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# ZAMORA NEWS

# From the Potentate...

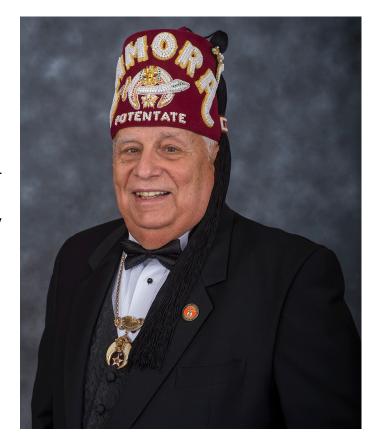
## Tom Gaskins

I want to commence by Congratulating III. Sir Tommy McGhee for the success he had in 2016. He and His Lady Jackie did an excellent job. Thank you both for everything.

Open Installation was delayed by mother nature but nobles third time's a charm. The driveway up the hill to Zamora was a sheet of ice, especially the shaded long stretch.

Our Italian Chef, Ed Fields, his friend and Supporter of Zamora Glen Perkins cooked one fine Italian Dinner. Glen isn't a Shriner but his love for the Children and his respect for what we do brings him into our kitchen to work for hours to just help us out. Another Supporter of Zamora helped out in that kitchen that day. Derek Ackley, a neighbor of mine and his lady Paula were seen donating their time. He was in the kitchen and she was seen helping ice fez cakes. Past Potentate Ed Graves was seen in the kitchen helping out wherever they needed him to.

The new First Lady made 187 fez cakes and several ladies came in the day of the installation to ice them and get them ready. Helpers were Rena Chastain, Linda Graves, our daughter Debbie, Paula Ackley, Vicki Simpson, Betty Owens, Debbie Lann, Mike Lann, Marilyn Sills and the First Lady.



Donna and Shea thank you so much for all the time and effort you both put into this to help make it very special evening for us. Debbie Crook many thanks to you for all the support getting all the paperwork and signs ready.

The evening brought right at 200 people through our front doors to be a part of this event. We had a great crowd. Someone said it was because our Italian Chef was cooking. Hope everyone enjoyed some of the best spaghetti we have ever eaten served with seasoned bread. The spinach salad that was served was totally outstanding and the unique fez cakes.

Rena Chastain piped each and every strand on the tassel's of all 187 cakes. She made me that Congratulations Cake some of you were fortunate enough to get a piece of.

I would be remiss if I didn't thank III. Sir Past Potentate Ed Graves for emceeing the event. He did an excellent job and the evening went off without a hitch.

With all this said, there was a lot of time and effort put into the evening by a lot of nobles and their ladies..... plus even better by people that just love the Shriners and what they do. That's a powerful statement to be able to make. Thank you..... all of you.

The new Elected & Appointed Officers of Zamora, Unit Directors and Club Presidents for 2017 took their Oath of Office and the Shriners Creed was read by Marshal Paul Vaughn. Congratulations to each one of them I and looking forward to working with them throughout this year. We have a lot of work to do so roll up your sleeves and get ready. The Shine Units and Clubs will see a lot of me during the year and hopefully we can accomplish a lot together.

Zamora has a new Recorder, Noble John Akers. John has been a shriner since May 1979 and we have known each other since then. John will make an excellent Recorder and I am looking forward to 2017 working with him. Congratulations to you on your new position.

We have a strong agenda ahead of us and I thoroughly intend to accomplish our goals. Our Committee Chairmen and Members of those committees are dedicated Nobles and they bring with them expertise needed to be at the highest of our potential. We will work hard to accomplish the sale of the Shrine Center, to solve financial issues facing us, to increase our Membership, to increase our income and decrease our expenses, to work smarter and not necessarily harder. We will need the support of each and every Noble.

This year I introduced our new Call One Phone System. If you are not receiving our phone calls or if you prefer to receive them on another number please contact me.

This will allow a call from your Potentate, the Shrine Center, your Unit Directors, Club Presidents informing you of an event, changes and current news we need to get out to you. Contact me for the information needed to allow your Unit or Club to save money and to be able to participate also under this system.

Several of you have requested a 2017 Potentates Bus Trip to the Greenville Shriners Hospital and I hope you get signed up to go. We depart Zamora Friday am March the 10th and return directly from the hospital tour and lunch on March the 11th. Your only cost is your bus ticket and the hotel we all stay in. Please contact the office at 956-3636 or contact us and sign up to go. We are trying to get a head count in order to see what size bus to get and how many rooms. Rooms become the issue as a lot of folks attend this yearly event. Call ASAP please.

The DeMolay and Rainbow Girls were a big part of the installation. These young men and women are very special to us and very important to Zamora. You will more than likely see them a lot this year helping the Potentate and His Lady with events they have.

If you weren't able to attend due to the rescheduling you missed a great evening. Thanks to all for a wonderful Public Installation, great meal and wonderful friendship.

Our Directory and Calendar hopefully should be out in a matter of a couple of weeks. I've had to wait on pictures and a couple of Units and Nobles. We have resized to fit into your pocket and have sold the back page to help cover the cost of the books. Hope you like the new layout and the new look.

In closing please take advantage of the Zamora Shriners Web Site also. Nick is doing an excellent job and it's really nice with all the pics in color and the up to date information found there also. The Units and Clubs need to use this avenue for their events also. Communication is a key to success. Its available for you to use and the members appreciate seeing some of what is happening.

Tom Gaskins Potentate 2017



# Notice to all the Nobles of Zamora we are starting a new phone calling system

This system will allow us to contact you and keep you informed of any events coming up and of any information that pertains to the nobility be it good or bad news. It will be best if the number it goes to is capable of receiving a voice mail or text in case you are not available at that time. It is also capable of just sending an email if you provide us with that information.

I have sent a trial run out to you and if you haven't received a call from One Call please contact Tom Gaskins so we can update your information.

Please call me at 205-527-4356 and leave me a voice mail with your name and phone number you prefer of if your Preference is to opt out from the system. If you prefer you can also text me at the above phone number.

Tom Gaskins
Potentate "2017"
Zamora Shrine Center
3521 Ratliff Rd.
Irondale Al. 35210
Cell 205-527-4356

tennvols2@charter.net





# Zamora Shrine Center

2017 Vidalia Onion Sale

\$5.00 for a 5 lb. Bag \$10.00 for a 10 lb. Bag

To order your onions please call 205-956-3636 or 205-368-0785.

Email: bigtopfazo@gmail.com

Pre-Paid Onion Sale Preorders are taken until March 20, 2017.

Money must be turned in before the onions are ordered.

Have you placed your order yet?
We need your help....
Why not call today?
205-956-3636







### ZAMORA SHRINE CENTER 2017 SWEET VIDALIA ONION SALE



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This is a prepaid fundraiser.

If money is not turned in with orders, those orders will not be processed.

\$5.00 for each 5 lb. bag

\$10.00 for each 10 lb. bag.

March 22, 2017 is order deadline

Onions are being sold as a fundraiser for the proceeds to benefit

Zamora Shrine Center

Not deductible as a Charitable Contribution.

# **NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS**



# CREDIT CARDS – SURCHARGES EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 2017 ZAMORA WILL START CHARGING A THREE (3) PERCENT SURCHARGE ON ALL CREDIT CARDS USES AT THE TEMPLE.

# Use WebFez to verify your personal information, payments and Shrine activity

# **How to Register for WebFez:**

- Go to your browser's address bar and type in webfez.shrinenet.org
- Click the register button on the Login page: Register
- From the Registration page, choose your Temple from the drop-down list and then type in your Member Number and your First and Last names.

 Click on the Register button. You will be directed to the Create a New Account page. On this page enter an E-mail address that you will use to log in with, confirm the E-mail address, and then enter and confirm your Password.

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- Scroll down to read the WebFez User
   Agreement and Privacy policy. Agree by
   clicking the checkbox.
- After the checkbox is selected, click on Register. This will Register you for WebFez and log you into the system.

# Hop on board and go with us!



Nobles, Ladies, Friends and Family,

Chief Rabban Tom Gaskins put together our last hospital bus trip in 2012 and he thinks it's time we take another bus trip to support Shriner Days at the Shriners Hospital in Greenville, SC.

This trip will be scheduled for leaving March 10th, 2017 early that Friday morning from Zamora and arrive there in time to check into the hotel and then go to the hospital for Hospitality and dinner that evening.

The next morning we will eat breakfast at the hotel, check out and go to the hospital for the big Shriner Days event and guided tours of the hospital. Once tours are over we will eat lunch there at the hospital and then board the bus for the trip back.

We need to see who all is interested in going. Your cost will be per person on bus, your room for the hotel. Also....... You will need to bring a boxed lunch or brown bag for the trip over and snacks for the return trip.

In 2012 we had a great trip over with a big bus loaded full of Zamora Nobles and their ladies. We have had several ask us if we were going to do this again. The time has come......

We will keep you posted on all the other details involved but we need you to call the office and tell them you want to sign up for the trip. Plus, if necessary, this gives you time to be able to take that Friday off from work. We can't get any final numbers until we have a count and know how many are going to go.

Please contact the Zamora Office at 205-956-3636 to sign up. We will get a second bus if needed but numbers will have to support doing this...... With this being said please reserve your spot as we may only have enough to take one bus.

### FAQ's

Can I bring food on the bus? Bring you a box lunch or brown bag for Friday on the bus and all the snacks you want.

Can I ask my sister, brother, mom or neighbor to go? This is open to anyone you would like to bring or ask to go. If you have someone that really supports the Shrine they might even love to go.

Will we stop while on the bus? We stop plan for at a state Rest Stop for a break going and coming.

# 2017 Shriner Days Greenville, SC. Zamora Bus Trip



We want to plan a bus trip to go.

We are just now starting to plan.

Don't have cost yet but will be bus and hotel. We will work out the best deals we can. Let us know if you are interested and save the date.

Date: March 10-11, 2017

All events are at Shriners Hospitals for Children—Greenville, SC & times approximate at this point.

All events are at the hospital

Depart Zamora early Friday am

Friday 5:30pm Hospitality & Dinner

Saturday 9am Hospital Update &

then guided tours of the hospital.

12:30pm Lunch and then adjourn

We will take pic and then get on the

bus and return to Zamora

Contact Office If Interested in Going at (205) 956-3636



Illustrious Sir Tom Gaskins installed as 2017 Potentate of Zamora Shrine Center

Illustrious Sir Tom Gaskins was installed as Potentate of Zamora Shrine Center on January 10, 2017.

The Illustrious Sir was raised to Master Mason on February 2, 1978, Lodge #843 in Hueytown, Alabama. He joined the York Rite April 1978 and the Scottish Rite Feb 1979 in Birmingham, Alabama.

He became a noble at Zamora May 1978 and he immediately joined the Provost Guard and was a member of that unit for several years. Had a jet black and chrome Honda 750 motorcycle that he rode with the unit.

Illustrious Sir demitted to the Jerusalem Shrine Center in New Orleans 5/30/90 and when he finished his work there he demitted right back to Zamora Shrine Center April 2, 1992.

Upon returning he joined the Convertible Unit and served as Director of that Unit for 5 years.

Served as Chairman of the Hospital Out Reach Program for three years, served as Secretary/Treasurer Rambler Unit for 4 years. He is a member of the Road Runners at Zamora.

Served on various Committees at Zamora through the years and his favorite being the Hospital & Shrine Kids Christmas Party which he did for several years.

Member of the Motor Corps and was a member of the Motor Corps Drill Team.

He received the Top Twelve Shriner Award in 2001, Shriner of the Year 2012, Top 13 Shriner Award 2013 and the Bobby Stone Award 2013,

He had the honor of serving as Worshipful Master 2013-2014 at his lodge, Unity Lodge #930 formally Hueytown #843

Illustrious Sir was born and raised in Knoxville, Tennessee. He met his First Lady Pat in high school and hasn't let her go since. He has a son Gregg Gaskins that lives in South Carolina and a daughter Debbie Moore-Chitlangia that lives in Irondale, Al. 5 Grandchildren, 2 Great Grandchildren and 1 step grandson. Proud of each and every one of them. One of the grandsons is also a Shriner at Zamora.

Joined the United States Army and served for 5 years. 1961-1967. Started out in Missiles and then changed to Cryptographic. Served in the US and overseas.

Worked at US Steel, Fairfield, Alabama and worked there for over 20 years and did various projects, such as Q-Bop, etc. and attended various schools. He then moved for 12 years to LaPlace, Louisiana and there helped build Bayou Steel from ground up. He retired from Nidek Medical Products Inc, as Engineering Manager.

Illustrious Sir Tom Gaskins resides in Irondale, Al with his wife, Lady Pat.

He sincerely wants you to know this......

Illustrious Sir Tom Gaskins loves his wife and family. He loves the Shrine, loves Zamora and appreciates beyond words the nobility and all the dedication and hard work they have put into making it a fraternity that is beyond all others. He admires the friendships that he has developed through the years and continues to develop.

He hopes he can make a difference at Zamora this year. He's going to give it 150% and asks that each one of you make an effort to make it an outstanding year for yourself, your organization and YOUR Shrine Center.

Illustrious Sir wants to thank all of the Zamora Nobles that have agreed to become a big part of this year. Those serving as part of the 2017 Divan, elected and appointed, Personal Aides and their Ladies, Potentates Staff, Unit Directors, Shrine Club Presidents and all the Nobles that have agreed to chair and take the responsibility of a Committee. So many have stepped up to the plate and want to be a part of 2017. Thanking you in advance.

Illustrious Sir asks that if you have any suggestions and ideas on how to make it better to please come to him and let him know. Your ideas and suggestions are important to him.

Just remember...

We Will Make A Difference, keep the children in your heart and ......

"There's a Little Volunteer in Every Shriner"

# FEBRUARY

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# Ladies Self-Defense and Survival Class

Sunday April 30, 2017 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM Zamora Shrine Temple

# Ladies Ages 12 and Up

The Instructor, Soke Dave Shelton, is a 10<sup>th</sup> Degree Black Belt, Supreme Grandmaster, and is founder of the style of Shorin Ryu Matsumara Soken Do. He has a PhD, Doctor of Philosophy in Asian Martial Arts. He is a member of the "World Head of Family Sokeship Grandmaster's Council" and 15 International Halls of Fame. He has 52 years of experience.

Please visit our website: www.theimss.org

For any questions or directions please contact one of the following numbers:

Pat Gaskins: 205-715-9743

Soke Dave Shelton: 205-999-6668



Hillbilly News

Boy, how time has flown. The Hillbilly Unit has been extra busy this year, working hard to put smiles on faces, young and old and the young at heart. We have for months been organizing the Zamora Shrine Kids Christmas Party. This has truly been a labor of love and has renewed in us the warmth and spirit of the Christmas season.

There have been weeks of phone calls to parents, letting them know about the party and discovering what the children liked or needed. We received many glowing reports from parents and guardians regarding their trips to the Shriners Hospitals for Children and their sincere appreciation for all Shriners.

Then, thanks to our faithful donors, we were able to provide a meal to everyone in attendance. Food Giant in Pinson, Mayfield Dairy, Buds Cookies and Coca Cola all came through for our kids.

With our donations of money and gifts, and many hours of shopping, wrapping and organizing, we were able to provide each child at the party with a gift from Santa's workshop.

We wish to thank each and every person who helped to make this event possible. The Motorized Unit provided a great cakewalk. The ladies from Daughters of the Nile painted many smiling faces. Our own Soke Dave Shelton was a tireless Santa. Dawn Hill and her crew did a fantastic job taking pictures of Santa and the kids. Then, there were to countless hours spent decorating, taking down and cleaning up. A lot of this tiring and thankless behind the scenes work was done by our devoted divan.

Members of the Hillbilly Unit and many volunteers were there to make sure all had a good time, from greeting everyone at the door, serving food, providing fun and making sure everyone left with a smile.

It was my pleasure and honor to have been a part of this special event. And, it is with great gratitude that I am able to call myself a Shriner.

Mike Lann
Outer Guard
Director, Hillbilly Unit





# TREAT YOUR LADY TO A

# VALENTINE DINNER

# DIXIE SHRINE CLUB

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2017

DOORS OPEN AT 4:00 PM, DINNER AT 5:00 PM

MENU: RIBEYE STEAK, BAKED POTATO, SALAD, DESSERT, AND WINE

\$16.50 PER PERSON

CASH BAR AVAILABLE

RSVP BY WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH TO NOBLE CHET HAYES AT 205 902-7307

# **DEMOLAY KICKS OFF 2017**

Just like our sponsor (Zamora Shriners) the Birmingham Chapter Order of DeMolay started the year by installing a new slate of officers. On January 15th, the new officers were installed by Alabama State Master Councilor (and brand new Mason) Dalton Absher. Our new leaders are Evan Cheeley- Master Councilor, Andrew Frederick- Senior Councilor, Taylor Cheeley- Junior Councilor, Jaden Housch- Senior Deacon, Matthew Weaver- Junior Deacon, Austin Workman- Senior Steward, Chris Dunston- Junior Steward, Richard Ford- Marshal, Brody Dunston- Chaplain, and Adam Ford- Sentinel.

The ceremony was attended by many family members and friends. They heard our chapters new Master Councilor, Evan, relate his plans and goals for the coming year. Membership will be his priority for 2017. The gathering was completed with a late afternoon lunch provided by our Mom's group headed by Lisa Cheeley.

If you know a young man between the ages of 12 and 21, consider bringing him to one of the regular meetings - he just might catch the spark that is turning our members into the confidential leaders and productive citizens of tomorrow. The chapter meets in the lodge room at Zamora Shrine at 3:00 P.M. on the first and third Sunday of each month. For more information, please call Evan Cheeley at 205-515-0804. There is always room for a young man. We also encourage Moms and Dads to attend. The young men run their meetings and make the decisions-the adults are there to advise and support.

### 10 EASY WAYS TO WRECK OUR TEMPLE

- 1. Don't attend stated meetings.
- If you go be sure to be late.
- If the weather is bad don't even think about going.
- 4. When you do go to a meeting be sure to find fault with the elected leaders.
- Never accept an office, that way you will be able to criticize those in office.
- 6. If you are appointed to a committee avoid attending it's meetings.
- When asked to offer your opinion or constructive criticism tell them that you
  have nothing to say.
- 8. Do nothing more than absolutely necessary but when someone else tells you that only a few are doing the lion's share of the work - that is your opportunity to say - " The Temple is run by a clique".
- Don't worry about paying your dues on time let the other members worry about paying the bills.
- Don't bother getting new members again, let those "others" worry about membership.

DOES THIS SOUND LIKE ANYONE YOU KNOW? PERHAPS IT IS TIME TO WHISPER COUNCIL IN HIS EAR - OR LOOK IN A MIRROR.

### "I'm the Guy"

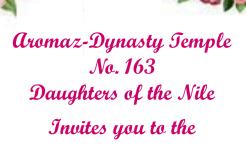
Dear Illustrious Sir and members of the Divan, I'm the guy who was asked to join your organization. I'm the guy who paid his dues to join. I'm the guy who stood up in front of you and promised to be faithful and loyal. I'm the guy who came to your meetings and no one paid any attention to me. I tried several times to be friendly with some of the fellow, but they all had their own buddies to talk to and to sit next to. I sat down alone several times but no one paid any attention to me. I hoped very much that somebody would have asked me to take part in a fund-raising project or something, but no one saw my efforts when I volunteered.

I missed a few meeting after joining because I was sick and couldn't be there. No one asked me at the next meeting where I had been. I guess it didn't matter very much to the others whether I was there or not. The next meeting I decided to stay home and watch TV. I attend the following meeting and no one asked where I was when the last meeting was held.

You might say I'm a good guy, a good family man who holds a responsible job, loves the community and his country. You know who else I am? I'm the guy who never came back.

It amuses me when I think back on how the heads of the organization were discussing why the organization was losing members. It amuses me now to think that you spent so much time looking for new members when I was there all the time. All you had to do was make me feel needed, wanted and welcome.

Regretfully yours, A member you lost



White Rose Tea

Honoring

Pat Gaskins First Lady of Zamora Temple

Sunday, February 19, 2017

Zamora Shrine Center Dining Room 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

The White Rose Tea is open to any lady of Zamora Shrine Center

Flease RSVF by contacting Sonja Newman at 205-902-7153





The following Nobles are celebrating birthdays in January:

Charles Rodrick Goodrich Randall C Burgess James B Williams Thomas R Gaskins Jr. **Kent Lifford Robertson James W Hathcox Ronald Joseph Honeycutt Harvey Charlton Tice Grover Gilliland Jr Lenton G Williams Bruce Darren Thompson Larry D Payton Andrew T Bolton Don Vincent Townsend Richard B Shivers** Thomas W McGhee David A Jones **Robert Jones Formby Jr** Allan R Akers **Dennis O McCay Howard Taft Ennis Jr** Frank Fay Harper P.P.

John Barry Mixon **Gerry R Tubbs** Paul E Rogers Calvin Russell Shirley Joe D Lee Michael Wayne Fisher **Clyde Andrew Murphree Robert L Compton Claud Truman Labore** Floyd W Turner Larry R Fox **John Thomas Spang Daniel T Richardson** Harold F Daniel James E McGee Woodrow W Rutland Jr. **Chester H Hayes Matthew G Dudley** Frederick L Stanley William Andrew Ferguson Wallace Clifton Gibson Jr. Lenix Fred Kusta **Evan Mcglaun Terry Charles F Tankersley Kenneth D Petty** William H Owen Jr **Brian W Wilkes** Jimmy Y Barton **Carlos Wattson Hall Groover Mercer David A Nichols** Thomas Lee McCulloch **David Junior Wood** Kirk P Pearson Sr. Freeman Reese Louis Edgar Stovall Jr Jesse R Crane **Edward H Brannon Jr** Robert C Grigsby Jr Jerry Franklin Goodwin Warren L Lefan

Winston L Each
Wayne H Hudson
Morton W Stern
Larry Ray Trotman
Robert Wilmer Wilder
Gregory A Tucker
Daniel A Sivak
Kenneth W Teal
Brandon S Weeks

Let's all wish them a very Happy Birthday!

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The new officers of Zamora, Unit Directors and Club Presidents for 2017 took their Oath of Office and the Shriners Creed was read by Marshal Paul Vaughn.

The Illustrious Sir Tom Gaskins was installed and his fez was placed on him by the First Lady and assisted by their daughter Debbie Moore Chitlangia. He was given the gavel of the office by Past Potentate Ed Graves. He told all the nobility some of what he intends to accomplish at Zamora this year and talked about the bus trip for Shriners Day at the hospital, the Call One phone system and closed by introducing the guests invited for this event.

The DeMolay and Rainbow Girls were a big part of the evening. These young men and women are very special and very important to Zamora. You will more than likely see them a lot this year helping the Potentate and His Lady with events they have.



If you weren't able to attend due to the rescheduling you missed a great evening. The newly elected Potentate with his new Call One was able to get the word out easily and scheduled it the best date available to him.

Thanks to all for a wonderful Public Installation, great meal and wonderful friendship.

Pat Gaskins





