patrick D Bobbitt
12/20	Robert R Ferrell	12/26	Gary S Mayben	12/31	Louis W Bataka
12/21	Hubert L Green	12/26	Richard R Jernigan	12/31	Richard P Baker
12/21	C Roger Mayes	12/27	Samuel M Harrington	12/31	Michael R Garen Sr
12/21	William G Byrns	12/27	Billy H Drotts	12/31	Curt A Shannon
12/21	Kraig F Willumsen	12/27	Ludwig F Rattelmeier	12/31	J Clayton Reynolds
12/21	Delvin L Young	12/27	Kenneth E Daugherty		
12/21	Christopher L Hood	12/27	George T Lutes		

2018 activities on the Temple calendar

Start marking your calendars!

january:

- 11th - Temple Business meeting, election and installation
- 20th - East-West Shrine Game
- 24th - Imperial Sir C. Victor Thornton Award
- 31st - Council of Uniformed Units

february:

- 8th - 10th - TSA Divan Mid-Winter, Corpus Christi
- 13th & 14th - Flower delivery
- 17th - Potentate's Ball
- 23rd - Bingo

march:

- 8th - Temple Business Meeting
- 25th - Easter Egg Hunt
- 27th - IHOP

april:

- 7th - Moslah Party
- 12th - Temple Wine Tasting
- 13th & 14th - HFD storefront and streets

may:

- 4th - Bingo
- 10th - Temple Business Meeting
- 11th & 12th - Flower delivery
- 20th - Memorial Service

june

- 7th - 9th - TSA, Tyler
- 14th - Temple Games Night



july:

- 15th - 19th Imperial Session

august:

- 4th - Sportsman Spectacular
- 18th - Corn Hole Tournament
- 26th & 27th - Casino Trip

september:

- 13th - Temple Business Meeting
- 28th - Bingo & Ice Cream

october:

- 6th - Ceremonial
- 11th - Temple Open Meeting
- 13th - HFD Fall Streets

november:

- 8th - 11th - Moslah Shrine Circus

december:

- 8th - Temple Business Meeting
- 15th - Temple Christmas Party

Cat Show



Car-Vettes



Howdy Nobles. Another year is almost behind us and this would be a good time to take a couple of minutes to reflect on the friends and loved ones that we may have lost during this year. They are not very far away, their spirit remains with you forever in your heart. Don't feel so sad, cherish the times you had together.

December got its name from the Latin word *decem* (ten) because it was originally the tenth month of the year in the Roman Calendar, which began in March. Several winter days that followed December were not included as part of any month. Later, the months of January and February were created out of the monthless days and they were added to the beginning of the calendar, but December retained its original name. December has many special national days, including a few such as: Pearl Harbor Day – 7th, Ice Cream Day – 13th, Monkey Day – 14th, Hamburger Day – 21st and of course Christmas Day - the 25th! We Car-vettes hope that each one of you has a very, very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year with your loved ones!

Lemme see now. For this month we have the Circus on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd (please help if you're asked), Car-Vettes are helping run the Ticket Office. Temple Business Meeting on the 14th with our Ladies and the Blood Mobile. Temple Christmas party on the 16th.

Your Car-vettes usually have our monthly unit meetings on the second Monday of each month @ 7PM at the Temple. We invite any interested Shriners to attend if they desire. Our meetings just really aren't that secret and we would love the company.

We Car-vette members were talking about the enjoyment we had at a couple of the parades we participated in. The Arlington Heroes Veteran's Day Parade, Fort Worth Parade of Lights as well as the Parade of Lights in Mineral Wells went very smoothly and Decatur is scheduled for the 2nd of December. The folks showed up in numbers and really were in the spirit of the holidays. They gave us smiles, laughs, hand shakes, excited yells; they pointed, waved, gave fist bumps and took pictures. As a result, they made each of us feel good as ambassadors of Moslah Shrine. Yep, it was what we older folks used to call a warm, fuzzy feeling. It lets us know that they were glad to see the Shrine fez in the parades. I'm sure that they know who we are and that we exist to take care of their kids.

Oh yeah... have you ever forwarded the Moslah News on to a non-Shriner friend of yours so that he and his significant other can read it also? Yeah, I reckon that Moslah can always use some new active members!

Betcha didn't know...

- Tyler Texas was named after President John Tyler who brought Texas into the United States, and in 1846, the state legislature named the town after him. Texas was separated from the Republic of Mexico in 1836 and was the Republic of Texas for 9 years, until becoming

the 28th state of the United States on 29 December, 1845.

- In reality, the official and accepted name for a large gathering of baboons is called a congress of baboons. (Now... that really explains something, doesn't it?)
- The first official meeting of Shriners was held September 26, 1872. On that day, in the New York City Masonic Hall, the first Shrine Temple in the United States was organized. Brother McClenachan and Dr. Fleming had completed the ritual and proposed that the first Temple be named Mecca. The original 13 Masons of the Knickerbocker Cottage lunch group were named Charter Members of Mecca Temple (Mecca Shriners). The purpose was for an organization in which fun and fellowship would be stressed more than ritual.

Nobles... if you are looking to join a unit that will give you a BIG return on camaraderie and enjoyment, look no further, the Car-Vettes is the one for YOU! Yep, you too can wear one of our bright yellow unit shirts and maybe drive one of the cool looking little yellow cars (it's a grown up go-cart for grown ups). Just join our unit and help us with our activities. We offer a positive, friendly and fun family environment to enrich your Shrine experience. If any Noble would like some information or to test drive one of our classy looking yellow cars, all you have to do is let us know. Don't be bashful, you can contact President R. J. Forester at 817-235-4444, Colonel Cecil LeMond at 817-247-0246, or really, any of our members. We are a VERY proud bunch of fellas and will be happy to talk to you about our specialized unit.

– Chuck Huddleston, Car-Vettes



Mystic Wheels

Merry Christmas Moslah Nobles and Ladies!

What a great time the Mystic Wheels had with "Friendsgiving" dinner at Bill and Emily Jones's home. A very large crowd of Nobles and Ladies attended and enjoyed an excellent dinner of turkey, ham, and all the sides. Thanks to all who helped, thanks to Bill and Emily for sharing their home!

Not sure when this article will publish but the circus is here. Mystic Wheels will be handling the elephant and pony rides again this year. This is a concentrated four day event that is a ton of fun. If you are a noble with no unit assignment give us a call. We'll put you to work and you'll have a ball. Numbers below.



We invite all Moslah nobles to Visit / Like our Facebook Page for even more details of events and pictures/videos of our drill teams.

Moslah Noble, are you and your Lady looking for a unit home? Looking to join a great group of Masonic brothers, make lasting friendships, be part of a winning team? Would you like to experience that thrill of competition again, have more fun than you can imagine? The Mystic Wheels can provide all that.

We are a family oriented group with the ladies and kids (and now grandkids) at all our events! We ride inexpensive, traditional, open wheel go karts that are super fun to drive. In addition, we are active in all temple and blue lodge activities.

Call Bob Roth 703 509-7773, Sonny Francks 214 205-0295 or Brett Wiesner 817 360-7585, for information and a visit. Ask about our money back guarantee... Still the LARGEST and friendliest motorized unit in Texas!

— Brett Wiesner

Update your information

Nobles All,

Keeping your Moslah Shrine membership data current is important.

It is now very easy and fast to check and update. Simply go to webfez.shrinenet.org/home/dashboard. Click on Log In if you are already registered, or click Register and give your email address as your code and make up a password. Then click on My Record.

Now you can search your information and update anything that you might need to change. It's a good idea to do this at least twice a year to keep your records accurate.

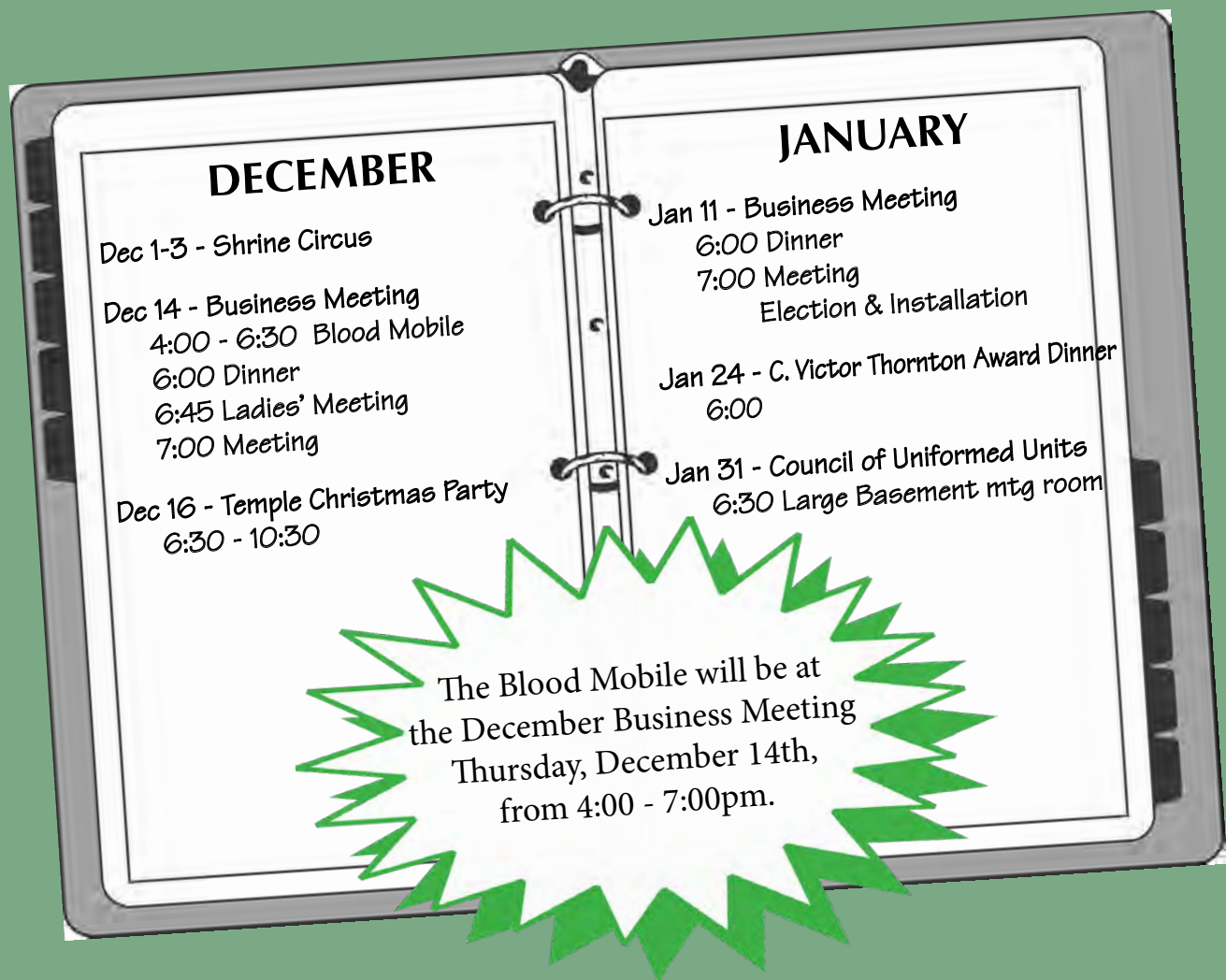
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John Henderson, Business Manager**



Parade of Lights



*Merry
Christmas
to all!*



If you know a Noble or Lady
who is sick or shut-in, please
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