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**Congratulations to Zamora Shrine Center's 2014  
Shiner of the Year Brian Fields**

# From the Potentate...



The Awards Night and Zamora Christmas Party on December 6th was one fun filled night. Zamora was proud to recognize outstanding Nobles for 2014.

It was such a good feeling to see the smiles on so many hospital kids' faces and our own kids' faces at the Kids Christmas Party Sunday, December 7th.

Congratulations to Chief Rabban Ed Graves on being elected Illustrious Potentate for 2015 and all the rest of the Divan. Let's get behind them and have a great year. Make plans to attend the 2015 Installation of Officers on January 7th.

To all of the Nobles who made the Christmas Parades, I say thank you. This gives us an opportunity to shine and show off the Red Fez and all of the fun that Shriners have and our purpose of helping kids.

I cannot say thank you enough to the Southeastern Roller Derby girls for a great Charity Roller Derby night on December 20th, and all of the Nobles and Ladies

who volunteered to make this a successful night. All monies taken in were donated to our Zamora Hospital Transportation Fund. Once again, "THANK YOU"!

Well, this will be my last article as Potentate of Zamora Temple. I have enjoyed being your Potentate and earning your trust this year. It has been an honor and pleasure to work with so many hard working Nobles and Ladies. I cannot thank you enough for all you have done in 2014. Let's keep on rolling and make 2015 even better.

**Let's Roll!**

Ron Patrick  
Potentate 2014

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

**As of August 31, 2012, the deadline is the 5th day of each month for all submitted materials for publication in the next edition of the Zamora News.**

**Sorry, NO EXCEPTIONS.**  
**Thank You**

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**...to support your Blue Lodge all year long!**

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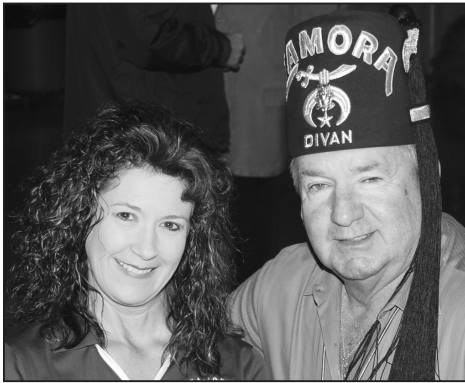
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# Zamora Shrine Awards Night



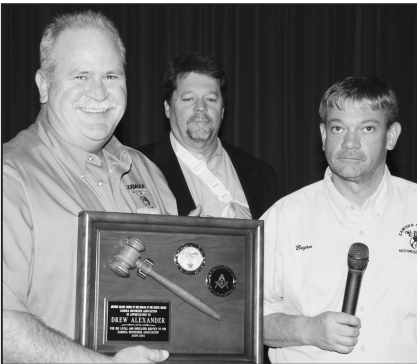
Introducing the 2015 Zamora Shrine Divan.



Shriner of the Year for 2014 Noble Brian Fields, along with Illustrious Sir Ron Patrick, the 2014 Potentate. See article on page 6.







**Congratulations to  
all award winners!**



### ELECTION NIGHT USHERS IN NEW FACES FOR 2015

Election Night always brings about changes for the next year, and this year's election was no exception. Pictured left is Zamora Shrine's Potentate, Illustrious Sir Ron Patrick congratulating Divan member Ed Graves, on being elected to serve as Potentate for 2015.

**Nobles,  
always  
remember  
your Blue  
Lodge and  
support it all  
year long!**

## Noble Brian Fields named Shriner of the Year

The 2014 Shriner of the Year has been announced, and it is Noble Brian Fields. Brian has been an active member of Zamora Shrine Center since he joined in the spring of 2009. If you have been to any meetings, dinners or even rentals, you have seen him working tirelessly. He has helped out on so many spectrums and is our Potentate's choice for this honor.

Noble Fields is a member of Hewitt/North Birmingham #519 Masonic Lodge. At Zamora, he is in the Legends Unit and drives his car in competitions regular-



**Noble Brian Fields, the  
2014 Shriner of the Year.**

ly. He is also the 1st Vice - President of the Motorized Association. He has been an Environmental Technologist for Southern Research Institute in Birmingham for the past 8 years where he performs environmental sampling of waste water (FGD) and flue gas for power companies, and he operates a Combustion Research Facility.

Noble Fields is married to Wendy, father of Cameron and resides in Hayden. He is the son of Noble Ed Fields and Lady Sue and brother to Gary.

### Shrine License Plate Report

The following is an accounting of the funds received from the sale of Shrine auto license plates, how the money is divided and which Temple receives donations to its transportation fund.

#### November 1 - November 30, 2014

County	Temple	Amount
Baldwin .....	Abba .....	\$448.87
Bibb .....	Abba .....	\$106.88
Marengo .....	Abba .....	\$64.13
Butler .....	Alcazar .....	\$42.75
Chilton .....	Alcazar .....	\$21.37
Coffee .....	Alcazar .....	\$21.37
Dale .....	Alcazar .....	\$42.75
Lee .....	Alcazar .....	\$21.38
Montgomery .....	Alcazar .....	\$21.38
Randolph .....	Alcazar .....	\$21.37
Russell .....	Alcazar .....	\$42.75
Cleburn .....	Cahaba .....	\$21.37
Colbert .....	Cahaba .....	\$21.37
Cullman .....	Cahaba .....	\$21.37
DeKalb .....	Cahaba .....	\$171.00
Franklin .....	Cahaba .....	\$42.75
Jackson .....	Cahaba .....	\$85.50
Lauderdale .....	Cahaba .....	\$85.50
Blount .....	Zamora .....	\$235.12
Calhoun .....	Zamora .....	\$64.12
Cherokee .....	Zamora .....	\$106.87
Etowah .....	Zamora .....	\$85.50
Fayette .....	Zamora .....	\$42.74
Jefferson .....	Zamora .....	\$384.75
Shelby .....	Zamora .....	\$42.04
St. Clair .....	Zamora .....	\$106.87
Talladega .....	Zamora .....	\$21.37
Tuscaloosa .....	Zamora .....	\$42.75
Walker .....	Zamora .....	\$85.50
Winston .....	Zamora .....	\$85.50
Paid to Abba Transportation Fund .....		\$111.58
Paid To Alcazar Transportation Fund .....		\$42.32
Paid To Cahaba Transportation Fund .....		\$169.29
Paid To Zamora Transportation Fund .....		\$234.56
Paid To Shriners Hospitals .....		\$2,540.85
Pd. to Hospital Program Since 10-1-94 .....		\$789,872.06
Pd. to Transportation Funds Since 10-1-94 .....		\$152,897.30
Beginning balance 11-1-12 .....		\$29.31
Ending balance 11-30-12 .....		\$29.31



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# Legends raise money for Paper Sale Crusade

On a recent, bright Saturday morning, members of the Legends Unit got together to create a roadblock to help raise money for Zamora's Paper Sale Crusade.

the Paper Sale! Our Hospital Kids truly appreciate all you do for them!

Thank you, Legends, for all of your hard work toward



Members of the Legends Unit, from l-r: Illustrious Sir Glen Watson, P.P.; Noble John Perry; Illustrious Sir Miles Huffstutler, P.P.; Noble Terrell Yates; Noble David Weeks and Noble Steve Horton.

## Zamora Shriners step up to serve Hospital patient

For those who are given much, much is expected. Sometimes we are placed in situations not of our own making. One such coincidence occurred the other day to several Nobles.

A motorized wheelchair was donated to the Zamora Lounge for anyone needing it. Everything worked, but the batteries needed replacing. A parent of one of our Hospital children inquired about the chair. Her son was going into our Hospital for orthopedic surgery. It was then that Jimmy Sills of the

Dune Buggy Unit stepped in and notified Al Wortham that the Dune Buggy Unit would help by buying the batteries. Al went to Batteries Plus in Trussville to shop for wheelchair batteries. At first, he was told that the batteries cost \$49.50 each, but after some discussion, the Batteries Plus employee sked for a tax ID number and conferred with a manager at the store. The result was that the total cost for the two batteries was \$65. The wheelchair will now be provided to our patient for temporary

use, and when it is returned to us, it will be reconditioned for a future need.

Once again, Zamora Shriners stepped up to provide a service to one of our patients. Thanks again, Z Lounge, Al Wortham, Batteries Plus in Trussville and the World Famous Zamora Dune Buggies.

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# Zamora Shriners Stated Meeting Protocol

## DRESS

**THE FEZ:** The **Fez** is the only head covering to be worn at meetings.

**SHRINE PINS:** The Shrine pin should be worn on the left lapel of a suit coat or jacket.

**ATTIRE:** Appropriate

attire for a business meeting is expected. (No shorts, tank tops or flip flops).

## MILITARY SALUTE

**PRESENTATION OF COLORS/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The military salute is rendered during the presentation of the Colors and when reciting the

Shrine pledge of allegiance.

**AUDITORIUM:** A Noble will not remove his fez. A Noble who is wearing his Fez will execute a right hand salute and hold the salute until the colors are posted after the pledge of allegiance. A Noble who is not wearing his Fez places his right hand over the heart

instead of the right hand salute.

## PRAYER

During prayer, the Fez will be removed and placed in the right hand, over the heart, in an upright position, with the lettering facing out.

## RECOGNITION TO SPEAK

The Noble must stand and be recognized by the Potentate in order to speak. If there is a microphone, the Noble will approach the microphone before address-

ing the Potentate.

When he is recognized by the Potentate, he should answer "Illustrious Sir." He should then salaam the Potentate and address the Potentate as "Illustrious Sir." The Salaam will be used only at tiled meetings, not when non-Shiners are present.

## ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

Alcoholic beverages will not be allowed in the meeting room during any stated meeting.

## ATTENTION NOBLES STATED MEETING JANUARY 28, 2015

An Auctioneer has been hired to auction our temple. The auction will be held on January 27, 2015. The auction bids will be in the Zamora Shrine Center office on January 28, 2015. A Stated Meeting is called for January 28, 2015. The Ilustrious Sir Ed Graves will present to the Nobles all of the terms, contingencies, consideration and bids. Afterwards, a ballot vote will be taken from the Nobles for an approval to accept or to deny the bid for the sell of Zamora Shrine Center. A dinner will be served at 6:00 P.M., with the meeting starting at 7:00 P.M.

There will be a Divan meeting at 5:00 P.M.

## Transportation Fund Donations

**Family of Jason Wiggins, Michael and Denise Lorick, Clown Unit, Vagabonds, Motor Corps., Blind Man's Store**

In Memory of:

By:

Ollis F. Dempsey

Pat Davidson

Arthur Ham

**Morgan and Sally Hamm  
Fairfield Emblem Club  
Motor Corps.  
Skat Kats**

Denise "Dee Dee"  
Hicks

Ron Patrick

# Third annual Zamora Circus huge success

Our third Shrine Circus is in the history books. I can't thank all of you enough who worked so hard to make it happen! Many were part of the process all year long, and many more volunteered and helped when we needed it at the circus itself.

Listed below are the Circus Committee Chairs, without whom the Circus could not have happened. My hat (Fez) is off to each of them. A special thanks to our clowns for all they did to make the kids laugh. So many helped in so many ways, but I have to single out Brian Fason, Tom & Pat Gaskins and Crystal Buzbee for going above and beyond the call of duty! Last, but

certainly not least, thanks to Tommy McGhee and Dixie Shrine Club for all their hard work in providing all the meals for our volunteers. They did a great job!

All the numbers are not in yet, but it appears that we did not make a profit. It will be up to next year's Divan and incoming Potentate Ed Graves to decide whether to continue or not. It may be that the Circus needs to be reinvented to a different venue or production company. In any event, I ask that we all support whatever decision is made.

We all worked very hard to make the Circus a financial success and, ultimately, if we continue, it must be.

However, whatever happens in the future, we can all be proud of what has been accomplished in the past three years:

1. There are thousands of kids in our area who had a great time and made memories that will last a lifetime, thanks to Shriners.

2. There are thousands of adults who had never heard of Shriners, or at the very least had no idea what we do or where we stand, that now do. We made a very positive impression on many people. We can be proud of that!

3. The Circus brought together our Nobles and their wives to work together, make new and stronger rela-

tionships. Many Shriners came out to help that we have not seen in years!

Overall, other than financially, our Circus was a great success. Thanks again to all you Nobles and your wives who helped make it happen. I am so proud of all of you!

**Co-Chairman -**  
**Glen D. Watson, P.P.**  
**Ticket Chairmen -**  
**Jim Kutschke,**  
**Ed Graves**  
**Publicity Chairman -**  
**Brian Fason**  
**Circus Dad Chairmen -**  
**Tom & Pat Gaskins**  
**Program Chairman -**  
**Crystal Buzbee**  
**Audit Chairman -**  
**Gene Thompson, P.P.**

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**- Tommy McGhee**  
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**Don Baker**  
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**Photography Chairman -**  
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**Johnnie Alderson**  
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**Mini Parades -**  
**Al Wortham**  
**Child I.D. -**  
**Tommy Fields**  
**Clown Shirts -**  
**Tim Vaughan**

Greg Gregerson

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