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# **ZAMORA NEWS**

# From Your Potentate...

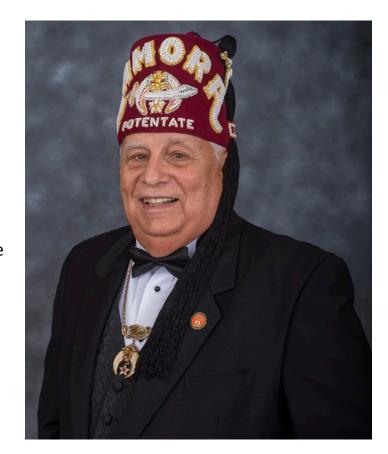
# Tom Gaskins

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Here we are...... January 2018 and I can truly say 2017 was a busy year. There isn't many days that I wasn't at Zamora and trying hard to cut costs and move forward at the same time.

We have had a productive year and hopefully I have made an impact on the expenses and the bottom line. Nobles, if we don't do this the Center won't be in existence as we know it very long.

I will soon be closing out my year and will have the final budget numbers available. I have worked hard to adhere to the initial budget results and add money back into our protective funds.



I was able to get the roof repaired without any cash outlay from us. We are in the process of replacing the tiles in the ceiling and removing any evidence of a leaky roof. Look Ethel... it isn't raining inside!

Thank you to all the Nobles that have come and helped support all the endeavors we worked on thru out the year. Nobles you can make a bigger impact with strength in numbers.

Please don't forget the <u>Call One</u> phone calls you receive are there to keep you informed of new information as it happens through out the month. If you choose to change how you receive them please contact the office and they will make the necessary changes. It is our number one means of keeping everyone informed to the degree of you being up to date and current on upcoming events and current issues.

I have to say what a way to enjoy Christmas this December. The Zamora Kids Christmas party was fantastic. The Shriner Hospital Kids, Shriners Kids and Grandkids had a fantastic time. Santa had a Workshop set up inside the auditorium with Elves. The kids had a blast................ It made our Christmas just watching the kids there.

My Lady Pat insisted we have a tree this year that was decorated just for the kids. I think she hit the target and went so far as to get a bull's eye. She hoped the adults would like but was only really concerned about the kids liking it. They were seen getting lifted up on the stage to get their pictures made by it. She made the Shriner Divan Snowman for the Adults and he was a big hit with the adults and kids.

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Remember the Service Men and Women that are in harm's way protecting us and our Country, so we can enjoy the freedom that they provide us. Remember our Nobles & Ladies, who are in the hospitals or sick at home. Please remember the widows of our brothers and our brothers that has lost his Lady. Please keep all these mentioned above in your prayers and just maybe even make a phone call, a visit or send a card.

"There's A Little Volunteer In Every Shriner".

Nobles and Ladies, Thank you again to all those that have supported our temple and Volunteered this year to help in the ways we know how to help.

Without you we couldn't get it done.

# **Zamora Fall Ceremonial The Sonny faggard Class**



Steven Antonio Stefanu



William Cameron Sanders



Christopher Mark Gaskin



**David Wayne Layton** 



Paul Barrett Edmundson



Stephen Howard Avery



Richard Allen Johnson



Kenneth Michael Lorick



Brett Eugene Lesley



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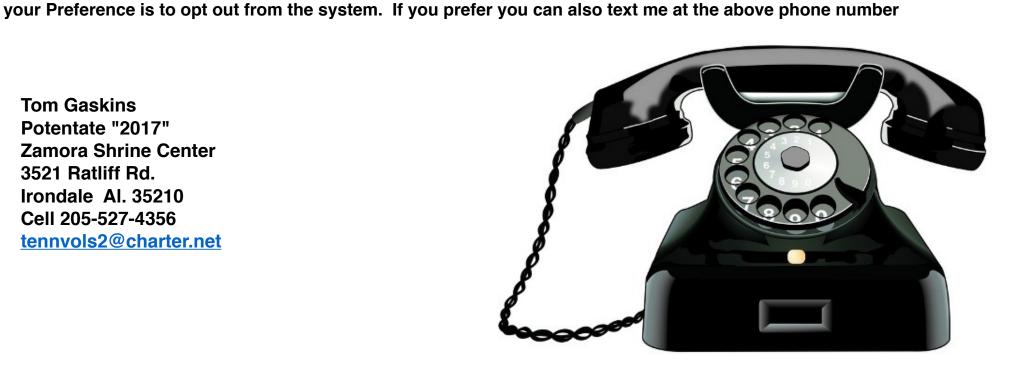
Joshua Lewis King

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

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### **NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS**



# 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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Confirm Em	ail
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(Passwords m	ist be between 8 and 12 characters with at least one upper case and letter and at least one number.)

- 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.

# First Lady's Message...

# Pat Gaskins

#### **Nuttin Finer Than A Shriner.....**

Ladies & Nobility this is the last newsletter from me. The year 2017 was packed slap full of productive work and fun plus some wonderful good times.



I feel we made a big difference in some hospital Patients lives. I was so proud of the two young ladies that the Wizard, Winston Each had on his arms for the Grand March at the Zamora Ball. They were proud beautiful young ladies and Winston had a smile on his face that I swear he kept on all night. I ask you to please never forget sight of the hospital patients and their needs.

I have enjoyed all the events we have traveled to and all the wonderful people we have met since Tom went on the Divan line. We have tried to attend everything that was made available to us and to be good ambassadors for Zamora Shrine.

I want to say a huge thank you for all the support and friendships from the Nobility and their Ladies. I hope you have gained in wisdom and knowledge of Zamora's in and outs as we have. It's a big beautiful thing to be a part of and I ask that you help do it proud.

To the Nobles and Ladies that purchased the pendant I had designed for the Paper Sale I want to say thank you. I hope you enjoy for years to come and will remember it's purpose.

The only thing that didn't seem to want to cooperate was Mother Nature. She played havoc several times on events during the year. Hope in 2018 and forward that she is a little kinder. I love my snow though and maybe some of the time she was trying to keep me happy!!

The Kids Christmas Party was wonderful. Noble Mike Lann and Lady Debbie went beyond what was anticipated by anyone and the party and all the makings was superb. I don't think I have seen the Kids ever that happy at an event we have held for them. The elves were the cutest things and the kids loved watching them.

Dawn Hill came to take the kids pictures. Dawn you are very Special to do this, and we appreciate you. I even got a couple made of Tom & I with Santa. Thank you, Santa Clause, for taking the time to come and join us for the party. I've seen that smile somewhere else though. I saw the neatest Zamora Divan Shriner Snowman standing by Santa and he photo bombed all of Santa's pictures with the kids. Debbie Pope, thank you for the snowman's Shrine scarf.

Let me add this little bit of information so it might make an impact on some ladies lives at Zamora. Debbie Crook in the office, Donna Hicks in the back and her daughter Shea are a big chunk of the backbone of Zamora. They give so much of themselves and allow that center to run smoothly. Ladies I call you my sincere friends and I love and appreciate each of you. Next time you see one of them please take the time to talk to them and tell them thank you.

My last reminder about the Smile Amazon. Don't forget if you order something from Amazon go thru Amazon Smile (smile.amazon.com) to order. It's the same thing only will benefit the Shrine a little bit.

## "Nuttin Finer Than A Shriner"

First Lady Pat 2017





#### **About AmazonSmile**

#### **Your Potentate and First Lady Supports:**

Shriners Hospitals for Children Change Location: Tampa, FL | Year Founded: 1922

Mission: Shriners Hospitals for Children has a mission to: Provide the highest quality care to children with neuromusculoskeletal conditions, burn injuries and other special healthcare needs within a compassionate, family-centered and collaborative care environment. Provide for the education of physicians and other healthcare professionals. Conduct research to discover new knowledge that improves the quality of care and quality of life of children and families. This mission is carried out without regard

Programs: Orthopaedics, Cleft Lip and Palate, Burns, Spinal Cord Injury

AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon with the same products, prices, and shopping features as Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to the charitable **organization** of your choice.

Every item available for purchase on www.amazon.com is also available on AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com) at the same price. You will see eligible products marked "Eligible for AmazonSmile donation" on their product detail pages.

#### What is AmazonSmile?

AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop at <a href="maile.amazon.com">smile.amazon.com</a>, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to your favorite charitable organization. You can choose from nearly one million organizations to support.

#### How do I shop at AmazonSmile?

To shop at AmazonSmile simply go to <a href="mailto:smile.amazon.com">smile.amazon.com</a> from the web browser on your computer or mobile device. You may also want to add a bookmark to <a href="mailto:smile.amazon.com">smile.amazon.com</a> to make it even easier to return and start your shopping at AmazonSmile.

#### Which products on AmazonSmile are eligible for charitable donations?

Tens of millions of products on AmazonSmile are eligible for donations. You will see eligible products marked "Eligible for AmazonSmile donation" on their product detail pages. Recurring Subscribe-and-Save purchases and subscription renewals are not currently eligible.

#### Can I use my existing Amazon.com account on AmazonSmile?

Yes, you use the same account on Amazon.com and AmazonSmile. Your shopping cart, Wish List, wedding or baby registry, and other account settings are also the same.

How do I select a charitable organization to support when shopping on AmazonSmile?

On your first visit to AmazonSmile (<a href="mailto:smile.amazon.com">smile.amazon.com</a>), 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 <a href="mailto:smile.amazon.com">smile.amazon.com</a> 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 <a href="mailto:smile.amazon.com">smile.amazon.com</a> 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.









#### New Year's Eve Party at Zamora

Folks we had a blast. So many of you said it was the best party Zamora has ever had and others said the best New Year's Eve party they had ever been too. Thank you for the compliments you gave us. We had a great crowd and lots of food.

Speaking of food, a big thank you goes out to Ralph Weeks and Lady Teresa-Lisa for cooking a great breakfast. They worked hard at getting that group fed before we let them drive away.

Chris Jackson thank you for coming and tending bar for all of us. We appreciate your help immensely. The tables were full of decorations and of course that Pati Cheney out shined us all again. She has a knack for decorating folks. Great job Pati it was professional looking and ready for a store front window. All the rest of our tables were great looking too. We all I think enjoyed decorating the tables and looking out there seeing the auditorium all spiffy was nice. Several Units did their tables and other individuals did theirs. Nice job by all.

The music, well Brian did an awesome job. He said he had a wonderful time and that the night went so fast for him. We knew he was perfect for New Years Eve and he was. How did you guys like that big ole blow up screen? Just love his set up, what he plays and his demeanor. He enjoyed his night with Zamora almost as much as we enjoyed him.

For both events we had this year that needed music we couldn't have done any better. I really think between "Endless" and "Brian Anderson" it was a beautiful year of dancing and music inside the auditorium at Zamora.

Thank you,

PP Tom Gaskins and Lady Pat



# Zamora Paper Sale Silver Medallion\_Order\_Form



PRICE IS \$100.00 (Only available for Paper Sale promotion)

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For The Noble a Lapel Pin				
For The Lady a Charm for a necklace or bracelet				
(Neither Chain nor bracelet is included)				
Payment method:				
Cash Check (make checks payable to Zamora Shrine Papersale)				

#### 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.



# **News from Cincinnati**

# Caiden's Story

Caiden and his mother moved to the rural community of Arcade. New York when he was seven years old. Now at 13, he has the demeanor of a smart, independent teenager, with a gift for learning things guickly. That includes musical instruments like the saxophone, piano or even the new ukulele which he has recently taught himself to play.

That same independent spirit led Caiden to try cooking french fries for himself one Saturday night while his mother Kimberly was out. As soon as she arrived home. Kimberly could smell the odor of hot grease coming from the kitchen.

"I could tell right away he had the oil too hot," she said, but by the time she got to the kitchen, Caiden had spilled the grease up his arm and chest.



Caiden with the new ukulele which he recently taught himself to play.

Kimberly rushed Caiden, who was wearing nothing but shorts and bare feet, also leaving her purse behind, to the local emergency room where they spent two hours with no treatment. Once seen. Caiden and his mother were dispatched almost immediately to Shriners Hospital for Children-Cincinnati for treatment of 2nd and 3rd degree burns on 16% of his body.

The next days were a whirlwind-"I remember riding this weird liftthing." Caiden said of the receiving dock where he was brought into Cincinnati Shriners Hospital. His mother has a clearer memory

of spending the first two nights in acute care rooms, then moving to one of the family care units. She is also grateful for the help they received with clothes and spending cash after arriving here with next to nothing.

As he waited to see Dr. Petra Warner, now on his way to full recovery, Caiden entertained the staff in the Family Care center with a song on his ukulele. At his appointment, Dr. Warner determined that he would not need surgery, just a return visit in two to three weeks for an assessment of one possible graft site.

#### 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.

#### Referral Cards

Referral cards are also a great resource that Nobles can use. These cards allow families easy access to hospital information and services. The cards provide hospital contact information to assist in scheduling appointments. On the back of each card is space for the Shriner's name and Temple. Please stop by the Business Development office to pick cards up, or call 513-872-6391 to have them mailed to your Temple.

#### Follow us on Facebook:



https://www.facebook.com/ ShrinersHospitalCincinnati

#### **Conditions Treated**

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

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.

If you know a child we can help,

go to *shrinershospitalcincinnati.org* or call: **855-206-2096** 

#### **USE OF CAMPING AREA AT ZAMORA SHRINE CENTER**

We have five (5) spaces that will accommodate travel trailers, fifth wheel trailers or motorhomes. These spaces have electrical hook up's (50amp or 30amp) and water. There is no sanitary hookup.

All spaces must be <u>reserved</u> thru the Shrine Center rental manager Ms. Donna Hicks. She may be reached by calling the Shrine Center office (205-956-3636) between the hours of 8 AM to 4 PM Monday thru Friday.

The spaces are numbered and will you will be assigned a specific place to park depending on length of stay. Unless you will be arriving during none business hours space will be assigned when you arrive. Park only in the space you are

assigned.

CAMPING FEES FOR 2018: FOR MEMBERS

BY THE DAY: \$20.00

MONTHLY: \$150.00

CAMPING FEES FOR 2018: NON MEMBERS

BY THE DAY: \$25.00

MONTHLY: \$300.00







#### **USE OF ZAMORA SHRINE CENTER**

#### COOKER

- 1. Use of Cooker for temple function takes priority over use by unit or club.
- 2. Deposit of \$300.00 when picked up is required.
- 3. Cooker will be inspected prior to being taken from temple.
- 4. Any damage to trailer or missing parts from cooker will be noted prior to departing with cooker.
- 5. Cooker will be steam cleaned before being returned
- 6. Gas bottles will be refilled before being returned.
- 7. Cooker will be inspected by rental manager, building custodian or Recorder upon return.
- 8. Cooker will be returned to storage area after it is inspected.
- 9. Cooker will be picked up and returned during normal business hours which are 8 Am- 4PM Monday thru Friday.
- 10. If cooker is cleaned, gas bottles refilled and no parts are missing or no damage to cooker or trailer \$250.00 of deposit will be refunded. If the above requirements are not met all or part of the deposit will used to meet the requirements listed above. If the deposit does not cover the cost then the unit, club or individual will be responsible for the remainder of the cost.
- 11. I have read and understand the above rules for use of Zamora Shrine Center Cooker.

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