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ZAMORA NEWS

From the Potentate...

Tommy McGhee

2016 has come to a close and so has one of the most memorable years of my life. I have thoroughly enjoyed serving as the Potentate of Zamora. I would like to thank all of my friends and nobles who helped us make this a successful year.

Everyone jumped in and helped with all of our Kids Party's during the year. The Children really enjoyed the Easter Party, the Fishing Rodeo, Halloween and the Christmas parties. It is so rewarding to see all of the smiles on the kid's faces at these events. The children are truly the reason we do what we do as Shriners.

Winston Each and his transportation team continue to do an excellent job and the Transportation Fund is in very good financial shape. Thanks to everyone for their assistance in helping raise money to keep this group in such a strong financial position. Terrell Yates and his volunteers working at the Talledega Races raised over \$20,000 to help this all important group. The "Annual Paper sale" has over \$34,000 to enable us to keep transporting the kids to the hospitals.

A heartfelt thanks goes out to the Clay County Car Show, this year they had a fantastic turn out at their show and donated \$ 30,000 to the Shriners Hospitals. Thanks to the many nobles and their ladies that participated in this very successful event.

A Big thank you goes out to the Zamora office staff for keeping the office running smoothly. Most nobles have no idea how many questions and requests come into the office every day. Sometimes it is helping to serve our needs or answering and researching questions of past nobles or other Temples. They have to make sure we are always following the Imperial guidelines (which is not as easy as one would think). They work with our numerous committee's to make sure they have the information to achieve their goals. They are also giving the Divan answers to many questions that pop up all throughout the year. They do a wonderful job and I would like to thank them for all their hard work and dedication.

Our financial position appears to be strong, I hope to deposit the entire amount that was borrowed from the protected fund this year. We had to borrow \$115,000 to get us through, but it appears we will be able to put 100% of that back into that account. That has not happened in at least the past seven years. The Potentates and Divans of the last several years have worked on numerous ways to improve our finances and it appears, we are finally starting to turn the corner, That will help ensure that Zamora will be strong for another 125 years.

I would like to congratulate our new Potentate for 2017, Tom Gaskins, and the other elected officers for the ensuing year. I have the utmost confidence they will continue to improve and strengthen Zamora for the future, Please join me in supporting our 2017 Potentate and Divan.

Tommy McGhee, Potentate



The White Rose Gala

presents:

A Mystery in the Wild West

performed by:

Wood Manor Theatre

We're gonna have a Rootin' Tootin' Good Time!!

Daughters of the Nile are hostin' the Shin Dig.

January 14th, 2017

at Zamora Temple

3521 Ratliff road, Irondale, AL

\$30 a ticket

admits one & includes:

Vittles, a Mystery to solve, Silent Auction,
\$500 in "Gold Nuggets" for Black Jack, Poker, or Slots,
and the foot tappin' music of the

Steel City Jug Slammers

Doors open at 5pm, Mystery starts at 6pm, music to follow.

For tickets please contact: donwhiterosegala@gmail.com

ALL money from Silent Auction goes to the
Daughters of the Nile Foundation
benefitting the Shriners Hospitals for Children®

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 or 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
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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.

Email

Confirm Email

Password

(Passwords must be between 8 and 12 characters with at least one upper case and one lower case letter and at least one number.)

Confirm password

- 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.

Dixie Shrine Club



President elect, Noble John Bullock presented the President's plaque for 2015-2016 to Noble Paul Leger for his outstanding leadership for the Dixie Shrine Club.

Paul W. Vaughn
Secretary



Dixie Shrine Club President, Paul Leger presents the Shriner of the Year award for 2016 to Noble Billy Russell.

November Cold Class



Matthew Wilson



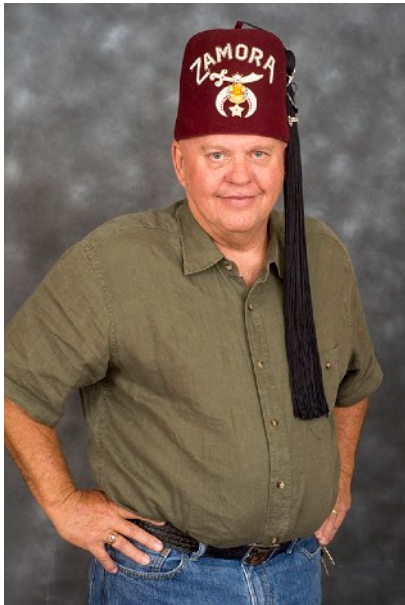
Lloyd Steven Bell



Gregory Seth Graham



Larry Wayne Mangum



Lance Randell Bevels



Joshua Scott Bolton



Glen Eldon Hale

Road Runners

In the month of December the Zamora Road Runners changed the lives of 16 Children.

In December Zamora provided eleven van trips.

10 trips were made to the Greenville Shrine Hospital transporting 11 Children.

One Trip was made to the Cincinnati Shrine Hospital transporting 1 child.

One Flight was provided to the Philadelphia Shrine Hospital for 1 Child.

Zamora furnished three rooms for families that provided their own transportation to the Greenville Shrine Hospital.

The Transportation Fund received donations from:

Tommy & Jackie McGhee

Mike & Lisa Moats

Dixie Classic Bike Club

Greg Gregerson

Jack & Betty Bacskay

Gene thompson

John Galbreath

Sherpower

Louis Lee in Memory of Brother Joe D Lee

East Alabama Ladies Club

Larry Fox

Perry Wheless

Ralph Weeks

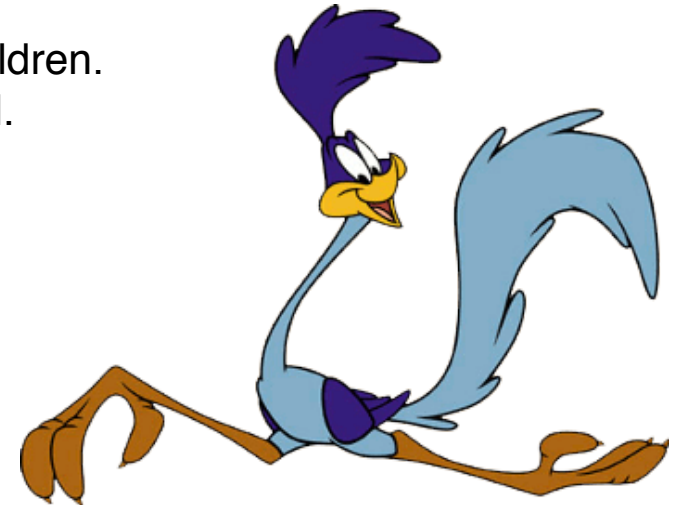
Gail Wood

PJHCB - Tags

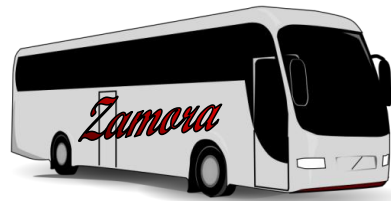
We have had a great year. I would like to thank everyone

who has donated to the transportation fund, volunteered driving, and participating in the kids parties.

Thanks Winston



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



The following Nobles are celebrating birthdays in January:

[Robert Van Hooser](#)

[Jack Dana Hayes](#)

[Wayne Edward Watts](#)

[Brandon West](#)

[Lloyd Stone](#)

[Harry Lowe](#)

[Grady Munkus](#)

[Timothy Vaughan](#)

[Lloyd Edwin Morris](#)

[William Bundy](#)

[Delbert McCarley](#)

[James Perkins](#)

[John King](#)

[John Elliott](#)

[Greg Durr](#)

[G Fred Slaney](#)

[Alfred Nygren](#)

[Jonathan Stiff](#)

[Gerald Walker](#)

[Oakley Patterson](#)

[James Nelson](#)

[Roger Lee Hicks](#)

[Larry Delynn Gibbs](#)

[James Waggoner](#)

[James Dutton](#)

[Jack BacsKay](#)

[Gregory Graham](#)

[Jacques Andre Frym](#)

[Erskine Funderburg](#)

[Charles William Davis](#)

[Don Dupriest](#)

[Christopher Welch](#)

[Randall Stanley Whitehouse](#)

[Harold Lloyd McGuire](#)

[Raymond Maglothin](#)

[Paul Kenneth Meserole](#)

[David Stewart](#)

[James Owens](#)

[Franklin Davis Haag](#)

[Sidney Glover](#)

[Otis Clarence Robinson](#)

[John Page](#)

[John Perryman](#)

[Richard Kirkwood](#)

[Mickey Parker](#)

[William Adrick Goodgame](#)

[Jason West](#)

[James Lann](#)

[Jimmy Kennedy](#)

[Roger Bates](#)

[Geoffrey Dudrow](#)

[Johnny Mickle](#)

[Arthur Parsons](#)

[Robert Larry Hand](#)

[Allan Hooper](#)

[Jimmy Morton](#)

[Jay Hickman](#)

[Jerry Self](#)

[Richard King](#)

[Billy Rikard](#)

[Michael Dlynn Miles](#)

[Harry Thomas Walker](#)

[Jack Barry](#)

[Samuel Leon Jacks](#)

[James Guin](#)

[Bobby Wayne Putman](#)

[James Sterrett](#)

[Robert McGill](#)

[Lloyd Bell](#)

[Moman Lehman Jagers](#)

[Bennis Gunter](#)

[James Robert Sills](#)

[Michael Bobyarchak](#)

[Samuel Glass](#)

[Daniel McGough](#)

[Dennis Berry](#)

[Michael Jinright](#)

[Larry Wilson](#)

[Paul Hitt](#)

[Phillip Oswalt](#)

[Charles Bates](#)

[David Blanton Kuykendall](#)

[George William Newman](#)

[Michael Moats](#)

[Carlton Hugh Cummings](#)

[Warren Shelton](#)

[Robert Hill](#)

[Danny Atkins](#)

[John Beasley](#)

[Benjamin King](#)

[Thomas Hogan](#)

[Elmer Bryant](#)

[John Wade](#)

[Bradley Parsons](#)

[Walker Dobbs](#)

[Donald Boatright](#)

[James Benton Fox](#)

[Jack Green](#)

[James Elliott](#)

[Thomas Jones](#)

[Sanford Suggs](#)

[James Sherbrook](#)

[James Brent Thompson](#)

[Roy Smith](#)

[Connard Branham](#)

[John Patterson](#)

[James Edward Prescott](#)

[Clarence Wright](#)

[Dennis Peck](#)

[Jeffrey Lynn Jennings](#)

[Lester Crowell](#)

[James Ray Jordan](#)

[Jesse Faggard](#)

[Teddy Brasher](#)

[Fred Arnold Kusta](#)

[Millard Graves](#)

[Kenneth Baker](#)

[Rodney Smith](#)

[Kenneth Scott](#)

[Plato Papaiohn](#)

[Kenneth Lloyd McGuire](#)

[Clyde Ray Smalley](#)

[John Walter Richey](#)

[Dexter Davis](#)

Let's all wish them a very Happy Birthday!



News from Cincinnati

We are excited to announce our new **Text-to-Give** for Mobile Giving!

You call it a donation.
We call it Love to the rescue.®

Text LOVE to 80100
to donate \$25

 **Shriners Hospitals for Children®**
Love to the rescue.®

Shriners donate today to support our mission. Message and data rates may apply.



Text-to-Give is a fundraising technique that allows donors to give directly to Shriners Hospitals for Children® — Cincinnati with their cell phones. Supporters can text LOVE to 80100 to donate \$25 today!

Text-to-Give utilizes a form of technology that most donors use on a daily basis. Since texting has now become a preferred mode of communication among donors of ALL ages, it makes perfect sense to incorporate text-to-give in to our fundraising strategy to benefit Shriners Hospitals for Children — Cincinnati!

Please promote mobile giving at meetings, special events, and through your passionate work for Shriners Hospitals for Children — Cincinnati!

**Contact Donor Development
at 513-872-6118 if you have
any questions!**

Shriners Hospitals for Children® — Cincinnati is one of only four freestanding hospitals in the country dedicated to the treatment of pediatric burns and specializing in plastic and reconstructive surgery. Our physicians' experience and expertise in pediatric burn treatment, cleft lip and palate, complex wound and skin conditions, and plastic and reconstructive surgery makes Shriners Hospitals for Children — Cincinnati a first choice for care.

Conditions Treated

Burns
Cleft Lip & Palate
Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery
Complex Wounds & Skin Conditions

*All Services Provided Regardless of
a Family's Ability to Pay*


Shriners Play a Big Role in Referrals

When it comes to finding medical help for children, Shriners are now more important than ever. Members of the fraternity have always played a critical role in helping families in their communities get connected with Shriners Hospitals for Children — Cincinnati, and now it has become even easier with a website and referral cards.

Website

Shriners Hospitals for Children — Cincinnati continues to make referring a patient and obtaining an appointment for care easier than ever through the **www.shrinershospitalcincinnati.org** website. Every page has a Schedule an Appointment and a Contact Us feature; both are easy forms that families can complete and submit online directly to the hospital.

Follow us on Facebook:

 <https://www.facebook.com/ShrinersHospitalCincinnati>

If you know a child we can help, go to shrinershospitalcincinnati.org or call:

Burn and Emergency Services
866-947-7840

Plastic Surgery Services
855-206-2096

2017 Election Night



Tom Gaskins is elected the 2017 Potentate

Tom Gaskins - "We are going to have a great year. We are going to put in allot of new plans and some additional cost savings, along with some additional fundraisers so that we can balance our budget next year. The main goal for next year is to balance the budget and to have a positive cash flow. We are going to bring in two more gun shows this year, as well as an onion sale." When asked about the outgoing potentate, Tommy said "he's had a great year, if we don't put all the money back into the protective fund he will be very close to it. So he had a very productive year and hopefully we can as well. Tom said that he enjoyed serving under Tommy's leadership and that he was a good leader. "Frankly I think we have allot of good leaders up here. We just need to take the time to make the right decisions."

Pat Gaskins said that she is looking forward to the "nobility working together and having fun."



Tommy is all smiles

Tommy McGhee - "I feel great, Relieved and happy. I'm proud of all the hard work of all the Nobles. When I have a project they just jump in and get it done. That's the biggest thing, is that we're a team. I wish Tom the best of luck. He has a great team and they have a lot of great ideas and they'll keep us moving in the right direction"

Jackie McGhee - It was a wonderful experience. Tommy and I have so many great memories of the year and of all the people that helped us make it a successful. Nobody does it alone so we just appreciate those folks helping us along. She feels that it was an "honor to have served" and be ambassadors for the Zamora Shrine. Jackie said she is looking forward to next years projects at home but she and Tommy will still be around as active members.

Don Baker retires as the Recorder

Don Baker - "I have given up the job as Recorder, it's been a great three years. But I wanted to stay on in some capacity. Kirk Pearson nominated me to be on the finance committee. I am looking forward to staying in the loop and working with the finance committee and Divan. It's been a great three years and I have learned allot about the Shrine and about the international Shrine bylaws. I met allot of people from all over the Southeast from other temples and I got to know a majority of the in the Zamora Shrine Temple. The new Recorder is going to be John Akers. John Akers is a very personal good friend of mine, I've known him for thirty something years and we had served together in the military. I know John is a strict military type guy who will do his best to go by the bylaws. John's a good man, Johns going to do a good job."

John Akers is elected as the Recorder

John Akers - "I'm looking forward to (serving as Recorder) I've been a member of the Zamora shrine for over 37 years. I look forward to working with the incoming Potentate and the Divan. I am asking for the support of all the Nobles. John said his goal for the year is "to do no less than what my predecessors have done and try to set the standard higher for whoever follows me." When asked about the outgoing recorder John said "Don and I have known each other for over 30 years and we served together in the Alabama Air National Guard. I was proud to be there the day that he became a master mason and I cosigned his petition to become a member of the Zamora shrine"



Al Wortham - "I am very excited" and "looking forward to a great future with Zamora. I have been here 34 years and I love each and everything about this place." When asked about what he looked forward to next year Al replied "Balancing the budget it is the main objective around here and cutting down on some of the expenses."

Jerry Wayne Thomas - "I'm excited, I'm very excited because I'm assistant Rabban. We got big plans for next year and it's going to be a good year."



Tim Vaughn - "I feel very honored that my brothers saw fit enough to put me in the office of the elected Divan. I'm going to do my best to make things fun and functional to get things done around here. Philanthropy and helping the kids are my biggest points of order"

Zamora Christmas Parties













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" It is not the critic who counts: not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles or where the doer of deeds could have done better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the Arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood, who strives valiantly, who errs and comes up short again and again, because there is no effort without error or shortcoming, but who knows the great enthusiasms, the great devotions, who spends himself for a worthy cause; who, at the best, knows, in the end, the triumph of high achievement, and who, at the worst, if he fails, at least he fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who knew neither victory nor defeat." President Theodore Roosevelt speech at the Sorbonne Paris, April 23, 1910.