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Potentate Dwayne Blair and Lady Bobbie

POTENTATE'S MESSAGE



Nobles and Ladies,
 Wow! I cannot believe how fast time is flying by! We had a great time at the installation dance and the Super Bowl Party. Thank you to those that came out and made both a huge success and thank you to the Unit, Committee, and Club heads for serving in a leadership position in our great shrine. We also had a terrific circus with a wonderful turnout and great participation from all. Thank you from the bottom of my heart! None of this success could be possible without you. Please be sure to sign up for our trip to Hot Springs and St Louis. Both of these trips are open to the public and a great opportunity to show your friends and family who we are and what we do. I would also love to see as many as possible at the ceremonial on March 30 in Jackson, Tn. This ceremonial will be in honor of Noble Byron Cox. Byron has been a huge contributor to Al Chymia Shrine and has been instrumental in the survival and success of the Jackson Shrine Club. Please come out and help us welcome our new nobles into this great fraternity as well as honor Byron for his many years of dedicated service. Thank you for the support and participation that you have shown thus far and I look forward to a great year!

Fraternally yours,
 Dwayne A Blair
 Potentate

MEMBERSHIP AS OF 12/31/2018 869

GAINS:

CREATED	0
AFFILIATED	0
RESTORED	4
ASSOCIATED	0

TOTAL 4

LOSSES:

DEMITTED	0
SUSPENDED	1
EXPIRED	3
ASSOCIATES DROPPED	0
REVERSAL	0

TOTAL 4

MEMBERSHIP AS OF 01/31/2019 869

MEMBERSHIP CHANGE

RESTORED

- ROSS P BEARD
- JONATHAN P VALLEE
- ROBERT E WARD II
- ROBERT L WOODS

DEATHS

- FLOYD A CUPP
- MILTON HAYS DICK
- JAMES C WOELM

SUSPENDED

- JAMES W APPLING JR



Greetings Nobles and Ladies, I hope this article finds you in great health. The Circus is over and I would like to take this time to thank all of the Nobles and Ladies who came out to the Circus and worked this year. We truly could not have pulled it off without your help.

Our Ceremonial is coming up on March 30th, and we still could use a few more good masons. As we get started this year, we should be ever mindful that one of our responsibilities to this fraternity is membership. We cannot survive without new members. Look around your Lodge and talk to someone about what it means to be a Shriner. The cost is \$140 for a new Shriner. You can also look around and try to get some masons to restore their membership. They can do this for only this year's dues which is \$135. As a Past Imperial Potentate, Chris Smith has said many times, "Membership is very important at this time of our fraternity. If the red Fez goes away, then what will happen to our hospitals?"

The second responsibility that we have as Shriners is to see that our hospitals have everything that they need to treat the children whose lives we make a difference in. Al Chymia has a proud history of doing this by raffling off a motorcycle every year. Can you give a Wednesday night, Friday night, Saturday or Saturday night to help sell tickets? We usually get to Beale around 5:30 and then leave around 9 or so; it really isn't a lot of time when you think about it, but the \$600 to \$1500 we raise every time we go down doing this really makes a difference in the lives of our children we treat. Let's face it, the more red Fezzes we have selling tickets, the more money we can raise. I have been down there when there are three fezzes, and I have been down there when there are ten fezzes. It does make a difference in the amount of money we raise. If you don't want to go to Beale St., then on Saturday we usually take the bike to fairs, Walmart's, etc. We are asking all nobles to help if you can, when you can.

Yours in Faith,
 James "Bubba" Morgan
 Chief Rabban



Nobles,
 I would like to congratulate the Potentate, Dwayne Blair and the members of Al Chymia Shrine on a very successful Circus. It was great to see so many Nobles working together to get the job done!

I want to challenge all Shriners to come to the March 13th stated session and bring a Shriner or meet one there. I also want to challenge you to call someone you haven't seen in a while and ask them to come. We need all members to become active and recruit members, that is, new members, members who haven't come to a meeting in a while and members to be restored. We ALL should be working on membership! Use the trips and parties that are planned as a recruitment tool! Lets all have fun and grow our fraternity. If you have any ideas how to grow our fraternity or restore members let Robert Burroughs or myself know. Lets team up together "step up to the plate", and grow our fraternity!!!

Yours in the faith,
 David Nutzell
 High Priest and Prophet

Potentates Appointments 2019

<u>First Ceremonial</u> Buddy Bowles	<u>Commandant</u> Brad Cross	<u>Boosters Luncheon</u> Past Masters	<u>Childrens Easter Egg Hunt</u> Clowns
<u>Second Cermonial Master</u> T.K. Tanner	<u>Vice Commandant</u> James Roberson	<u>Parliamentary Committee</u> Jack Rendall, P.P. Larry Kern Glen Pitts Thom Henning	<u>Hamburger Night</u> Chip Childers - Chair All Unit Heads
<u>Director</u> Steve Gibson	<u>Adjutant</u> Barry Bates	<u>Hospital Screening Clinic</u> Gibby Thomas Hospital Staff Clowns	<u>Temple Van Drivers</u> Neal Blankenship Jerry Taylor P.P. Divan
<u>Chief Ambassador</u> Neal Blankenship	<u>Advisory Committee</u> All Past Potentates Ralph Muench Fred Sexton Jim Norman P.P.	<u>Public Relations</u> Jim Norman	<u>Donor Relations</u> Jerry Hanson PGM
<u>Captain of the Guard</u> Earnest Sparks	<u>Alchemist Editor</u> John Fowler	<u>Insurance Committee</u> Jack Davis Albert Owens, P.P. Larry Kern	<u>Pool Room Supervisor</u> Tom Cross P.P.
<u>Outer Guard</u> James Enoch	<u>Entertainment</u> Billy Hicks Jr.	<u>Kitchen Committee</u> Chief Aide Hillbillys	<u>Masonic Relations</u> Jerry Hanson PGM Charlie Mixon Joe Harrison PGM Lewis Johnson Richard Van Tassell Sean Hamilton Randal Lomax Casey Hood PGM
<u>Personal Aide</u> Chris Trim	<u>Childrens Christmas Party</u> Clowns Directors Staff	<u>Housing</u> Jim Norman, P.P.	<u>Temple Historian</u> Fred Sexton
<u>Chief Aide</u> Donald "Elmo" McDonald	<u>Chaplains</u> David Swaim Joe Harrison PGM Jerry Hanson PGM	<u>Onion Sales</u> Charlie Moore P.P.	<u>Election Committee</u> E.C. Jones Larry Kern Jack Davis Jesse Whitesides Joe Whitesides Charlie Moore P.P. Harold Hobaugh
<u>Aides</u> Alan Jackson Barry Bates Bill "Billbo" Goodman Bill Fuller Billy Joe Gatlin Bob Schumacher Bryan Fuller Bubba Strawn Buster Cox Butch Stockdale Byron Cox Chip Childers Chuck French Cody Gibbons Danny Milam David Goforth David Johnson David Sikes Dennis Lee Denny Williams Eric Wood Hermon Odle Jack Davis James Roberson James Stewart Jason Paris Jerry Birdwell John Dedman Keith Talley Larry Kern Paul Russell Robert Burroughs Robert Conn Robert Toddy Ron Fittes Roy Boyd Shane Lynch Steve Fullen Tim Curry Tom Taylor Trey Cleek	<u>Circus</u> Al Chymia Nobles	<u>Stag BBQ</u> Hillbillys Provost Guard Directors Staff	<u>Parade Marshal</u> Tom Taylor
	<u>Building and Grounds</u> Ron Anglin Brad Cross Wesley Johnson	<u>BBQ Contest</u> Elmo McDonald Ron Anglin Hillbillys	<u>Family Watermelon Party</u> Directors Staff Clowns
	<u>Rituals</u> Paul Russell Lewis Johnson	<u>Temple Attorney</u> Larry Kern	<u>Web Master</u> Earnest Sparks
	<u>Master of Ceremonies</u> Steve Gibson Steve Treat	<u>Legal Advisors</u> Scott Lovelace Jeremy Armstrong	
	<u>Membership</u> Robert Burroughs - Chairman	<u>Potentates's Escorts</u> Robert Williams Motor Corps	
	<u>Photography</u> John Fowler	<u>Restoration</u> Jim Norman, P.P. Robert Burroughs David Huey Bubba Strawn Randal Lomax	



SPRING CEREMONIAL

IN HONOR OF BYRON F. COX, JR.

Byron's Barn
3540 U S Hwy 45 N
Jackson TN 38305

Saturday, March 30, 2019

PROGRAM

- 8:30 a.m. - Candidates Register
- 10:00 a.m. - First Section
- 11:30 a.m. - Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. - Introductions
- 1:30 p.m. - Second Section
- 2:30 p.m. - Third Section –
Presentation of Fezzes



**LET'S GO TO THE RACES AT HOT SPRINGS
MARCH 9, 2019**

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OFFICIAL CALL

"In accordance with the bylaws of Shriners International and Al Chymia Shrine, you are officially called to the Stated Meeting to be held on March 13, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. for election to fill a vacancy on the Divan and Southeastern Shrine Representative and such other business as may be presented. NOTE ARTICLE 2, SECTION 325.11 OF THE IMPERIAL BYLAWS.

ARTICLE 25

Officers: Their Election or Appointment

325.11 Election Regulations

- (a) **Electioneering.** A candidate for an elected office in a Shrine temple may print, publish and circulate during the year he is seeking the elected office, a resume consisting of his educational background, his vocational history, and his Masonic and Shrine record. Except as provided in the prior sentence, the printing, publication, circulating or distribution of resolutions, letters, telegrams, tickets, email or other devices, by a unit, club, noble, or a group of nobles, suggesting, recommending, opposing, or containing the names of proposed candidates for office in the temple is prohibited.
- (b) **Expenditures Prohibited.** The expenditure of money for gifts, favors, or entertainment on behalf of a candidate for elected office is prohibited.
- (c) **Violation.** For any violation of (a) or (b), the Imperial Potentate may suspend any offending Noble, and he may declare the election of the officers void and order a new election.
- (d) **Notice.** At least one week prior to the annual meeting or any election, the temple Recorder shall mail to each member a notice thereof containing this section.

Imperial bylaws require a 2019 dues card to attend this meeting.

Dwayne Blair, Potentate

attest: Jimmy D. Norman, P. P., Recorder

Run for the Roses

Al Chymia Ladies Luncheon



Honoring Lady Bobbie Blair

**May 4th
11:00AM**

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Lady Bobbie Blair

DID YOU KNOW?

Imperial Potentate Jim Cain gave the following Nobles from Al Chymia Shrine Temple appointments to the Imperial Staff for his tenure as Imperial Potentate.

Election Teller: Jim Norman, Recorder;
Past Potentate

Imperial Potentate Aide: Joe Harrison,
Past Grand Master; John McFarland,
Past Potentate

Imperial Potentate Personal Aide:
Jim Norman, Recorder; Past Potentate

Imperial Potentate Special Aide*: Rhon L. Reed

Masonic Relations: Jerry L. Hanson,
Past Grand Master

*Passed Away

Fred Sexton, Temple Historian



Thanks to the NOBLES and Ladies that worked the circus. It was a great success that only happened with your help.

Ringmasters Club is still available for

new jackets/ members @ \$250 and renewals \$100 you can get with me or the Shrine office.

Please volunteer to help sell tickets for the St Louis Hospital fund raiser on the bike. Units or individuals please call me with dates you can come out.

Fraternally Yours
David Vince
Oriental Guide

Ladies Luncheon tickets are \$35 per person until April 19th.

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RECORDER'S MESSAGE



Nobles and ladies, my how time flies!! Its already mid February, the Memphis Circus has come and gone!! Great turnout! Great turnout of Nobles working very hard to make it a success! Thank all you nobles and ladies for your hard work and dedication. Everything went so good!! Thank you Daughters of the Nile for your hard work in the tickets booth!! The Divan all worked so very hard to make it a success! As most of you know by the time you read this article Ms. Jane McCrary will be retired and moved to Florida. My, you talk about someone being missed, but this lady will truly

be missed! 27 years of dedication to this Temple that can never be replaced. Hats off to you Ms. Jane. We cannot say enough good things about you and we wish you the very best in your relaxing time. Don't get sunburned down in sunny Florida. You must come back to see us.

Don't forget Hot Springs trip, March 9, 2019, Save the date for St. Louis trip on June 1, 2019, Cubs and Cardinals that night and St. Louis Shriners Hospital for Children the next morning and back home.

We need a bus load on both these trips. Only 40 tickets to the Cubs & Cardinals. As most of you know we have a vacancy on the Divan, which we will have an election to fill at our Stated Meeting in March.

Fraternally yours,
 Jim D. Norman and Lady Sue
 Recorder

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3 TEA DANCE	4 MONDAY LUNCH 11:30 AM		5 UNIT HEAD MEETING	6	7	8 HOT SPRINGS TRIP 9
10 MONDAY LUNCH 11:30 AM	11		12 STATED MEETING BURGERS	13	14	15 SESA MID-WINTER * 16
17 MON LUN 11:30						23
24 LADIES DAY 25 MONDAY LUNCH 11:30 AM			26	27	28	29 CEREMONIAL AT JACKSON 30
31						

April 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 MONDAY LUNCH 11:30 AM		2	3 STATED MEETING	4	5 DISTRICT 1 MEETING 6
7	8 MONDAY LUNCH 11:30 AM		9	10 STATED MEETING BURGERS	11	12 13
14	15 MONDAY LUNCH 11:30 AM		16	17	18 GOOD FRIDAY OFFICE CLOSED	19 EASTER EGG HUNT 20
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28	29 MONDAY LUNCH 11:30 AM		30			

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