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ZAMORA NEWS

From Your Potentate...

Tom Gaskins

We kicked off the month of February with a well attended Super Bowl LI party sponsored by the motorized group. Two big screens and one was 8'4" x 14'6" and was constructed by Terrell & Susan Yates plus Noble Brian Fields. The football players were almost life size. Thank you for the hard work and the effort it took to make it and bring it to Zamora. Thanks also go to the kitchen chef and all the workers that day. They went non-stop all day long until clean up was completed.

The 15th of the month we had our Membership and Paper Sale Kickoff. It was well attended and received. We had over 119 people there and they had a wonderful Greek chicken dinner prepared by Dwayne Parker. Our own Zamora Divan Ladies and the First Lady's Aides served everyone a delicious dinner and helped clean up. Great job to the kitchen chef, all of his helpers and the Zamora ladies.

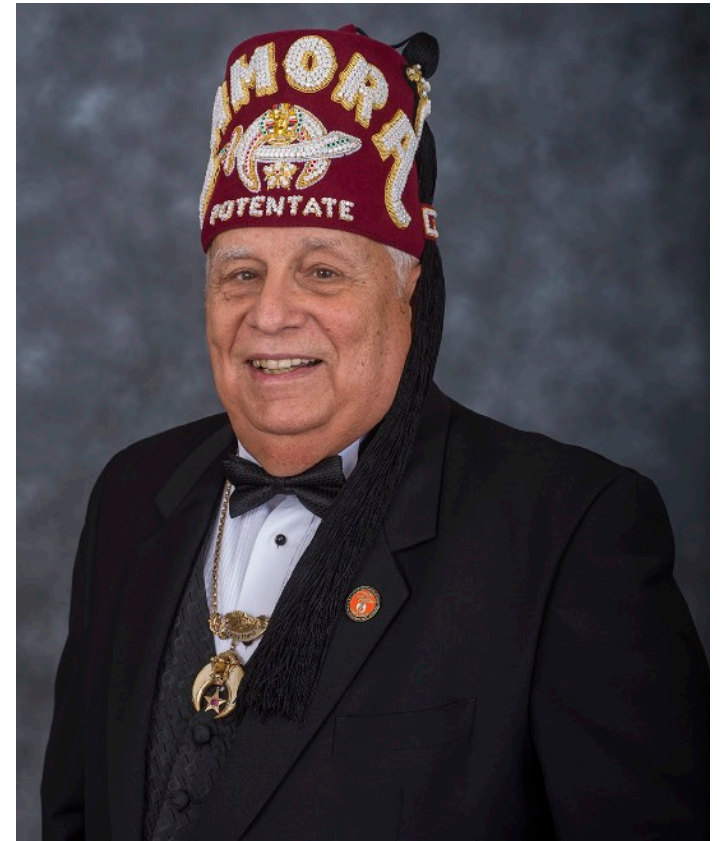
We were blessed to have 3 of our hospital patients and their parents attend the meeting and speak to our nobility. If you weren't there I can honestly say you really missed some truly inspirational testimonials by our hospital patients parents. Resonated with all us big boys... That evening we also had Sam and Mildred Suggs from the Clay County Car Show in attendance along with Travis Price and his Lady Bobbie. Thank each of you for coming.

At the Membership & Paper Sale kickoff Lee Yarbrough and Tim Vaughan gave excellent presentations. Let's all get in behind them and make this year excel. They will both be working diligently and it would be a shame if we didn't do the same.

The 15th of February we brought out the new Zamora 2017 Calendar & Directory to the nobility. They have them in the office, I have them in my office. The Recorder, Chief and Assistant Aide should also have them or can get them. Will also deliver some to the directors meeting so you can give to the members. A couple new lay outs inside. Hope you like the change. Put one in your pocket!

Since the Public Installation I have appointed Noble Charley Pope to the position of Second Ceremonial Master. His ladies name is Debbie. Welcome aboard Charley & Debbie.

The Daughters of the Nile honored the First Lady with a White Rose Tea on February 19th and it was really nice. The Divan was invited. I want to take this time to thank them for honoring my Lady with such a nice gesture. Afterwards Pat told me that 11 Past Potentates Ladies attended and that 76 attended in total. She was really quite pleased so many of her friends came to share such a great day with her. They also went to the Hewitt North Birmingham Lodge #519 a couple nights before.



Zamora was well represented at the Dixie Mid-Winter held in Mississippi. I appreciate everyone taking time out of their busy schedule and attending. Al Menah Temple in Nashville, TN has joined and will be competing at the Dixie in May. Spring is almost upon us. Let's get into the practice mode and I need to hear the different Units motors running on the practice drill field outside my office.

Speaking of the Dixie let's move forward. The Dixie is May 17th-20th at Panama City, FL. Zamora will be staying at the Days, Inn, 1-850-233-3333. We have a block of 50 rooms. Call the hotel to book your own reservations, 2 day minimum stay, and pay your registration to Zamora. Forms can be printed off the Dixie Shrine Association website or gotten at Zamora. April 15th is the deadline to book a blocked room (lower rate). The Wednesday night there they have a nice Welcome Party at pool side. The entire booklet with agenda can also be printed on Dixie website.

Still moving ahead... Our Spring County Cash is scheduled April 22nd. Tickets are already being sold. Let's plan on selling out by the middle of March. Have you gotten yours?.....

The Call One phone calling I initiated the beginning of this year seems to meet everyone's approval except those 25 - 30 that I do not have good phone numbers for. If you are not receiving the phone calls and reading this call the office and please ask them to put your good number in the system and in my box and I'll remedy that situation. If you hear of a noble not getting called please have them do the same. I would love to reach every Shriner at Zamora in a couple of weeks.

Speaking of every noble at Zamora 2017 Dues are due If you haven't paid yours yet please be sure and do so. Send in your check or call the office and they can charge them.

Speaking of every noble at Zamora 2017 Dues are due If you haven't paid yours yet please be sure and do so. Send in your check or call the office and they can charge them. Vidalia Onions are headed our way the later part of April. We will be getting the late crop as they are meatier and the onion will last so much longer. We used some pull from another Shrine Temple to get us open for the late crop with the best onion producing farm company. With that said we need to make a good showing with this company. This late crop is just a better onion to buy. They are coming in 5# and 10# bags. Pre Sales cutoff date is March 20th. For this Onion Sale, I have committed to pay the Units 25% of their onion sales from the net profit of the Onion Sales. Unit Directors here is your chance to SHRINE & SHINE and make some \$\$ for your Unit. The Top Selling Unit will be recognized at year end.

On the subject of Unit Directors... Directors this newsletter is your way to get out information about the Unit to all the nobility. Use it as a working tool to educate the nobility as to what is occurring, what you guys did last month and what you are going to do in the future. That is one way prospective members are going to notice as to whether you have an active unit or not. They may make their decision as to whether or not they want to be a member. Nick is doing a fantastic job but you have got to help him. Set a goal to get an article in at least each quarter. If you can't then please appoint a member each time to write it. This Newsletter belongs to each member to use monthly.

I really hate that we had to cancel the coach bus for the bus trip to Shriners Day at Greenville, SC. I understand we are all still going only in our own cars and some are car pooling. Hope to see all of you there showing Zamora support to our Past Potentate Illustrious Greg Gregerson. Hotel is the Wingate by Wyndham 1-864-288-1200 at 246 Congaree Rd, Greenville, SC. 29607. The address to the hospital is 950 Faris Road, Greenville, SC. 29605. Be sure and bring your fez with you to the hospital. When we finished lunch at the hospital Saturday please make your way to the lobby of the hospital for a group picture. We will try to take one on the steps leading to the 2nd floor.

On the Zamora Shriners website there is a flyer inside this March 2017 Zamora Newsletter about the Self Defense and Survival class the First Lady has set up with Noble Soke Dave Shelton for April 30th, Sunday 2 pm to 3:30 pm. He has agreed to give his time and attention to our ladies. Please encourage your lady to attend. Doesn't cost anything and a Lady might learn something that could possibly save her life. She is also welcome to bring a friend, family member or coworker. If any questions call the First Lady Pat 205-715-9743 or Soke at 205-999-6668.

Zamora Kudos for the month of February go to everyone that helped in each and every capacity even those that stooped to pick up that piece of paper in the foyer. Great Month and just going to get even better. Remember..... "There's A Little Volunteer in Every Shriner".

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Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
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5	6 <i>Unit Meetings</i>	7	8	9 <i>NW Alabama and Gadsden Shrine Club meet</i>	10 <i>Prvivate Rental Walker County Shrine Club meets</i>	11 <i>Private Rental</i>
12	13 <i>Unit Meetings West Alabama Shrine Club meet</i>	14	15 <i>Dixie Shrine Club meets</i>	16	17 <i>Private Rental</i>	18 <i>Private Rental</i>
19 <i>Drift Temple</i>	20 <i>Coosa Valley Shrine Club meets</i>	21	22	23 <i>East Alabama and Gadsden Shrine Club Meet</i>	24	25 <i>Repticon Rental</i>
26	27 <i>Repticon Rental</i>	28	29	30	31	

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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Zamora Shrine Center
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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**



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**

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- 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.

The story behind the Potentate and First Ladies Pins



Your Illustrious Sir Potentate's pin and the First Ladies pin started with wanting a little bit of Orange in each and yet wanting the nobility and their ladies proud to still wear them. They had to tell a story, show affection as to what a Shriner stands for and yet had to be fun.

The First Lady had designed doubloons for Mardi Gras in New Orleans several years and told him she would like to design them. He agreed so she took pencil to paper as the Potentate told her what he wanted on his pin. She wore out an eraser until she got it just right. The Potentate came up with his slogan "There's a Little Volunteer in every Shriner" and that is so true. Shriners Volunteer to do it all and the Potentate also saw the humor in the statement (if you wonder why then you really don't know your Potentate this year). Some of his Shrine buds have been really worried over what color shirts he was going to have and what his pins were going to look like for several months so he just had to rebound with some humor. He almost came up with a checkerboard border... (kidding).....

"HELPING KIDS" is serious business with him. He's been a Shriner since 1978 and he has always put this in the top part of his list of things to do. He wanted this on his pin so others will keep in the top part of their list too.

Under Zamora and at the bottom of the crescent what you will see is a child with a crutch. This crescent represents with its shape the umbrella that protects that child in each and every way a Shriner can make possible.

The First Ladies pin is another story. Hers is comical but carries a slogan she feels from the heart and has for well over 35 years. "There is Nuttin Finer Than A Shriner". All thoughShe has been known to add "Unless He's a Shriner from Tennessee". That kinda puts her Shriner at the top of the list. He had been given this adorable Tootsie Pop cookie jar from their son, daughter in law and their family several years ago. He is an adorable happy little fella and he was sitting on the counter and grinned at her one morning and her pin took off from there. She knew she wanted him to have a big ole smile, big ole heart that had busted out of his suit, his fez and standing tall, (sorta), Proudly! Mainly he had to carry the big ole heavy slogan "There is Nuttin Finer Than A Shriner".

In the First Ladies heart a Shriner wellHe Volunteers his time, gives his money, supports his masonic lodge, loves his lodge and Shrine brothers as no one else can understand, protects each other's wives and children, supports his Shrine Center and Volunteers any where he is needed to get the job accomplished. He is part of a Fraternity of brothers that is so strong in love, faith and in God. There truly is "Nuttin Finer Than A Shriner".

She hopes this pin lets every Shriner know how much she appreciates each one of them and for the goodness that they stand for. They are wonderful men with huge hearts.



Ladies Self-Defense and Survival Class

Sunday April 30, 2017

2:00 PM – 3:30 PM

Zamora Shrine Temple

Free Class
to be given
by Soke

Ladies Ages 12 and Up

The Instructor, Soke Dave Shelton, is a 10th 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

Road Runners Report

January 2017 we had 11 Van trips

1 Trip to Cincinnati transported
7 Trips to Greenville transported
1 Flight to Philadelphia transported

Furnished 1 Room Greenville

The Zamora Shriners changed 15 lives

1 Child
12 Children
1 Child

1 Child

The Transportation Fund Received Donations in
January 2017

Eric Oller
Sherpower
Football Boards
Donation Box
Donation Box
Imogene Breeze
Thanks Winston Each



2017 Greenville Hospital Shriners Day

Nobles we have had to cancel the bus portion of the trip to Greenville, SC for Shriners Day. We just couldn't come up with the number of passengers it required to make it feasible.

We are still going and we will do as we normally do when we go to our conventions. We have a block of 30 rooms at Wingate by Wyndham-Haywood Mall, 246 Congaree Road, Greenville, SC. 29607 (864)288-1200 We have 20 kings and 10 doubles being blocked.

Deadline is up until March 3rd to book on the group rate of \$70.00 plus tax. Any booking after that date will be at regular rates.

When you call to reserve your room, identify with the "Zamora Shrine Temple room block on 3/10". Be sure you give them that information.

Lets all still go. Double up riding with another noble or maybe caravan. Let us know if you are going so we will know to watch for you once there.

It's worth the trip and we will have a great time whether on a bus or meet there. The reasons for going is to go visit the hospital and tour certain functions and areas plus show our support for PP Illustrious Sir Greg Gregerson and Zamora. This is one of the best times to go as it allows you to see things you couldn't see otherwise and if you take your lady it allows her the opportunity to see it too.

Regret we couldn't get the chartered bus but we will still have a great time with the other Nobles and their ladies in Greenville, SC Information on schedule there is below signature.....

Let's be Zamora strong when PP Illustrious Sir Greg Gregerson introduces his nobles and Ladies from Zamora....
We could be the biggest group there!!!

Tom Gaskins
Zamora Potentate 2017



Schedule of events

All Events below are held at the Shriners Hospitals for Children
Located at 950 West Faris Road
Greenville, SC. 29605

Friday March 10th

6:00 PM

Hospitality* and Heavy Hors d'oeuvres

**sponsored by Hejaz Shriners*

7:00 PM

Performance and Patient Parent Testimonial by
The Statler Brother's Jimmy Fortune

Saturday March 11th

9:00 AM - 11:30 AM Hospital Update Greenville Shriners Hospital is now home to the largest team of orthopedic surgeons in South Carolina. Hear from one of our expert physicians about our Limb Deficiency program, as well as the testimonial of a parent and employee who shares how the care received here helps his son live his best life.

11:30 AM

Attendees will be divided into groups for tours of the Prosthetics and Orthotics Department, Motion Analysis Laboratory, Physical and Occupational Therapy Department, Operating Room and other points of interest.

Adjourn after lunch.

Paper Sale Kick Off 2017

In 1922 the Shriners opened their first hospital in Shreveport Louisiana. Today we operate twenty-two hospitals for children throughout North America, Canada, and Mexico. Our hospitals are state of the art and second to none, leading the way in treatment and research. Shriners Hospital for children gives all this care and treatment to its patients without regard to their family's economic back ground or ability to pay. The mission of the Nobles of the Shrine receives love from beginning to end.

I want to take a minute to say thank you to the Zamora Road Runners who transport our special kids to and from their appointments to the hospitals. Your dedication to our mission is most admirable and an integral part of great importance.



I also wish to thank the hard-working Nobles of Zamora who worked the Talladega races this past year. Your hard work and efforts during the races not only raised awareness of our cause, but brought in \$20,010.00 that went into the paper sale contributions from Zamora Shrine Center. Your hard work is a true testament to what a Noble of the Shrine is all about. Also the Nobles who worked the Lineville car show your efforts and hard work resulted in the Zamora transportation director Winston Each being able to present a check directly to Greenville hospital for \$10,000.00 during Shriners day at the hospital.

In 2016 there were sixty-nine trips to the Greenville Hospital made from Zamora, fourteen to Cincinnati, and two to Philadelphia. Total funds raised to support these efforts in 2016 was \$36,489.00. It truly was an outstanding year, but in 2017 we hope to do even more. I understand we have some of our units and clubs that wish to make a presentation of checks or pledges and we will take those now.



Our first speaker tonight is Kim Fowler the mother of our special Shrine patient Micah Fowler who receives treatment at our Greenville South Carolina Hospital. Next, we have Heath Watkins who is the father of Hannah Watkins who is a patient at our hospital in Philadelphia Pennsylvania.

Each of the Shrine Hospitals have a board of directors that help see that our mission of love reaches its fullest potential. We are very fortunate to have one of our very own Nobles on the board at the Greenville Hospital. It is my pleasure to introduce Past Illustrious Sir Greg Gregerson to say a few words on behalf of the board at Greenville.

This brings us to the main speaker for the evening. Shriners hospital for children is so blessed to have many outstanding personnel who strive to provide an environment of excellence and compassionate care for our patients and their families, while seeking continuous improvement and maximizing financial performance. Please join me in welcoming the Greenville Shriners hospital administrator Mr. Randy Romberger.

This concludes our program for this evening we thank each and every one for coming and supporting our mission of love. May God bless each of you , and good night.

First Lady's Message...

Pat Gaskins



Nuttin Finer Than A Shriner.....

The month of February was a great month for the ladies.....

First off let me say a big welcome to a new Divan Lady..... Debbie Pope.... Debbie is a super great lady so introduce yourself to her. Her husband Charley Pope is the newly appointed Second Ceremonial Master to the Zamora Divan. Welcome Debbie & Charley.....

I volunteered the Divan and Aide Ladies to serve all the Fine Shriners for the Membership/Paper Sale Kickoff and we volunteered in full force. All the ladies said they had a good time and the large crowd that attended all had smiles so we must have done good. Understand Donna & Shea were pleased the next morning when they saw how clean it all was. Ladies thank you for all you did.

On February 12th a lot of us all got to go on a wonderful date with our Valentine or great friends to the Dixie Shrine Club in Pell City for a Valentines Dinner. They had it decorated so nice and the food was wonderful as normal for there. If you haven't gone there you should as it's a fun place to visit and the friendship is remarkable.

The 19th of February is a special day. It was my Mom's Birthday but the icing on the cake for that day was the White Rose Tea that the Daughters of the Nile gave me. That Catherine and Nan Galbreath did the table decorations and they were beautiful. The colors were gorgeous. Speaking of color.. Wanda Bullock did a wreath that was huge in Tennessee Ribbon and orange and White curls. Someone said I could wear it for a tutu. It was that big. Wanda presented to me a beautiful tea or coffee set that was from all of them. Ladies you outdid yourself on the food. The table was full of beautiful plates of delicious food. Howard Newman made his world famous Pimento Cheese. Thank you to everyone that came. I appreciated all the time, effort and love put into your participation.





I want to extend a belated birthday to Marilyn Sills, Julie Fason and Debbie Pope. They all had birthdays in February. I am the only one in March and I barely made it as almost an April Fool baby..

I have arranged with "Soke" Dave Shelton to come and instruct a Survival and Self Defense class to the ladies of Zamora and our family and friends. The class is scheduled Sunday April 30th. He is a member of Zamora and President of the Coosa Valley Shrine Club. I like to consider myself a good friend of his and I appreciate his volunteering to do this for us. I don't know about the other ladies but I don't consider myself safe as I used too. I hope to learn how to feel a little safer and gain some confidence in handling situations that may arise. So look ahead. Put this date on your calendar and ask someone that you feel could benefit by attending. This is a FREE class but I think I'll put out a tip jar and Soke can use tips in what-ever manner he chooses.

The Zamora Ladies showed up in full force for the Talladega Mardi Gras Parade. They got to ride with their Noble if they wanted to. They threw beads and miniature Moon Pies. It was really nice to see so many Zamora Shriners and their ladies there. Watching the little kids near us showed me what effect the nobles and their equipment have on these little ones. They like the big boys and their big toys. One noble got out of his vehicle and walked to the curb and handed beads to this little girl standing there and around the neck of another. They did not know him. He made a difference though.....

That's it for now ladies.... remember "Nuttin Finer Than A Shriner"..... Unless He's your Shriner!!

First Lady 2017



10 EASY WAYS TO WRECK OUR TEMPLE

1. Don't attend stated meetings.
2. If you go be sure to be late.
3. 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.
5. 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.
7. 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".
9. Don't worry about paying your dues on time - let the other members worry about paying the bills.
10. 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

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.

January 1 -- January 31, 2017

County	Temple	Amount
BALDWIN.....	ABBA.....	\$ 41.25
BUTLER.....	ALCAZAR...	\$ 41.25
COVINGTON.....	ALCAZAR...	\$ 41.25
COFFEE.....	ALCAZAR...	\$ 41.25
LAWRENCE.....	CAHABA....	\$ 41.25
LIMESTONE.....	CAHABA....	\$ 41.25
CALHOUN.....	ZAMORA....	\$ 41.25
ETOWAH.....	ZAMORA....	\$ 41.25
JEFFERSON.....	ZAMORA....	\$ 82.50
MARION.....	ZAMORA....	\$ 41.25
SHELBY.....	ZAMORA....	\$ 40.51
ST CLAIR.....	ZAMORA....	\$ 41.25
WALKER.....	ZAMORA....	\$ 41.25
Paid to Abba Shrine Transportation Fund.....		\$ 7.43
Paid to Alcazar Shrine Transportation Fund.....		\$ 22.28
Paid to Cahaba Shrine Transportation Fund.....		\$ 14.85
Paid to Zamora Shrine Transportation Fund.....		\$ 59.27
Paid to Shrine Hospitals.....		\$ 574.42
Pd. To Hospital Program Since Nov. 1, 1994.....		\$ 846,608.48
Pd. To Transportation Program Since Oct. 1, 1994.....		\$ 185,850.75
Beginning Balance December 1, 2016.....		\$ 29.31
Ending Balance December 31, 2016.....		\$ 29.31

Talladega Mardi Gras



On February 25, 2017 the Nobles of Zamora Shrine participated in the Annual Talladega Mardi Gras parade. The weather was beautiful for the first parade of the season. The Zamora Nobles, ladies, and family members were well received as if they were returning to a hometown welcome. The parade was attended by the Potentate Illustrious Sir Tom Gaskins and Lady Pat. Other members of the Divan who participated included Chief Rabban Al Wortham and Lady Tammy, Assistant Rabban Jerry Wayne Thomas and Lady Tina, Oriental Guide Tim Vaughan and Lady Denise, and Recorder John Akers. There were two past Potentates in attendance Past Illustrious Sir Ron Patrick (2014), and Past Illustrious Sir Ed Graves (2015). The units and clubs of Zamora had a great turn out to show their pride in our fraternity. The units who participated in the parade were the Riders, Hillbilly's, Motor Corps, Dune Buggies, Scat Cat's, Directors Staff, Convertible Unit, Parade Nobles, and the East Alabama Shrine Club. Participants in the parade passed out beads and moon pies to the fun loving Mardi Gras revelers. A fun time was had by all and our organization was represented proudly in the community. This was the first of many more events to come in 2017, so stay abreast of all the events so you too can join in on the good times. It truly is a great time to be a Zamora Shriner.

Tim Vaughan
Oriental Guide





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On your first visit to AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), you need to select a charitable organization to receive donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping. We will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make at smile.amazon.com will result in a donation.

Can I change my charity?

Yes, you can change your charity any time. Your AmazonSmile purchases after the change count towards your newly selected charity. To change your charity, sign in to smile.amazon.com on your desktop or mobile phone browser and simply select "Change your Charity" in "Your Account."

What charities can I choose from?

You can choose from almost one million eligible 501(c)(3) public charitable organizations.

What if my selected charity does not register to participate in the AmazonSmile program or becomes ineligible?

If your selected charity does not register to participate, becomes ineligible, or requests to be removed from the program, you will have a chance to select a different charity to receive the accrued donations that have not yet been disbursed to your charity. If you do not select a different charity, the accrued donations will be distributed to other organizations receiving donations.

If I represent a charitable organization, how can I learn more about registering my organization for AmazonSmile?

Go to org.amazon.com to learn how to register your organization to receive donations.

How much of my purchase does Amazon donate?

The AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from your eligible AmazonSmile purchases. The purchase price is the amount paid for the item minus any rebates and excluding shipping & handling, gift-wrapping fees, taxes, or service charges. From time to time, we may offer special, limited time promotions that increase the donation amount on one or more products or services or provide for additional donations to charitable organizations. Special terms and restrictions may apply. Please see the relevant promotion for complete details.

Can I receive a tax deduction for amounts donated from my purchases on AmazonSmile?

Donations are made by the AmazonSmile Foundation and are not tax deductible by you.

How can I learn more about AmazonSmile?

Please see complete AmazonSmile [program details](#).



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