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*Illustrious Sir Bruce Bubel has hereby declared
2016 will be Tons of Fun. With this as his motto,
Karem is almost guaranteed a year chock-full of
good times and the opportunity to revive the logo:*

**SHRINERS...
HAVING FUN,
HELPING KIDS!**

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Nobles and Ladies,

POTE'S NOTES



I have to start this message by saying THANK YOU to the Nobility for trusting me and having faith enough in me to vote for me to guide Karem as Potentate through the 2016 year. That being said, I must also thank Illustrious Sir Bob White, PP, for the job he did in 2015. It was an honor to serve with him.

Since I am saying my thanks, thank you to Jay Baker, PP, for the outstanding job at the Officer Installation and to Noble Larry McDonald and everyone who made the Potentate's Ball a success. There were so many people who contributed to this that there just isn't enough print space to properly thank everyone, and I am afraid I would leave someone out. Everyone knows who they are, so just know how much Patti and I deeply appreciate all of the hard work and time you put in.

This is already shaping up to be a busy and fun year at Karem. To kick off the year is Love to the Rescue, featuring The Bellamy Brothers, February 13. If you haven't made your reservation for this event, please do so. For reservations, or more info, contact any Director's Staff member. The Director's Staff also promises to have one of the largest BBQ Cook Offs in the Central Texas area this spring at the campground. Not to be outdone, the Motor Escorts have already started planning this year's Casino Night, October 22. That is always fun. There is the car show in August, put on by the Classic Cars, and the Fish Fries will start again in April. Don't forget about the Potentate's Cruise from August 28—September 4, on Royal Caribbean's Liberty of the Sea. There is already a large group signed up, and the list is growing. This cruise is open to anyone who wants to go and have fun. You don't need to be a Shriner to join us. Reservations and more information can be obtained by contacting Allen Samuels House of Travel and telling them you are interested in the Karem Cruise. Who knows what else may get added to all this.

The first "open dance" at Karem will be March 12 with the Spur City Rounders playing. I would like to remind everyone that these dances are open to the public, so encourage your friends and neighbors to come out for some fun and dancing. There just might be a potential Mason and Shriner in one of these visitors.

To keep up with the events that are happening at Karem, please download our Karem Shriners App to your smartphone or tablet, or check Karem's website. Our Chief Rabban's Lady, Janell Grusendorf, does a super job of keeping this website up to date.

Whew, that's enough for now. Lady Patti and I are excited and looking forward to a fun year.

Yours in the Faith,
Bruce Bubel
Potentate 2016

Dear Nobles,

RECORDER'S CORNER



We of the Nobility realize that the Shrine is considered by the profane to be a secret order. However, there is not much secrecy about it. We advertise there is such an Order; we make no secret of our membership, as most of us wear a lapel pin or button and upon occasion, wear our fez in public. We print notices in our Karavan, which is read by the public on occasion, which states the time and place of our meetings. The only secrecy practiced is to our ritual and that we use a secret ballot in determining who shall be admitted to our fraternal associates.

In fact, there is nothing secretive in that we have nothing to conceal; rather, we find our Temple to be a place where we find true happiness through fraternal association with other men who likewise enjoy fun and frolic, and who wish, for the time being, to forget the tribulations and worries of our everyday life.

The privilege of wearing the Red Fez carries with it some personal responsibilities. We owe a responsibility to our officers whom we have selected to administer our affairs and are entitled to our cooperation and assistance in their efforts. These officers, and the members of committees appointed by them, receive no financial compensation and devote a great deal of time, thought and effort in the interest of our Temple.

Too often, we of the Nobility assume the attitude that these men are working for us, and we sit on the sidelines and enjoy the fruits of their labor; however, let us all work together, each doing his bit according to his ability, towards the success of the Temple as a whole. We will all be better Shriners, and better men, as a result.

May God bless and keep you.

Es Selamu Aleikum,
Mike Burney—Recorder

"Noble's Pride"

When I look around at my life in the Shrine, many things I cherish stand out in my mind.

Hospitals for the children who can't run and play, bring hope to the families, in so many ways.

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And I'm proud of our circus, that's part of the shrine. It brings out the child in all of our minds.

I'll stand with my brothers, and salute our flag, be it brand new, or tattered and sagged.

'Cause it's heavily entwined, in our lodge of blue; it stands for our freedom and the religion we choose.

We're from many backgrounds and different lifestyles, but we never stand taller than when we stoop to help a child.

Yes, I'm proud to be a Shriner, and I love the parades, 'cause children's laughter is what I get paid.

Noble Ben R. Steen, 1995

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

Hungry Camel Café



February 18 Menu

Chili Stacks
Dessert
Tea
\$5.00

Nobles and Ladies,

Please join us on Thursday, February 18 at 5:30 for dinner at the Hungry Camel Café, for an encore performance.

See you then!

Daughters of the Nile

BREW CREW

A few of us are considering starting up a new club that brews beer, root beer and other exotic beverages. If you have an interest in this, I would like to meet with you after the Stated Meeting on February 18, on the patio. for a short meeting to establish the intent and purpose of a club like this.

As a craft brewer, with some experience, and a great deal of success in brewing beer, I think that it would be fun to have a club like this.

There is a club in the Houston Shrine that has been doing well for approximately a year now. I have a copy of their bi-laws and plan on meeting with the TABC about getting a brewers permit. Again, if you are interested in a club like this, please plan to attend this brief meeting. I hope to see you there.

Noble Glen Seeley

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STATED MEETING

Karem Shrine's next Stated Meeting will be held on Thursday, February 18, 2016.
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KAREM KARAVAN

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KAREM COWBOYS

If you would like to have a circa 1880's style gun fight reenactment group at parties, or other social functions, please contact Karem Shrine (below), or Dustin West at 254-715-1095, and submit your request with details and contact information. We work for donations to Shriners Hospitals for Children.

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Nobles!!!

What a great kick off for Karem this year! STAFF wants to thank Past Potentate Bob White for all the support and hard work last year. A big ball of momentum has begun to roll for the future of Karem.

CONGRATULATIONS to Illustrious Sir Bruce Bubel! STAFF is here to support you! Good luck and best wishes for your year. Your Ball was first class. It was over the top and we had a great time. We all look forward to participating in your upcoming events.

Love to the Rescue is growing every year to become one of Waco's premier events. I want to give special thanks to Jason Spivey, our LTR Chairman. He has put in countless hours of work to make this a first class event. His management skills have made this a well oiled machine. Ricky Rasberry has gone over the top promoting and selling, as well. I want to give a special thanks to our top sponsors Custom Integrators and Mack's Camper Sales.

STAFF will be in full force for Red Fez and hosting this year's Easter Egg hunt in March. We have our TSDA Mid-Winter this February, in San Antonio, that will be a fun filled event.

Stop by and check out the newly remodeled STAFF room.

Fraternally,
Yancy Marteney
Director

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7	8	9	10 Divan Meeting	11 Coryell Shrine Ranchers Steakhs	12	13 LOVE TO THE RESCUE
14	15 PATIO— Classic Cars	16	17 Rat Patrol Navarro Shrine, Cove Oasis Shrine	18 Stated Meeting	19	20 BALLROOM Rented
21 PATIO Rented	22 PATIO— Motor Patrol	23 Tri-County Shrine Club	24 Circus Meeting	25	26	27 BALLROOM Rented
28	29					



DATES TO REMEMBER

MARCH

- 9—Divan Meeting
- 12—St. Patty's Dance
- 17—Stated Meeting
- 25—Karem Closed (Good Friday)
- 26—Easter Egg Hunt
- 27—Easter

APRIL

- 2—Cove Red Fez
- 13—Divan Meeting
- 16—Spring Dance
- 21—Stated Meeting
- 22—First Fish Fry

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