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		1	Divan & Unit 2 Head Meeting Burger Nite 5-7 PM	3	4	5
6 Tea Dance	7 Monday Lunch 11:30 AM	8	9 Stated Meeting Burger Nite 5-7 PM	10	11	12 St. Patrick's Day Parade
13	14 Monday Lunch 11:30 AM	15	16 Burger Nite 5-7 PM	17	18	19 Hot Springs Trip
20	21 Grand Lodge Nashville Monday Lunch 11:30 AM	22 Grand Lodge Nashville	23 Grand Lodge Nashville Burger Nite 5-7 PM	24 Grand Lodge Nashville	25	26 Easter Egg Hunt
27	28 Monday Lunch 11:30 AM Ladies Day	29	30 Burger Nite 5-7 PM	31		

APRIL 2016

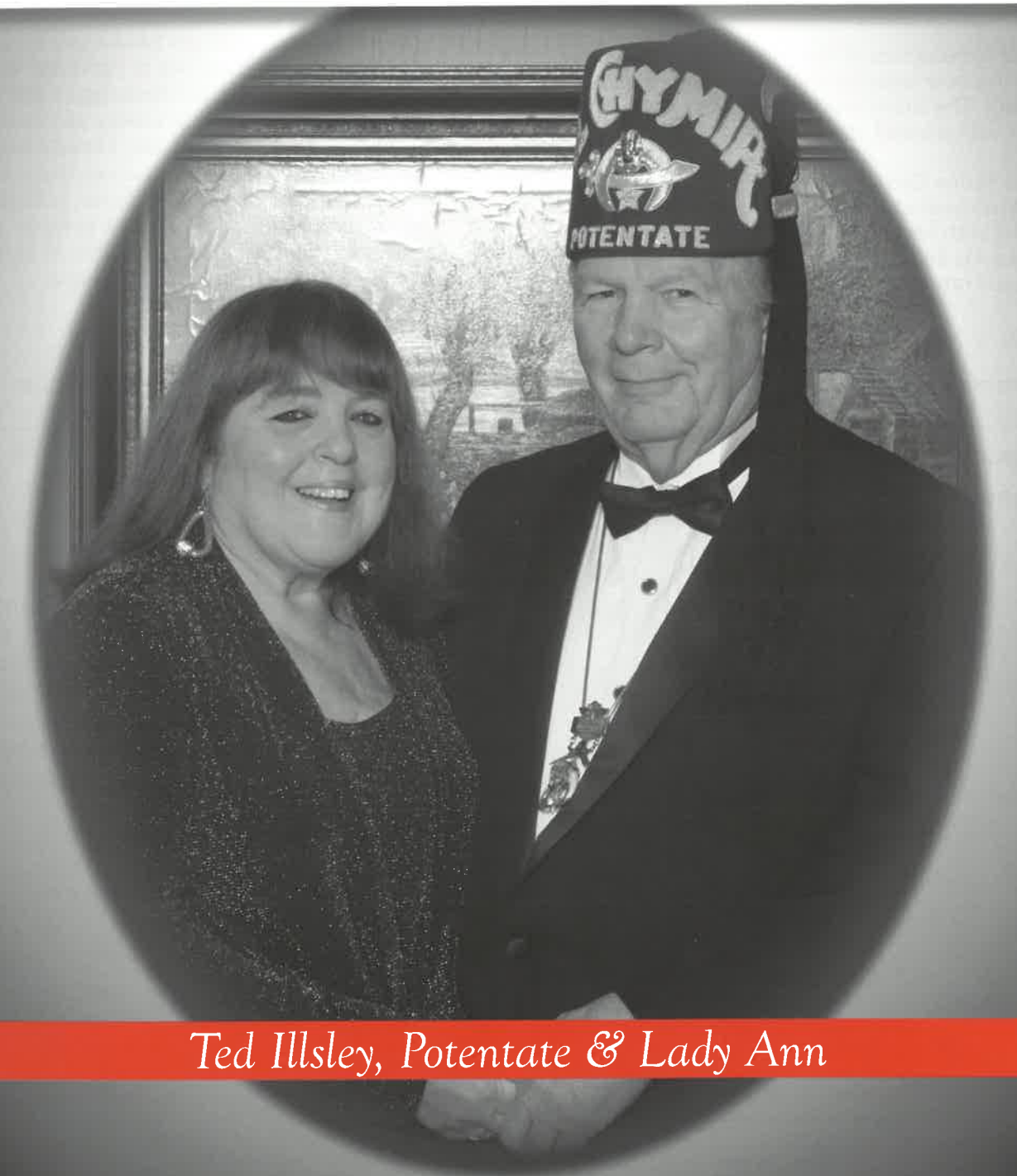
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10 Tea Dance	11 Monday Lunch 11:30 AM	12	13 Stated Meeting Burger Nite 5-7 PM	14	15	16
17	18 Monday Lunch 11:30 AM Cardinals vs. Cubs Game - 17-19th	19	20 Burger Nite 5-7 PM	21	22	23
24	25 Monday Lunch 11:30 AM	26	27 Burger Nite 5-7 PM	28	29	30 Ladies Luncheon

**LUNCHEON EVERY MONDAY - 11:30 A.M.
BURGERS EVERY WEDNESDAY - 5:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.**



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Ted Illsley, Potentate & Lady Ann

POTENTATE'S MESSAGE



I am taking this opportunity to thank all of the Nobility and the Wives of the Nobles for a great beginning of a grand New Year.

The installation dance was well attended, the band; The Bankers, were exceptional and generated a crowded dance floor. A good time was had by all.

The Super Bowl was an exciting event. I want to thank Jamie Appling for providing the video/audio set up. The downside of Sunday's game was Monday morning.

The circus was a huge undertaking and its success was due to the unmeasurable help and participation of the Nobility.

It is impossible to recognize all the units, clubs, Nobles and individuals in this new letter for their contribution to this successful event. The circus provider presented excellent performances with a broad array of arts and rides.

The Al Chymia Shrine Circus will be remembered by all in attendance. Mark your calendar for a Hot Springs trip March 19th, breakfast with beverages and snacks to be provided on the trip. The cost is \$60 per person with a departure time of 8 am and we will return after the last race around 10:00 pm.

Yours in Faith,

Ted Illsley, Potentate

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

MEMBERSHIP AS OF 12/30/2015 1105

GAINS:

CREATED	1
AFFILIATED	
RESTORED	5
ASSOCIATED	
TOTAL	6

LOSSES:

DEMITTED	1
SUSPENDED	
EXPIRED	8
ASSOCIATES DROPPED	
REVERSAL	1
TOTAL	10

MEMBERSHIP AS OF 01/31/2016 1101

RECORDER'S MESSAGE



Yes, this year is going quickly! Hopefully by the time you read this we will have had a great successful circus and have made lots of money. If you have not bought your circus tickets we still need your money. The St. Patrick's Day Parade is coming quickly, don't forget I need your insurance if you plan to be in the parade. Also, a fun trip to Hot Springs Horse Races. We plan to leave the Temple at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 19, 2016.

Will plan to see you at Grand Lodge just before Easter, then District Meeting. We are also planning a trip to St. Louis Cardinals & Cubs Game and Shrine Hospital. Leaving the Shrine Temple at 8:00 a.m. on April 18th. Get on board for a great fun trip. Our new Potentate and Divan are doing a wonderful job for us. Hope you have a safe and wonderful summer. Call me if you need me or come by. In response to the rumor of my moving to Mississippi, I don't know how that got started but I am probably no closer than I was 4 years ago to doing that. Yes, I have 2 beautiful granddaughters that my wife goes down there much of her time to help take care of. Should I move, probably yes, but I have too much obligation in Memphis to move at this time. So in answer to the rumor, I am probably no closer than 4 years ago. So everything remains the same.

Fraternally yours,

Jimmie Norman, P. P., Recorder/Circus Director

MEMBERSHIP CHANGES 1/31/16

RESTORATIONS

KYLE E. COLBY
JOHN M. DEDMAN
RONALD KENNER
DONALD E. PEARSON
TIMOTHY R. SNIDER

DEATHS

J. A. BARKER
ROY B. CHEATHAM
BARNEY WHITT DOSS
BARRIE D. MOFFATT
THEODORE B. SLOAN
WILLIAM R. TERRELL
BOBBY V. WEINBERG
WILLIAM E. WOODS

CREATIONS

STEFAN A. COBB

ASSOCIATED MEMBER DROPPED

DAVID A. WHITE SR.

AFFILIATED

DEMITTED

GARY RAY BOEHMS

SUSPENDED

DONATIONS

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12/7/15 EMBURY UNITED
METHODIST

SHRINE HOSPITAL

HOSPITAL TRANSPORTATION FUND

12/4/15 AL CHYMIA CLOWN UNIT
12/9/15 AL CHYMIA HILLBILLIES
1/9/15 ALBERT H. OWINGS
11/3/15 ALBERT H. OWINGS
11/9/15 ALBERT H. OWINGS
11/3/15 ALBERT H. OWINGS
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12/6/15 ALVIN AKIN
11/15/15 ARLINGTON LODGE #641
11/8/15 ASBURY METHODIST CHURCH
11/2/15 BARTLETT LODGE #216
12/6/15 BILLY & MARILYN POSTON
11/30/15 DAVID & CHRISTY WOOD
11/16/15 GRAND CHAPTER TN
EASTERN STAR
11/2/15 HAROLD & DIANE HOBAUGH
12/2/15 HAROLD & DIANE HOBAUGH
11/30/15 JAMES T. WOOD JR.
12/31/15 JERE GERARD
12/31/15 JESSE WHITESIDES
11/1/15 JOHN & VICKI O'BRIEN
11/23/15 JOYCE MATLOCK
12/30/15 LAVERNE GALBREATH
12/30/15 LAVERNE GALBREATH
11/11/15 MEMPHIS LAW DOGS MC
12/9/15 MEMPHIS RODDERS REUNION
11/16/15 NELLIE LITTLE

11/16/15 PAT ROSSER
12/1/15 RALPH & SANDRA MUENCH

11/27/15 RAY & JEAN HARVELL
12/8/15 RIPLEY SHRINE CLUB
11/5/15 ROLAND & CECLIA DINNING
11/5/15 ROLAND DINNING
11/30/15 RON & SUSAN WEIR
11/30/15 SUE WOOD
11/7/15 THE "Q"

12/1/15 WALLY BLOCKER

12/7/15 WALTER & DORIS FAST
11/23/15 WOODMEN LIFE CHAPTER 50
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FOR NOVEMBER/DECEMBER

**IN HONOR/MEMORY OF:
DONATION**

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PAULA COTTON
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RUBY OWINGS
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JERRY A. HULEN YOUNG
JOYCE M. THOMAS

LIVING PAST POTENTATES

Roy C. Nixon1977
Robert I. Stacey1981
Billy W. Miller1982
Raymond E. Harvell1983
Edward D. Morrison1986
Ernest E. Sutherland1988
Thomas N. Dickey1989
E. C. Jones1990
K. C. May1991
Thomas M. Brimhall1992
Gene L. McDaniel1994
Oscar L. Gilchrist1995
Albert Owings1996
John B. "Jack" Rendall1997
Robert E. "Billy" Conn1999
Ernest E. Sutherland2001
D. Randy Waddell2002
Charles E. Moore2003
Donald N. Lefkowitz2004
Shelby G. Berryhill2006
Jimmy D. Norman2007
Wayne Bonner2008
Herman L. Reviere2010
Gayle W. Percival2011
Tom Cross2012
John McFarland2013
Earl Wright2014
Jerry Taylor2015

ELECTIVE

Illustrious Potentate.....Ted Illsley
Chief Rabban.....Bill Hardy
Assistant RabbanWilliam "Bill" Smith
High Priest & Prophet.....Mike Armstrong
Oriental GuideDwayne Blair
TreasurerJoey Williams
Recorder.....Jimmie D. Norman, P.P.

EMERITUS

Treasurer Jerry L. Archer
Recorder..... Ralph F. Muench

IMPERIAL COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

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DIVAN

DIVAN



First Lady
Ann Illsley

Al Chymia Shrine Ladies Luncheon

"A CAT IN A HAT"

(Prize for best hat - optional)



Dorothy Hardy
Chairperson

Saturday, April 30, 2016

Germantown Country Club

HONORING FIRST LADY
Mrs. Ted (Ann) Illsley

CHAIRPERSON

Mrs. Bill (Dorothy) Hardy

ADVISOR

Mrs. Jack (Nan) Rendall

CHAPLIN

Mrs. Bobby (Jill) Westbrook

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TELEPHONE

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FAVORS

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GREETING

Mrs. Wayne (Cissie) Bonner

DOOR PRIZES

Mrs. Robert (Debbie) Totty

ENTERTAINMENT

Mrs. Donald (Dorothy) McDonald

PUBLICITY

Mrs. David (Shirley) Swaim

RESERVATIONS

Mrs. Toy (Jane) McCrary

Al Chymia Ladies Luncheon Reservation Form (Deadline - April 16th, 2016)

LIMITED SEATING

Name _____

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Please send me _____ tickets to the Ladies Luncheon @ \$35 per ticket. Total Enclosed \$ _____

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(Prize for best hat - optional)

First Lady, Ann Illsley

Dorothy Hardy, Chairperson

St. Patrick's Day Parade will be Saturday, March 12th

Line up will be at 1:00 P.M.

Parade starts at 3:00 P.M.

Line up will be at Beale St. & 4th.



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March 19, 2016 – We will leave the Temple
at 8:00 A.M. for Hot Springs – The cost is \$60
per person – Space is limited to 50 people

CALL NOW & MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS!



AL CHYMIA HISTORY

In 1933 the annual dues were fixed at \$10.50, plus the \$2.00 hospital tax. The budget for 1933 was fixed at \$27, 135.00. Among the candidates in the November 30th Ceremonial was Dr. Charles King, who became Potentate in 1943.

At the Annual Meeting in 1936, Noble George D. Sheats was elected Potentate and the budget for the year was set at \$20,105.00. On March 7th, Past Potentate C.R. McClure was claimed by the Black Camel. On April 8th, Al Chymia approved a proposed concurrent jurisdiction agreement with Sahara Temple.

In 1937, the Memorial Service was held on January 24th for all Nobles claimed by the Black Camel during the past year. On February 24th, Past Potentate Buford M. White died. On April 14th, Dr. J.L. Jelks was "tried" for alleged prevarication about his fishing experiences. He was prosecuted by Noble Lake Hays and defended by Noble Lee Winchester. Noble L.D. Bejach, serving as Judge, dismissed the defendant on the grounds that no fisherman was expected to tell the truth. In June, Potentate Lamar Brightwell and the uniformed units attended the Imperial Session in Detroit, Michigan. In 1937 the Shrine Luncheon Club resumed meetings after six years of inactivity.

Fred Sexton,
Temple Historian

EASTER EGG HUNT

SATURDAY

MARCH 26, 2016

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM



POTENTATE'S APPOINTMENT 2016

First Ceremonial Master	Commandant	Boosters Luncheon	Restoration
Buddy Bowles	Robert Carter	Past Masters	David Huey
			Jim Norman PP
			David Swaim
Second Ceremonial Master	Vice Commandant	Parliamentary Committee	
T.K. Tanner	Pat Collins	Jack Rendall PP	
Director		Larry Kern	Web Master
Brad Cross	Adjutant	Glen Pitts	John Fowler
	Bob Schumacher	Thom Henning	
Chief Ambassador			Children's Easter Egg Hunt
Neal Blankenship	Advisory Committee	Hospital Screening Clinic	Randy Waddell PP
Jerry Taylor	All Past Potentates	Randy Waddell PP Chair	Clowns
	Ralph Muench	Hospital Staff	
	Jerry Archer	Clowns	Hamburger Night
Captian of the Guard	James Roberson		Ann Illsley
Clancy Wilson		Public Relations	William Embrey
		Otis Griffin	
Outer Guard	Alchemist Editor	Jim Norman PP	
Giles Carter	John Fowler	Charlie Mixon	Temple Van Driver
James Enoch		Jerry Dye	Neal Blankenship
	Entertainment	Wayne Bonner	Divan
Chief Aide	Robert Totty	Pat Collins	
Chris Trim	Brad Cross		Temple Historians
			Fred Sexton
Aides	Children's Christmas Party	Insurance Committee	Charlie Freeman
Jim Baum	Clowns	Jack Davis	
Chip Childers	Director's Staff	Albert Owings PP	
Robert Conn		Larry Kern	Pool Room Supervisor
John Dedman	Chaplains		Charlie Freeman
Steve Feltman	David Swaim	Kitchen Committee	
Charles French	Joe Harrison PGM	Chief Aides	Masonic Relations
Ron Fittes	Jerry Hanson	Hillbillies	Jerry Hanson PGM
Billy Joe Gatlin			Bobby Henderson PGM
Dave Huey	Golf Tournament	Housing	Joe Harrison PGM
David Johnson	Mike Armstrong	Jim Norman PP	Mack Johnson PGM
Jack McCulley			Richard VanTassell
Elmo McDonald	Circus	Onion Sales	Sean Hamilton
Dan Melancon	Jimmy D. Norman, P.P.	Charlie Moore P.P.	Tom Cross
James Morgan			Glen Pitts
David Nutzell	Building and Grounds	Stag Bar-B-Que	Casey Hood
Dave Ritchie	Ron Anglin	Hillbillies	
Paul Russell	Dennis Taylor	Provost Guard	Donor Relations
Jim Slover	Harold Hobaugh	Directors Staff	Jerry Hanson PGM
Butch Stockdale			Randy Waddell PP
Robert Totty	Rituals	Barbeque Contest	
Denny Williams	Paul Russell	Mike Armstrong	Election Committee
Bob Schumacher	Glen Pitts	Elmo McDonald	E.C. Jones
Wally Blocker		Ron Anglin	Larry Kern
Alan Jackson	Master of Ceremonies	Hillbillies	Jack Davis
Marlin Beard	Brad Cross		Jesse Whitesides
Mike Davis	Steve Gibson	Temple Attorney	Joe Whitesides
James McCraw	Bill Smith	Larry Kern	Charlie Moore PP
Michael Ward			
Danny Benson	Membership	Legal Advisors	Parade Marshal
Jimmy Dickson	Dave Huey	Scott Lovelace	James Morgan
Eugene Gitter	David Swaim	William Tallent	
Bradley Hall	Sean Hamilton		Family Watermelon Party
Steven Jerden			Director's Staff
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