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Danny Crowder	
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Gaylin E. Kinsey	
Jimmy Haines	
Joel Lemley	2022
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# **Potentate Message**

Dear Nobility and Ladies of Suez,

I hope everyone is doing well. At the end of September, we finished up four of our fundraisers for the year. I would like to thank everyone who sold tickets for the Side of Beef and the Sportsman's Give Away raffles. I would also like to Thank all of those who came out to the Suez Gun and Knife Show and helped. It is because of your willingness to volunteer your time that makes these fundraisers successful.

We had an Outstanding Golf Tournament this year. We had 36 people sign up, which made 18 teams. Alyassa Jones a Hospital Ambassador came to support Suez and raised money to help her go to the Shriners Open in Vagas. Thank you to everyone who came out and helped with the Tournament.

We have new nobles this year and are excited to say that a Fall Ceremonial is in the works! It will be held on October 21<sup>st</sup> at Suez. The October Stated Meeting will be held the morning of the Ceremonial. Look for more information regarding the ceremonial and the stated meeting in this issue of the Scribblings.

We will have the FEZ-tival of Trees at the end of November that we will need help with, so please come and be a part of it! The November Stated Meeting will be Saturday November 11, 2023. There will be a Veteran's Day Parade in San Angelo, I hope all Nobles will come be a part of. There is more information in this issue of the Scribblings.

Overall, I am pleased about the way the year is going and am looking forward to finishing the rest of my time as Potentate with as much fun and fellowship as possible!

YITF,

Sheldon Claborn Potentate 2023





### **Oriental Guide**

Dear Nobles Lady's and family,

Let this message find everyone doing well. What a fun and eventful year Suez has had with successful fund raisers and there is still more to come.

It has been an honor to serve as Oriental Guide for Illustrious Sir Sheldon Claborn. Thank you, Illustrious Sir, for your guidance and support. My first year on the Divan has been a learning and fun-filled experience. For the incoming Oriental Guide and his Lady, I recommend that you participate in all shrine activities that are offered.

Many new friends will be made, and you will have the time of your life. I am looking forward to the next four years and what they will bring. I will be running for High Priest and Prophet in 2024. Thanks to my Lady Trysh for supporting me as a Suez Officer. I also like to Thank all the Nobles and Ladies that supported Me and my family and our Temple.

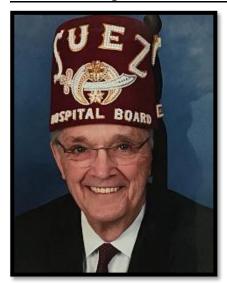
October 21<sup>st</sup> is our Fall Ceremonial and I encourage all new Nobles to attend. It will be fun to see everyone. We will be hosting the Fez-Tival of Trees on November 18<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> again this year and I invite all our Suez family to come and be a part of the fez-tivties. There will be something for all to enjoy. For the children there will be Breakfast with Santa on Saturday November 25<sup>th</sup> from 8am to 11am.

Thank you for an Awesome Year and I can't wait to see what the next one brings.

Yours in Faith, Edward J Garcia Oriental Guide 2023



The Star in Frisco Texas February 1, 2024



Robert J. Rogers, Jr Treasurer Texas Hospital Board of Governors

### **News from Shriners Children's Texas**

### Amazon Wish List

Help support our patients by purchasing much needed items from our Amazon wish list! This list has been specifically created by our departments and contains items that are currently in high demand for our patients and their families. To access the list, go here:

Amazon.com → Accounts & Lists (located on the top right-hand side) → Find a List → Enter Shriners Children's Texas & the click on Gift List

### **Construction Updates:**

The parent housing groundwork has been completed and inspected. Grade beams are currently being installed for foundation reinforcement. The foundation pour is scheduled for 9/28/23. The structural framework is scheduled to begin 9/29/23 with completion on 1/8/24. The building exterior envelope will begin on 1/20/24 with completion on 3/13/24. The building interior build-out begins on 11/28/23 with a completion date of 6/19/24.

The parking garage column pours are completed. The north and south garage walls are currently being formed and poured for level one. The four-level parking garage is scheduled to be completed on 6/11/24.







### Awards & Recognition

Shriners Children's Texas was recognized as "Non-Profit of the Year" by the Galveston Regional Chamber of Commerce at their 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Women's Conference – September 15, 2023.

#### Did You Know?

The 2023 "Watch Me" patient acquisition campaign launched in the Houston market in January 2023 and will run for 12 consecutive months throughout 2023. The San Antonio ads launched in June 2023.

### **Patient of the Month:**

William "Shayne" Henry is a 13-year-old male with asymmetric spastic diplegic cerebral palsy. He and his family live in New Mexico. He has been treated at the Shriners Hospital for Children for many years on our campuses at Galveston, Houston and at outreach clinic opportunities. His most recent surgical intervention was with Dr. McKie in July 2023. As Shayne has grown, all surgical intervention has been done to continue to improve his walking pattern. Currently, Shayne is working with our rehabilitation team on an intensive outpatient physical therapy program now that he has completed the first stage of healing from surgery. He works hard and pushes through challenges. Shayne and his family continue to be committed to the care provided at Shriners Children's because they know they have partners in us. We applaud their dedication.

# Suez Shrine Gun & Knife Show













Thank You Carl and Tammy Shanks for putting together a Spectacular Show for Suez.

Thank You to everyone who came out and Helped with the Gun & Knife Show August 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>. We couldn't have done it without your support.



# Suez Shrine Fall Ceremonial

Saturday October 21, 2023

# Suez Shrine Temple 2915 Loop 306 San Angelo Tx 76904



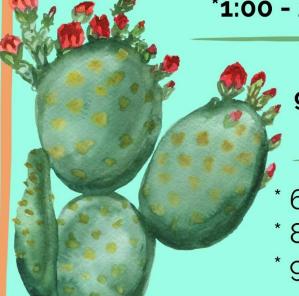
\$100 per couple / \$50 single price includes meals for Nobles & Ladies (You will pay at the Temple)

\* 10:00 - 10:30AM / STATED MEETING

\* 10:00 - 11:00 / Ladies Social

\* 11:00 - 12:30 / Lunch

\*1:00 - 2:00pm / First Section - Mosque



2:30pm - 5:00pm / There will be Unique games for the New Novices & their Ladies to play to compete for the Ring!

\* 6:00pm - Dinner

\* 8:00 - 11:00 pm Dance / Hospitality

\* 9:00 pm Ring Winner Announcement

# Texas Shrine Association

Will be held in San Angelo in 2024

# Suez Chief Rabban & TSA President Kim Williamson is asking all Nobles and Ladies for their Help - Volunteer!

This is the First Time TSA has been held "in"
San Angelo and We need to Make Suez &
San Angelo Shine
Every Shrine Club, Every Unit, Every Noble &

Every Shrine Club, Every Unit, Every Noble & Every Lady Can HELP!

**VOLUNTEER \* VOLUNTEER \* VOLUNTEER** 



TSA Mid-Winter February 8-10, 2024

TSA Ceremonial June 6-8, 2024

Call Kim TODAY and get your name on the list to Volunteer

# Suez Shrine 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Golf Tournament















Thank you to everyone who came out to help with our Golf Tournament. It was a Spectacular time, with beautiful weather and some fantastic players.

Hospital Ambassador Alyssa Jones came out to support Suez and raise money to help her go to the Shriners Open in Vagas this month.

We had Nobles from Karem, and Alzafar come to participate.
Thank you for traveling to support Suez.

Congratulations to the winner of the in-house Shrine Club Challenge "Traveling Trophy", Toby Littlefield & Thomas Franklin from Midland Shrine Club, ya'll played an Awesome game.

Thank you again for all the support from Our Temple and All Our Sponsors.

# **August Stated Meeting**



HP&P Steven Shepard , Recorder James Caillouet, OG Edward Garcia, Potentate Sheldon Claborn, AR Josh Scott, CR Kim Williamson receiving a donation check from Carl & Tammy Shanks for the Patient Transportation Fund.









Carl and Tammy Shanks





**Prophet Steven Shepard** 

# September Stated Meeting













Chief Rabban Kim Williamson Lady Julie, P.P Jimmy Sharps Lady Teenie & P.P Tim Dillons Lady Nancy







### Have You Heard the News???

### October 2023 Stated Meeting Has Been Changed

- Suez October Stated Meeting will be Saturday October 21, 2023
- The Stated Meeting will be at 10:00am
- Meal / 11:00am 12:00 pm
- See Fall Ceremonial Flyer in this Scribblings for Information

### November 2023 Stated meeting Has been Changed

- Suez November Stated Meeting will be Saturday November 11, 2023
- Veterans Day Parade @ 11:00 am San Angelo (All Nobles Welcome)
- Meal @ 1:00 pm (after Parade)
- Stated Meeting @ 2:00pm
- Helping get Temple set up for Fez-Tival of Trees (Everyone Welcome)

Paint Rock Lodge #613 is Having a Predator Hunt Drawing \$20.00 per Ticket or 6 for \$100.00 / Drawing January 4, 2024 Need Tickets Please Contact:

James Caillouet – Bob Rogers – Don Bunnell – Ricky Donaldson

# Paint Rock Lodge #613

Rocker b Ranch

### PREDATOR HUNT WITH GUIDE

- · 2 day/3 night hunt
- Lodging & Meals Included

HUNT DATES:

Arrive 01/26/24 · Hunt: 01/27/24 · 01/28/24 · Depart: 01/29/24

\$20.00 per Ticket or 6 for \$100.00.
ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT PAINT ROCK LODGE #613, PAINT ROCK TEXAS

Two Hunters

# Suez Shriner's Fez-Tival of Trees

Suez Shrine Center - 2915 Loop 306 / San Angelo Texas 76904

November 18th - 25th 2023

Fully Decorated Christmas Trees with Gifts to be Raffled Off

L Proceeds Benfit the Suez Shriners Payments are NOT

eductible as Charitable Contributions

Raffle Tickets \$1 each
Admission \$2 / Children under 10 Free

### **Schedule of Events**

\*Saturday November 18th 9:00 am - 6:00 pm \*Sunday November 19th 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm \*Monday November 20th & Tuesday 21st 9:00 am - 6:00 pm

\*Closed Wednesday November 22nd & Thursday November 23rd \*Friday November 24th -Saturday November 25th 9:00 am - 6:00 pm

Drawing will take place @ 5:00 pm on Saturday November 25th

# Breakfast Santa Claus

**Tickets** 

\$5.00 per Person Pancake Breakfast

Saturday November 25, 2023 8 am - 11 am

Bring your Camera & Capture the Memories

# BIRTHDAY

# October

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	<b>Paul Klein</b>
Most Worshipful Grand Master	Clay Smith
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18	<b>Steve Miles</b>
	<b>Jason Davis</b>
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# November

James Furry
Ronald Stephenson
Jade Hambright
Matthew Claxton
G L Gilchrist
Ben Pool
Charles Cabler
Joseph McReynolds
Jal Dennis
Paul Wood
Charles Snow
Ronald Hall
Dalton Walton
Mike Mitchell
David Sharp
Michael Perez
Steve Shepard HP&P
Rudolph Wallace 1
Ken Prescott
Don Bunnell P.P1
James Caillouet Recorder12
Jerry Pingle15
Jody Murillo
Hubert Smith Sr 16
Peter Sheridan18
Glenn Aaron 19
David Wheeler20
Robert Ragland
Max Richardson2
Tim Kreitz22
Jay Thomas P.P 24
Edward Garcia OG2
Jon Hope2
Richard Palmer29
Charles Cabler III29



# Suez Shrine Calendar October & November

### October 2023

9<sup>th</sup> – Columbus Day

21<sup>st</sup> - Suez Stated Meeting @ Fall Ceremonial See insert for Fall Ceremonial 31<sup>st</sup> -Halloween



### November 2023

11<sup>th</sup>- Veterans Parade 11:00 am / San Angelo 1:00 pm - Meal (after Parade) Stated Meeting 2:00 pm 3:00pm Getting set up for Fez-Tival for Trees

Theme: Turkey Day!

Wear your stretchy Pants and Let's EAT!

### Shrine Clubs Monthly Meetings

Abilene Shrine Club – 1<sup>st</sup> Monday Concho Shrine Club – 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday Heart of Texas Shrine Club – 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Nolan County Shrine Club – 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday Midland Shrine Club – 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday

### **Blue Lodge Monthly Meetings**

### \*1st Monday

Ft. San Saba Lodge #784

#### \*1st Tuesday

Coleman Lodge #496 San Angelo Lodge #570 Mullin Lodge #806 Scurry Co. Lodge #706

#### \*1st Thursday

Abilene Lodge #559 Brady Lodge #628 Brownwood Lodge #279 Paint Rock Lodge #613

#### \*1st Saturday

Midland Centennial Lodge #1448

#### \*2nd Monday

Bangs Lodge #926 Christoval Lodge #901

#### \*2nd Tuesday

Ft McKavett Lodge #750 Hobah Lodge #1394

### \*2nd Thursday

Concho Lodge #1260 Eldorado Lodge #890 Hope Lodge #481 John Sayles Lodge #1408 Midland Lodge #623 Staked Plains Lodge #598

#### \*3rd Tuesday

Carlsbad Lodge #1415 Miles Lodge #898 Santa Anna Lodge #661

#### \*3rd Thursday

Cisco Lodge #556 Goldthwait #694 Dee Ora Lodge #715

### \*3rd Saturday

Midland Centennial Lodge #1448

#### \*4th Monday

Wingate Lodge #1042

#### \*4th Tuesday

Cross Plains Lodge #627

#### \*4th Thursday

Concho Lodge #1260 Midland Lodge #623 Staked Plains Lodge #598 Hylton Lodge #884 -The Saturday on or before the full moon

### **Retraction**

Roy L. Burnum did not pass Away.

We apologize for any inconvenience this has caused Noble Burnum

### What do your Yearly Dues pay for?

# There are Three parts to your Shrine yearly dues.

- **1.** <u>Suez Temple:</u> Your dues stay here for The day-to-day operation for Suez Temple. (2024 Dues \$100.00)
- **2.** Per Capita Assessment: This is for the Operations of Shriners International (2024 Dues \$50.00)
- **3.** <u>Hospital Assessment:</u> This is for the Operations of Shriners Children's Hospitals. (2024 Dues \$5.00)

### My Fez Card Viewer

# How to download your New Shrine Card on your Smart Phone

- Go to your App store
- Download the "My FezCard Viewer" App
- Open the app and follow instructions on the screen
- You have two Shrine Numbers: Member & Shrine ID

You will need your Shrine ID number

- After putting in your Information a Black Card will be on your phone and will have all you Information and dues year on it. If it is not Black card, then you are NOT up to date on your Dues.
- Shriners International WILL NOT send out stickers anymore. If you wish to receive a Sticker, please call the Suez Shrine Office and request one.
- If you need any help with downloading your Shrine Card, or you do not know your Shrine ID, please call the office.

Suez Shrine Temple 325-949-0551

### **Petition For Membership**

Ceremonial Date(s):		Paid: \$ Cash/Check/CC
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# Ziphron Temple No. 100

The ladies of Ziphron Temple No. 100 have been super busy, having fun and getting ready for more fun! We had a float in the West Texas Fair and Rodeo Parade on September 9, riding right behind the Abilene Shrine Club float and the Mystic Wheels go-carts from Moslah Shrine Temple of Ft. Worth. The heat really wasn't so bad, and we got to wave to lots of parade spectators.

This was followed the very next weekend on September 16 by our annual Queen's Tea at the San Angelo Country Club. We wore our hats - some crazy, some elegant, all fun! The food was fabulous, the games hilarious, the many gifts supportive of the Convalescent Endowment Fund, and the fellowship sweet. We agreed that we should do it more often! A warm thank you to all who worked to make this happen, especially Princess Royal Nancy Harris, Princess Nancy Keister, Past Queen Erin Bennett, Junior Past Queen Debbie Vanadore, and Princess Janiece Stephenson.

Next, we are looking forward to Texas Days in Tyler, Texas September 28-30, and we're preparing to have our tree shining out at Suez Shrine's Fez-Tival of Trees in November. It's a great time to be a member of Daughters of the Nile Ziphron Temple No. 100!

Queen Carolyn Milton







Held in September 2023 @ San Angelo Country Club

# West Texas Far & Rodeo Parade Abilene TX





#### ELECTION CALL

The annual election of officers of Suez Shrine Temple and of representatives to the 2024 Imperial Council Session will be held at the December Stated Meeting of Suez Shrine Temple on December 18, 2023, at 2915 Loop 306, San Angelo, Texas 76904. The Stated Meeting will start at 7:30 pm, and the election of officers and representatives will commence no later than 9:00 pm. A 2023 Shrine Membership Card is required for admittance to the meeting. Every Noble is urged to attend this meeting. No further notice will be given.

Sheldon Claborn

Potentate

James Caillouet Recorder

The following section of the bylaws of the Imperial Council, Shriners International, is quoted for information and compliance; § 325.11 Election Regulations.

(a) Electioneering.

A candidate for an elected office in a Shrine temple may print, publish and circulate during the year he is seeking the elected office, a resume consisting of his educational background, his vocational history, and his Masonic and Shrine record. Except as provided in the prior sentence, the printing, publication, circulating or distribution of resolutions, letters, telegrams, tickets, email or other devices, by a unit, club, Noble, or group of Nobles, suggesting, recommending, opposing, or containing the names of proposed candidates for office in the temple is prohibited.

(b) Expenditures Prohibited.

The expenditure of money for gifts, favors, or entertainment on behalf of a candidate for elected office is prohibited.

(c) Violation.

For any violation of (a) or (b), the Imperial Potentate may suspend any offending Noble, and he may declare the election of the officer's void and order a new election.

(d) Notice.

At least one week prior to the annual meeting or any election, the temple Recorder shall mail to each member a notice thereof containing this section.

### ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Oriental Guide Must Be Selected Wisely

When the members of a Shrine Temple elect a Noble to the Office of Oriental Guide, they are virtually starting that Noble through the Divan Line on the assumption that he will prove qualified for and worthy of advancement to the high Office of Illustrious Potentate.

Hence it is quite evident that the nomination for Oriental Guide should be based upon thorough and accurate evaluation of character, ability, prestige, interest and experience.

A Noble can be a good fellow, a hard worker, and a loyal Shriner ... and yet lack the basic qualification which make a good Potentate. Unless a Noble is fully qualified for the job, he is unfair both to himself and to his Temple in seeking the Office or in permitting his fellow Nobles to support and promote his candidacy.

Each Shrine Temple needs and requires able, high-type leadership. The normal starting point of that leadership is the office of Oriental Guide, The following Check List may prove helpful in evaluating potential candidates for the Office of Oriental Guide. However, no thinking man would be so naive or presumptuous as to believe that anyone Noble could possibly embody all of the virtues, talents, and qualifications which are set forth in this Check List. Nevertheless the List has practical value for self- evaluation by the Nobles whose ultimate aspiration in the Office of Illustrious Potentate ... And for advance evaluation of potential candidates by the voting members.

- He should have good business judgement. He should be friendly and outgoing, a good mixer.
- He should have the ability to express himself clearly, in language that will make us proud of him, rather than apologetic.
- He should present an imposing personal appearance.
- 4. He should be able to hold his own and advance the interest of his Temple and Freemasonry in high places-as well as among the humble.
- He should be a devoted Mason, and constantly promote the interest of Freemasonry everywhere.
- 6. He should be proud, yet humble.
- He should have good character and a past open to investigation.
- 8. He should be a leader, have good standing in his community and be influential in its affairs.
- 9. He should be financially secure.
- 10. He should be in good health, full of energy and vitality.
- 11. He should be able to devote ample time to his duties.
- 12. He should be a man who, when he appears anywhere in public, you will be proud of and not apologetic for his shortcomings.
- 13. His wife should be able to understand his devotion to duty; realize that he is Potentate, and not she: be able to dress and wear appropriate clothing, and be familiar with the social amenities. Remember, she is destined to become Sucz First Lady.

Nominations for Oriental Guide should be based upon thorough and accurate evaluation of character, ability and interest.

Remember, you are electing your spokesman and standard bearer and the one who will represent you throughout the world,

We have great talent in our Temple. Let us seek out the best man we can find who is willing to make the sacrifice. And it requires great sacrifice! Many Temples have suffered from inferior Potentates because of hasty judgement and oversight of qualifications when selecting Oriental Guides.

To be Potentate of Suez is a great honor. With that honor goes tremendous responsibility! Suez has great talent in its ranks. Let's seek it! The job requires and entails a lot of time-consuming, energy-consuming WORK.

Let's be fair and sincere. Let's get the very best we can find!

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