

EL KARUBIAN 2ND ISSUE 2021

POTENTATE'S MESSAGE:

Lady Lisa and I have been running the roads and having a great time this year!

We went to the SCSA / Potentate's Ball at Barack Shrine temple along with around 12 El Karubah ladies and nobles. The theme was "Rolling out the Red Carpet" with an old movies twist. We all danced away the night and represented El Karubah well.

We went to Zamora Shrine Potentate's Ball outside of Birmingham which was the traditional Black-tie affair, and we were received and treated very, very well by all. Zamora has sold their property and they're currently searching for a new property, so all the festivities were held between the hotel and the Convention center in Irondale.

We're looking forward to attending Balls in Muscogee, Little Rock, and Pine Bluff also.

We got to meet the new patient ambassadors for Shrine Children's Hospitals during the Imperial Session in Houston, and we were all very impressed with our new young ambassadors. They seem to be mostly representing spinal cord and cleft palate hospitals and have some awesome stories to tell. I never realized that almost 3% of childhood defects were attributed to issues with the spinal cord. All the new commercials are going to focus more on how well the patients are doing now that they've been treated as opposed to the obstacles in their lives. The Bellamy Brothers concert was one for the record books! Outgoing Imperial Sir Jim Smith and several standing ovations for the outstanding effort he had put into his year and considering all the obstacles he had endured; we were all very impressed with his and Lady Alice's accomplishments. We'll see if our new incoming Imperial Sir Bill Baily can beat that great party!

The temple is still doing financially well considering the terrible time we've had with various plumbing issues and removing trees that had been struck by lightning. The most serious issues resulting from the great freeze of 2021. We've just recently experienced another broken pipe outside of the rental property. When I grow up, I want to be a plumber because they all seem to have a great earning potential! John Ayer has done an outstanding job this year of keeping our facility rented out as much as possible and that has made all the difference for us financially. I'd like to thank everyone who has supported this effort by making the facility presentable again prior to the next rental; which sometimes is the very next morning!

Thanks to everyone who devoted so much time to the 2021 El Karubah Potentate's Ball. Ladies Lisa, Frances, Elaine, Karry, Barbara, Dee and Marcy all did a spectacular job on the Decorations! The Provost Guard for the excellent Presentation of the Colors and the registration work. The Arab Unit for honoring me with the presentation of their cars. The Entertainment Unit headed up by Michael Blair and Lynn Arnold presented us with a memorable feast with all the sides. Farmers Seafood who donated shrimp for appetizers. The young men from Troup 40 who

scrambled to do anything they were asked. Thanks, Wanda, for all the great pictures, and Whit for the great job as Master of Ceremonies! The bartenders who stayed late to accommodate all of us. Glen, John, and the Arabs for getting the hotel hospitality room setup and broke down. All the ladies from the Daughters of the Nile who jumped in the middle of everything to help coordinate efforts and get the food served. The on-call Uber driver who ran until after midnight. The band, Ambush who kept us on the dance floor all night. Everyone did such a good job to make this a success and I'm eternally grateful to you all. We've had such great responses regarding the band that we're going to try and get Ambush committed to the Temple Christmas Party on December 11th. We'll also try to get the bartenders back too! They shook up some very nice martinis! This is going to be another great party and you don't want to miss it.

Dates to remember

Rib cook-off to September 25th. More details coming soon!

Spirits and Taste of Louisiana October 23rd.

Temple Party – December 11th.

Christmas Fez-tival - December 18th – 19th.

Robert D. Goodrich
2021 Potentate
El Karubah Shrine Temple

ASSISTANT RABBAN'S MESSAGE:

Well everyone it's finally starting to settle down and time for us to get back to gathering and having some fun. Adrian and I are working on a food, spirits and cigar event for the last quarter of the year since our cigar and bourbon night got cancelled.

Parades are starting up again so let's get back to getting together and having a great time.

For those that missed South Central in Monroe this year, you really missed a great time. Myself and Noble Jared Martin got 3rd place in the Corn hole tournament.

In 2023 South Central will be in Shreveport and I will be President of South Central so I will need some assistance from some of you. If everyone can help a little this will all be a easy and successful event. Yes I am making plans already for this event. If you are interested in helping please let me know as it is going to be an awesome time.

Bill Rodriguez
Assistant Rabban

HIGH PRIEST & PROPHET'S MESSAGE

Dear Nobles and Ladies,

We came into a new year with hopes and a little uncertainty, but now with widespread CoVid-19 vaccinations, we are getting back to a normal of gathering and visiting with others. I do hope our Nobles and families are getting vaccinated for Covid-19 as this is an important step to recovering from this pestilence. I have been vaccinated since January since I work in the medical field.

Our first event this year was to have an Easter Egg hunt open to all Masons, Nobles, their families, and the public along with a general clean-up of the El Karubah Temple grounds. The Easter Egg Hunt was cancelled because of the Grand Lodge Edict 2020-06, but the clean-up did happen. We had a small breakfast and a great meal of hamburgers, thanks to Nobles Lynn Arnold, Rick Christian, Glenn Hunt, and John Gustafson. Then, afterward some of us Nobels went up to the “Dragon Lair” and enjoyed fellowship and libations. From the Sandmen to our wonderful Nobles who came out and assisted us with this event I thank you so very much. We got a lot accomplished, but there is more to go as we would like to get more vegetation cleaned off the property close to S. Lakeshore drive on back down to Cross Lake side next to the fence that separates our property and fill in the swampy area on the west side close to the boat dock. If we could ask, if any of the Nobles who have bush hogs, and they could help us with cutting the heavy vegetation and foliage on our property we would greatly appreciate your assistance. I might throw in a case of cold beverages or a nice bottle of spirits in the pile for those who get the bush hogging done for us. In the not-too-distant future we will have another clean-up day.

The Vidalia Onion Sale went very well, as did another event, the Cinco de Mayo party. Moving into the Summer there may be a few Flash parties as the Illustrious Potentate has mentioned, so just be ready to come out and enjoy a nice evening of merriment when these events do happen.

Moving to the fall, on Saturday, October 23rd, 2021, we will be hosting a Louisiana cuisine dinner with tasting of Louisiana owned distilleries spirits along with a pairing of cigars. This is a Halloween themed event “A Night of Louisiana Spirits”, showcasing some of the Spirits made here in our state. This will be a ticketed event and opened to the public, so get your tickets as soon as they are posted, we will let everyone know when the tickets go on sale.

-- Adrian Winham

High Priest & Prophet

ORIENTAL GUIDE'S MESSAGE

Fill A Fez

We have a new program called “Fill-A-Fez”, to help with bills and maintenance at the temple.

This is where we gather with our Fez's, and ask for donations. It can be a single location, or numerous locations on the same day. It is up to you.

Like any business owners, our Nobles know that they need to help pay bills and maintenance.

Within our neighborhood, you see organizations setting up outside or in front of those businesses, asking for donations to raise money for their cause. Example: Girl Scouts, Church, Grocery Stores, Tractor Supply, Small town intersections.

All you have to do is ask. You will be surprised!

The Temple Recorder has the permission letter if businesses ask for one, and he also has a release form for the participants.

We have Safety vests for those that need them.

Get your Club or Unit's to help with your event.

John R. Cunningham
Oriental Guide

MESSAGE FROM THE RECORDER

The year is almost half over, and we are now going strong again. I can't believe how fast things are happening.

At the start of this year, we basically had to cancel everything due to Covid-19 still going on. We couldn't serve food, and we were still required to provide hand sanitizer, temperature checks, wear masks at all times, and maintain a social distance. We were able to finally have a regular meeting in May, and June under good conditions without having to worry about all that.

We had to cancel our Wine and Rose event in February, our Fishing Tournament in March, and our Easter Egg activities. All due to Covid-19 constraints.

On May 5th, out on our patio, we held a Cinco-De-Mayo patio party. Taco's, chips, dips, and assorted Tequila's were to be had by all in attendance. I would like to thank, Lady Lisa Goodrich, Bill Rodriguez and the Rodriguez Clan, and Alex Garcia for all the work that they did in promoting and putting on this event.

Onions this year, we handled differently than in the past. It used to be that the nobility would let us know how many onions they individually wanted. It led to a lot of confusion as we had a lot of left over onions that were basically double ordered. So this year, April 9th was the cut-off for ordering, and the onions were due to arrive the 2nd week of May. Well, this year, we took orders from the Secretaries only of the Clubs and Units, and if the nobility did not belong to either, they could call the temple directly. It was so much easier this year when the truck arrived. The onions ordered by the Clubs and Units were picked up in bulk at one time by a Club or Unit representative. We plan on doing the same next year, with the Secretaries placing the order, and a representative picking them all up at one time. To let you know, (JT) John Thompson lent the temple his fork lift, and Carl Delk off loaded the truck. Thanks JT and Carl for the efforts you put in to make this a great success for not only the Temple, but each and Club and Unit that participated. Overall, the Clubs and Units sold 1886 10lb bags of onions earning \$9042.00 for their Club or Units.

Our Annual Golf Tournament this year was held at Crooked Hollow Golf Course on May 29th. It was a success to say the least. I would like to thank Lady Wanda McNaughton for working registration for me, and taking pictures, and all the ladies that helped her. We ended up having 14 teams register to play golf, and had a lot of items donated for the auction. We had numerous hole sponsors, including

Stephen C. Caskey, Patrick's Gun Shop, Shrine Club of Northwest Louisiana, Sandman Unit, Booth Lodge, Mithra Grotto, Roy Havaman, Alex Garcia, Golf Unit, Arab Unit. I would like to personally thank Lynn "Hand" Arnold. He went out of his way to again pick up all the ketchup, onions, mustard, buns, and Down Home Sausage and cooked 3 cases for all the players and helpers. We couldn't have had such a successful golf event without all the helpers involved behind the scenes. I want to thank Randall Cupp from down south in Alexandria. Randall brought his Drone camera and took live video's of the Golf Tournament for us, and also stopped by the Temple and took Drone video's for us too so we could put them on the Web Site.

Well to let everyone know, just before the Golf Tournament was to occur, the 23rd of May, I found that I had double pneumonia and a mini-stroke. As my wife Sharon and I made it to the hospital, and was wheel chaired inside, I had a full fledged heart attack. I now have Afib, irregular heart beat, and am on diuretics and had home health care. Anyway, I am still recovering from this, but have lost 60 pounds in weight. I also am on a restricted diet of 1500 calories per day. I can't have any sugar, salt, potatoes, rice, nor any bread. I sure miss eating what I want. For a while, I was on oxygen, and got about with my cane, and while at the temple, I used a wheel chair to get about. I called it my mobile Whiz-diz! I worried the entire time about the Golf Tournament, but numerous friends made it happen for me, in my absence. Still I can't say enough about all those that came and helped to make our golf tournament such a great success.

We have embarked on updating our Temple Website at ElKaruah.org. After 12+ years, it is about time. It is interactive, has scrolling screens, and is computer, iPad, and phone friendly. It is a major undertaking, and will allow users to see what is available, and you can pre-register and pay for events in advance. We will be using this mainly for pre-registration from now on. I want to thank Randall Cupp for coming to our Golf Tournament and taking Drone video's, and also to the temple to take Video's for our website. So go and visit ElKarubah.org!

We've numerous upcoming events. At our temple meal on July 20th, it will be a western dress theme, and we will be serving hamburgers and chips, along with maybe hotdogs and chili. On the 31st of July, we'll have our Potentate's Ball at the Temple. It's a relaxed theme, from the 60's. No formal wear required. We sent out over 1000 invitations to the nobility to RSVP for the event. On August 17th, we've scheduled a Chili Cooking Contest at the temple meal night. There will be prizes awarded for the best, hottest, unique chili's. You don't have to cook it at the temple, but bring chili to be entered and served. On September 21st, we'll have our regular Stated Meeting, followed up on September 25th with a BBQ Rib Cooking Contest. On October 23rd, we'll have an event called "A Night of Louisiana Spirits", ran by our High Priest & Prophet Adrian Winham, and assisted by our Assistant Rabban Billy Rodriguez. This will be a fundraiser for the temple, and will

be open to the public. Finally, we've got in plans to have a Christmas Fez-tival this year on the 18th and 19th of December. I think that we'll have a great Fez-tival this year.

IN MEMORIAM

William J. Buffington
Charles R. Kelly
Roy G. Hicks
V. Clifton Humphrey
Charles D. Evans
John A. Allen, P.P.
Danny D. Hunt
Carl W. Pampe
Dave P. Burroughs

2021 SERVING EL KARUBAH SHRINERS

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Don Myers	Roy Barron
Glenn Hunt	Richard Shaw
Hardy Gain	Graham Hendricks
William Earl Hilton	John Wayne Walker
Bob Salts	Pepper Greco
Billy O'Neal	Palmer Long Jr.
Randy McCoy	Whit Graves
John Thompson	Tom Tompson
Danny Self	Joe Mullins
Robbie Primm	Don Lawson
Ronnie McCormick	Ernie O'Neal
Bruce Easterly	Shelton Reed
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George Etheredge	Mike Smoak
Don Foster	Jessie Campos
Roy Spence Jr.	Pete Vann
Carl Kjellerson	Clay Brister
Jerald Tarter	Jerry H. "Skip" Howell
Raymond Edwards	Joey Gauthreaux
Harlan Leach	

POTENTATE AIDES

Chief Aide Emeritus	Audie Lynn "Hand" Arnold
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James Dyess P.P.	Joel Sawyer
Jerry Chandler P.P.	Raymond Edwards
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Glenn Hunt	Ken Hatcher
Rick Christian	Luther Lee
Andrew Parker	Randy Dupree
Kelly Stough	John P. James
Shelly Horton	Graham Hendricks
Don Lawson	D. O. Self
Jerry "Skip" Howell	Joey Gauthreaux
	Tony Blake
	Nate Ussery
	Johnny Kemp

SHRINE CLUB PRESIDENTS

Cenla	Joel Sawyer
West Cenla	Danny Hunt
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Shrine Club of Northwest Louisiana	Melvin O. Fletcher P.P.
Sabine	Harlan Leach

UNIT EMERITUS MEMBERS

Alibaba	Virgil Trenado P.P.
Oriental Band	Billy O'Neal
Treasurer Emeritus	E. Louis McGee

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Potentate	Robert D. Goodrich
Chief Rabban	Kenneth Trichel
Assistant Rabban	William James Rodriguez
High Priest & Prophet	Adrian Winham
Oriental Guide	John R. Cuningham
Treasurer	Stephen C. Caskey P.P.
Recorder	John F. Ayer

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Bob Severance	Jerry Chandler P.P.
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Co-Chairman	Shelly Horton
Bruce Easterly	John Thompson
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A. Lynn "Hand" Arnold	

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Robert LaBorde P.P. Jerry DuBoise P.P.

PAST POTENTATES

1913-23	†	J. H. Roland	1969	†	T. R. Smith
1924	†	H. S. Weston	1970	†	B. J. Whitaker
1925	†	L. E. Thomas	1971	†	H. A. Patterson
1926	†	S. W. Mason	1972	†	Sam C. Wimbish Jr.
1927	†	H. H. Bain Sr.	1973	†	Cleve G. Heyl Jr.
1928	†	C. A. McClelland	1974		J. Bryson Brasell Jr.
1929	†	W. C. Taylor	1975	†	Jerry O. Price
1930	†	J. W. Grimmet	1976	†	C. O. Nicholson
1931	✠	A. M. Dreyfuss	1977	†	Calvin Reese
1932	†	W. B. Farrar	1978	†	E. L. "Blue" Archer Jr.
1933	†	J. U. Galloway	1979		E. Louis McGee
1934	†	D. W. Spurlock	1980	†	John F. McCray
1935	†	W. T. Mayo	1981	†	Roy B. Delaney
1936	✠	Phillip Lieber	1982	†	John L. Atkinson
1937	†	R. L. Gay	1983	†	Billy C. Sandidge
1938	†	R. L. Gay	1984		Bobby L. Breedlove
1939	†	John A. Walden	1985	†	J. R. "Jim" Osborne
1940	†	E. A. Shaw	1986	†	J. Travis English
1941	†	E. L. Holland	1987		Billy J. George
1942	†	George S. Sexton Jr.	1988	†	John A. Allen
1943	†	H. Kneeland Phelps Jr	1989	†	Gene Musgrave
1944	†	Cawlhan	1990	†	H. O. "Blackie" Blackwell
1945	†	W. J. Somarindyck	1991		Jerry Black
1946	†	A. E. Stephenson	1992	†	Tom Johnson
1947	†	D. L. Butler	1993	†	Clarence G. Ashley
1948	†	L. C. Allen	1994		Jim Vanderberry
1949	†	A. J. Vought	1995		Jerry Fowler
1950	†	W. Murray Werner	1996		XXXXXXXX
1951	✠	Paul D. Abramson	1997	†	James T. Kelly
1952	†	Percy E. Osborn	1998		F. A. "Joe" Rachal
1953	†	Claude A. Dance	1999		Freddie Altman
1954	†	C. O. Cook Sr.	2000	†	Ken Foster
1955	†	E. Clay Edwards	2001	†	Troy B. Yop Jr.
1956	†	Clyde Fant	2002		Danny Mullen
1956	†	E. M. Freeman	2003		H. Ed Durham
1957	†	Jack C. Williams	2004		Charles D. Peters
1958	†	W. L. Fisher	2005		R. A. McNaughton
1959	†	Reginald Poe	2006		Robert L. LaBorde
1960	†	George O. Baird Jr.	2007		Jerry Chandler
1961	†	N. H. McClamrock Jr.	2008		Virgil F. Trenado
1962	†	A. M. Phillips Sr.			

1963	†	E. D. "Ed" Clark	2009	Kenneth M. "Kenny" Hamm
1964	†	Fred W. Hoffmann	2010	Jerry W. Dubois
1965	†	M. A. Ehrharde	2011	William B. "Pete" King
1966	†	W. J. Howard	2012	Fred G. Gregory
1967	†	O. L. Steward	2013	James C. Dyess
1968	†	B. B. Rhodes	2014	Stephen C. Caskey
			2015	Andrew H. Stevenson Sr.
			2016	Robert G. "Jerry" DeFatta
			2017	Michael H. Blair
			2018	Bryan P. Moore
			2019	Donald R. Emmons
			2020	Melvin O. Fletcher

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UNIT HEADS

Alibaba	James Ward
Arabs	Joe Lachley
Bafoons	Don Myers
Cabiri	Danny Mullen P.P.
Camel Riders	Jamie Parker
Ceremonial Cast	
Clowns	Casey Hall
El Bajas	James Dalme
Escorts	Jerry Langley
Golf	Chris Musick
Highlanders	William "Bill" Cleghorn
Honor Guard	Harold Elliott
Kilted Dragons	Adrian Winham
Knight Riders	Robert Goodrich
Malaika	Jeremy Mathews
Misfits	Johnny Kemp
Nomads	Tim Osmun
Provost Guard	Billy R. Barns
Oriental Band	David Cravey
Registrars	Bob Severence
Sandmen	Jerry DeFatta
Shadracks	Karl Delk
Sheiks	Clay Brister
Supper Club	Danny Mullen P.P.

IMPERIAL REPRESENTATIVES

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Chief Rabban	Kenneth Trichel.

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Chairman E. Louis McGee P. P.

Ed Durham P. P.

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