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**Zelzah Shrine & Legion of Honor  
Halloween Party 2024**

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## Elected Divan

Potentate \_\_\_\_\_ Michael Clark

Chief Rabban \_\_\_\_\_ Eric Halberg

Assistant Rabban \_\_\_\_\_ Jacob Lewis

High Priest & Prophet \_\_\_\_\_ Brendan Vargas

Oriental Guide \_\_\_\_\_ Robin "Montana" Williams

Treasurer \_\_\_\_\_ Christopher West

Recorder \_\_\_\_\_ Alan Wise, PP

## Appointed Divan

1<sup>st</sup> Ceremonial Master \_\_\_\_\_ Mike Cappa

2<sup>nd</sup> Ceremonial Master \_\_\_\_\_ Tarek Schoner

Director General \_\_\_\_\_ Lynem Fowler

Marshal \_\_\_\_\_ Mitchell Hostmeyer

Captain of the Guard \_\_\_\_\_ Dennis Rusk

Chaplain \_\_\_\_\_ Phil Pupanek

1<sup>st</sup> Outer Guard \_\_\_\_\_ John Gallagher

2<sup>nd</sup> Outer Guard \_\_\_\_\_ Troy Schneiderman

3rd Outer Guard \_\_\_\_\_ Raymond Roberts

## Shrine Clubs

Boulder City \_\_\_\_\_ Jim Giannosa

B.C. Mini Cars \_\_\_\_\_ Dan Erickson, P. P.

Henderson \_\_\_\_\_ Brian Green

Road Runners \_\_\_\_\_ Casey Case

Weepah \_\_\_\_\_ Greg Curtin

## Shrine Unit

Clowns \_\_\_\_\_ Troy Schneiderman

Flivvers \_\_\_\_\_ Chuck Coleman

Legion of Honor \_\_\_\_\_ Reggie Winbush

## Social Clubs

Aviation \_\_\_\_\_

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ Greg Curtin

Hillbilly Clan #47 \_\_\_\_\_ Fred Boyd

## Emeritus

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Billie McMahan, P.P. \_\_\_\_\_ Trustee Emer

Don Daum \_\_\_\_\_ Recorder Emer

Jack Richardson \_\_\_\_\_ Marshal Emer

Daniel "Pix" Pixley \_\_\_\_\_ Drivers Emer



# From the Potentate



Nobles, by the time you get this the Golf Tournament, Halloween Fundraiser, and Stated Meeting will be over. I have had a good ride this year and will finish up with the Christmas party for the kids and the parade in Boulder City. I thank all who have supported me this year and hope that you continue your support for the next Potentate and his line. There are quite a few Nobles who have joined the Shrine who we do not see anymore. Let's see if we can get them back involved in what we do and stand for. Fun and Fellowship, as well as our philanthropy of helping the children. Unfortunately I have to miss the Veterans Day Parade, I am sure Eric will represent us well with the Legion of honor. I will be in Reno for the Grand Lodge Session on that day for the opening.

Thanks to Noble Mike Cappa for the excellent meals, especially the Past Potentates night. I do not eat much steak, however it was good. Our main purveyor had to go out of town on a work project and could not make it back in time. He will be here in November if his project is finished as planned. The November meeting is Chief Rabban night and I am sure he will have important things to talk about for his year.

You still have time to bid on the Washington prints that remain and the rifle, pistol, and shotgun. All proceeds except the cost of the rifle, pistol and shotgun go to Zelzah operating account. I wish everyone could win but sadly this is not the case. The highest bidder/bidders will receive the items in December.

Yours in Faith,  
Michael Clark  
Potentate 2024

## PAST POTENTATES

Richard Land	1975-76*
Milton Keefer	1977*
Joseph T. Klenke	1978*
Joseph R. Parruli	1979*
LeRoy A. Wolever, MD	1980*
Jackson Houston, PGM	1981*
George Boman	1982*
Phillip M. Van DeVenter	1983*
Ross Cooke	1984*
Walter A. Reichenbach	1985*
Norman S. Priddy	1986*
Merritt S. "Budd" Jones	1987*
Billie G. McMahan	1988
Harry A. Downer	1989*
William Wattenbarger	1990
Sven E. Levin	1991*
Tom Gailey	1992*
Robert E. Cook	1993*
Lew Kirgis	1994*
J. Linden Smith	1995
John C. Holler	1996*
James "Jim" Denney	1997*
William G. "Bill" Becker	1998
Earl "Joe" Darnold	1999*
Harvey A. Williams	2000,02*
William "Bill" Holland	2001
John Pennington	2003
Michael L. Rodgers	2004,11
Stephen B. Stone	2005*
William A. Burger	2006*
Swannie Swenson	2007
M.G. "Mike" Barry	2008
Thomas D. "Tom" Welsh	2009
Robert L. "Bob" Norton	2010
Roy A. Sargent	2011*
Al Oppegard	2012
Paul Granstrom	2013*
Jerry Eitel	2014
Daniel C. Kelly	2015
Daniel Erickson	2016
Michael Holmstrom	2017
Joseph "Joe" Freeman	2018
John Wehrly	2019
Bruce Nelson	2020
Dwain Rittenhouse	2021
Alan L. Wise	2022
David E. Bechtel	2023

\* In Memory

### Past Potentates Associated with Zelzah

Edward Jakubowsky	Al Azhar Shrine
Frank Fiedler	Aloha Shrine
Joel Meza	El Kalah Shrine
Robert Shupe	El Kalah Shrine
Wayne McCrossen	Damascus Shrine
William Broyles	El Kalah Shrine

## November

Andrew S Reeves  
 Anthony A York  
 Arthur Neel  
 Aurelio A Dacalos Jr.  
 Charles E Lemley  
 Christian Sevilla  
 Craig S Ruby  
 Curtis L Mattke  
 Dan M Cole  
 Daniel T Nordyke  
 Douglas G Sapp  
 Epifanio Pena  
 Fred A Horne  
 George P Wehrly  
 Gerald F Reimers II  
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 Richard L Sampson  
 Richard M Hoaglin  
 Robert L Norton P.P.  
 Roger A Hundley  
 Russell A Gray  
 Ryan R Wright  
 Sean R McCaffery  
 Steve J Keeter  
 Timothy N Foster  
 Todd A Brown  
 W Ben Maze  
 William A Meacham  
 William L Grant

# OFFICIAL NOTICE STATED MEETING

November 19, 2024

&

December 17, 2024

“Elections”

Dinner 6:00 pm

\*Must RSVP for Dinner\*

Stated Meeting at 7:00 pm

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## THE IMPORTANCE OF UNINSURED/UNDERINSURED MOTORIST COVERAGE

Although it is illegal for drivers to get behind the wheel without insurance coverage, it is a shockingly common occurrence in Nevada. According to a 2023 study by the Insurance Research Council, 1 in 7 drivers are uninsured. It gets worse: The chance that the person crashing into you is uninsured is actually much higher than 1 in 7! While there has been no clear study conducted, it is well known in the industry that uninsured drivers tend to also be “high risk” drivers. For example, there are many drivers who can't afford insurance coverage because they have caused so many accidents in the past, no carrier will cover them without huge premiums. If that driver is willing to violate state law and drive uninsured, they are also more likely to violate driver safety laws. Also consider, if a driver can't afford mandatory insurance coverage, there is also a good chance they can't afford to properly maintain the vehicles that they are driving (brake failure, blown tire, etc). So forget a 1 in 7 chance; if someone crashes into you on the streets of Las Vegas, there is actually closer to a 1 in 4 chance that the at fault driver is uninsured.

These numbers don't even include “underinsured” drivers who have minimum coverage, which in Nevada is only \$25,000 per person and \$20,000 in total property damage. If someone is severely injured in a crash, these limits aren't even close to enough to cover medical bills, let alone compensate for pain and suffering! And so we come to the main point of this article: make sure you and your loved ones have Uninsured / Underinsured (UM/UIM) coverage on your own auto policies! This ensures that you will have at least some level of protection, even if the person who crashes into you has no insurance. And if you are not at fault for the incident, your own insurance company can't use the claim against you when calculating your premium, even if they pay you the entire limits of your UM/UIM policy.

Joshua Aldabbagh is a Nevada licensed attorney (and Shriner) that has been practicing law for 14 years. Look forward to more informative legal articles in forthcoming Zelzah News publications.

*These We Do Not Forget*  
*Black Camel*  
*In Memoriam*  
**Michael J. Bryant**



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## Shriners Children's Southern California Representative Newsletter:

Since becoming a Shriner, I had always been on the fundraising side of our day-to-day functions. Now that I have the privilege of being your representative to the Shriners Children's Southern California (SCSC), I see firsthand how those dollars are being spent. From bone saws to radiology equipment, from Medical Center Administration to Facilities Maintenance. It can be overwhelming to a novice; however, I can assure you that the professionals at the SCSC are providing the absolute best care for our kids. The remainder of this newsletter is Imperial Sir Richard Burke and Dr. Leslie Stewart's message to you outlining their vision for the next 10 years.

As Shriners, it is our pride and privilege to support Shriners Children's – or as we like to call it, the World's Greatest Philanthropy. We've been offering hope and healing to children for more than a century, and we intend to continue doing so for another century and beyond.

Many of you are familiar with Vision 2035, our plan to make sure we can provide Shriners Children's life-changing care to as many children as possible, far into the future. To help us ensure the successful implementation of Vision 2035, we hired Kaufman Hall as external, expert advisors. Kaufman Hall helped us devise an enhanced strategic plan, and it has been approved by the Joint Boards.

Our vision hasn't changed, but it is evolving. This month we unveiled details of Shriners Children's strategic plan. Here are some highlights.

**The Vision:** Vision 2035 is evolving to position Shriners Children's as the best pediatric sub-specialty healthcare system, setting a course for prominence. How we'll get there:

**Best Care:** Intensive focus on excellence for patients and employees, while delivering on the tripartite mission – clinical care, research and education

**More Kids:** Focus on seeing "More Kids" in terms of more individual patients within each service line, from the routine to the rare

**Right Places:** Focus on providing our services in the right markets with the right care delivery model(s) where we can most effectively compete and win

**More Value:** Work not just to reduce costs but also to prioritize value, pursuing cost efficiency and quality and focusing on sustainability

We're proud that this road map sets us on a course for growth. Shriners Children's has come a long way since our founding in 1922. Your commitment and support will continue to change the lives of children around the world in new, innovative ways.

Yours in the faith

Russell A. Gray

Zelzah Shrine Representative

SCSC/BOG

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# **Oriental Guide Must Be Selected Wisely**

## **Election of Zelzah Officers**

**December 17, 2024**

When the members of Zelzah Shriners elect a Noble to the Office of Oriental Guide, they are virtually starting that Noble through the Divan Line on the assumption that he will prove qualified for and worthy of advancement to the high office of Illustrious Potentate.

Hence it is quite evident that nomination for Oriental Guide should be based upon a thorough and accurate evaluation of character, ability, motivation, interest, and experience. A Noble can be a great fellow, hard worker; and loyal Shriner and yet lack the basic qualifications which make for a good Potentate. Unless a Noble is fully qualified for the job, he is unfair both to himself and to Zelzah Shriners in seeking the Office or permitting his fellow Nobles to support and promote his candidacy.

Each Shrine Temple needs and requires capable, high-type leadership. The normal starting point of that leadership is the office of Oriental Guide. The following checklist may prove helpful in evaluating potential candidates for the Office of Oriental Guide. However, no thinking man would be so naïve or presumptuous as to believe that anyone Noble could possibly embody all of the virtues, talents, and qualifications that are set forth in this checklist. Nevertheless, the list has practical value for self-evaluation by the Noble whose ultimate aspiration is the Office of Illustrious Potentate, and for evaluation of potential candidates by the voting members.

- Leadership**
- Executive ability**
- Community standing and influence**
- Financial security**
- Business Sense**
- Energy and Vitality**
- Capable of building good public relations**
- Good habits and moral character**
- Well-Poised**
- Good Health**
- Diplomacy**
- Stage Presence**
- Competent Organizer and Promoter**
- Possess Social Graces**

Many temples have placed a definite limitation upon their progress as a result of hasty judgment in connection with nominations for the office of Oriental Guide. Every Noble is not fit to meet the rigorous demands placed upon Potentates. So let's be fair, honest, and wise in the all-important matter of electing to office only men who are eminently qualified for the job. We all know that with honor comes responsibility. While there is high honor associated with being a Divan Officer, the ensuing responsibilities entail a lot of time and energy-consuming work. Eternal vigilance must be wisely and thoughtfully exercised by the voting membership to perpetuate a high caliber of leadership.



## § 325.5 Ballot.

- (a) **Separate Ballot.** Election of officers shall be by a majority vote of those present and voting. When there is more than one candidate for election to a particular office, a separate written ballot is required. A blanket ballot is prohibited.

*Amend. 2012*

## § 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, emails or other devices, by a unit, club, Nobles, or 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.

*Amend. 2011*

*Malta Commandery No. 3*  
*Annual Knight Templar Christmas Observance*  
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*Chief Rabban*

*Eric Halberg*

Greetings Nobles, Ladies and Friends,

As we approach this month of November and the Holiday of Thanksgiving, Lady Michelle and I are grateful to call all of you our Family and we hope you enjoy a safe and fun time whether here or abroad. Also, this month we have a great opportunity to help raise funds for the Hospital by selling CD's/Albums at the various dates for the Foreigner concerts, please contact Ill. Sir Dan Kelly to sign up 775-209-4590 we could use your support and participation. We have the Veteran's Day parade on the 11th and VA BBQ on 16th, details on both should be included in this newsletter, this is our chance to give back a little to those who have given so much.

Thank you for all you do!

Eric M. Halberg

Chief Rabban

## Contributions and Donations to the Transportation Fund

### Zelzah Members

**Michael Clark**

### Hillbilly Clan #47

**Corey Lewis**

**Kreg Klaver**

**Eric Halberg**

**Tammy Wise**

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## Save the Date...

### November

Nov. 12 Unit Head/ Club/ Divan  
Nov. 16 VA BBQ (VA Hospital)  
Nov. 19 Stated

### December

Dec. 17 Stated - Elections  
Dec. 21 Secret Santa

### January 2025

Jan. 5 Installation (MMT)  
Jan. 18 Pizza & a Movie - Back to the Future  
Jan. 21 Stated

### February

Feb. 1 Chinese New Year's Parade  
Feb. 9 Super Bowl Party  
Feb. 11 Unit Head/Clubs/Divan  
Feb. 18 Stated  
Feb. 27-Mar 1 WSA

### March

Mar. 8 Boulder City Shrine Club POV  
Mar. 15 Henderson St. Patrick's Day Parade  
Mar. 15 Pote's Ball - Orleans Casino  
Mar. 18 Stated  
Mar. 23 Golf Tournament - Los Prados

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# November 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12 U/C/D	13	14	15	16 VA BBQ
17	18	19 Stated	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 <i>Office Closed</i>	29	30 Hillbilly Holiday Party

# December 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17 Stated-Elections	18	19	20	21 Secret Santa
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

Nobles:

Happy November! I have a few items I'd like to address:

As my responsibilities change and progress in the Shrine, I would like to prepare for the future. I would like to begin sharing (or passing along) the duties of WebNoble. If you are proficient in WordPress and/or more technically inclined than the average Noble, please let me know if you are interested in serving Zelzah with its website and digital content. P.S. Visit [zelzahshrine.org](http://zelzahshrine.org) often and let the office know of any changes or additions you'd like to see.

1. I have always been a fan of ritual and thoroughly enjoy participating with the Ritual Divan. I would like to bolster our Cold Sands Ceremonial roster so that it has more depth, so please let me know if you want to take on a part. Also, I would like to (perhaps slowly) move toward performing a full Shrine Initiation Ceremonial. This ceremony takes a lot of people and will require some planning and practice. But the full show will be a lot of fun for the actors as well as the candidates. Please let me know if you'd be interested in this endeavor.
2. Did you know what it takes to start a Club/Unit? Three nobles and an idea (and Pote approval). I believe there is great opportunity in new units for our newer members. Just as a primer for some ideas I've heard from around the country: Homebrewers, HAM, CosPlay, Offroaders, RenFaire, New Noble/Mentor Club, an equivalent to KSA for Shrine, Gamers, Musicians, etc. The ideas are endless! So if you don't feel like you fit it with an existing club, a new club could be a way to enrich and further you and your fellow Noble's Shrine experience. Stated meetings are for boring business... clubs are the heart of fun in Shrinedom!
3. On the subject of stated meetings... stated meetings are fundamental to the operation of any fraternal organization, but by nature they are for business and tend not to add to the FUN of the Shrine. We recently proposed a change to our meeting schedule and unfortunately, in my opinion, it was not approved by the nobility. I'd like to clarify the position of the proposers of this change. The idea was to move business meetings (aka Stated Meetings) to a quarterly basis. FYI, this is acceptable in Imperial Shrine Law and is done by MANY other Temples. Stated meetings are called such because they are specified by the bylaws and give membership permanent notice when business will be done; as a noble, it is your fundamental right to participate in the operation of your fraternity. (Any special/emergency business sessions require notice to the membership.) This design is to prevent any "shenanigans" from occurring in the operation of our business. If you're like me, you may feel like our stated meetings are like the movie "Groundhog Day" and most items remain the same month to month. Therefore, the quarterly meetings would allow us to conduct proper business without beating the horse, so to speak. And thanks to modern communications, any calendar changes can be instantly sent in the case of any last minute changes. The only concern with the proposal I have heard was that this would lead to less Shrine and I'd like to dispel that misconception of the plan that was proposed. So to be extra clear, the proposers DID NOT nor DO NOT intend to take away your monthly Shrine Night. The idea was to continue to meet every third Tuesday (except in summer), as we do, but instead of being bound by the bylaws to do business every month.. have the freedom to do FUN things and enjoy FELLOWSHIP. So, we would still see each other every regular month except instead of doing another business meeting we could have: an evening dedicated to a full Ceremonial; a family dinner with significant others, family members, and prospective nobles; a fundraiser night to support our PHILANTHROPY; a special visit / POV to a club or unit; a more elaborate Chief Rabban Night; educational/community presentations, Black Camel dinner and ceremony with families, etc. I intend to see this proposal brought back before the Nobility in the coming months and hope that you will agree that it will make a better Shrine experience for all. TO BE CLEAR, it is not for less Shrine, but for a better Shrine with more FUN, FELLOWSHIP, and PHILANTHROPY! So, please join us in creating Zelzah 2.0 and if you have any questions or concerns, please come talk to me.

For any of the above, please call/text 702-205-9441 or email [jacob.alan.lewis@gmail.com](mailto:jacob.alan.lewis@gmail.com) (I'm a millennial and we live in a purple state, calling will likely go to voicemail if I don't have you in my phone... leave a message and I'll respond at my availability :-)

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Unit and Club Secretaries are reminded that your officer elections were to take place in October, and need to be submitted to the office if you have not already submitted them. Please ensure you submit your list of 2025 officers to me post haste so I may complete my Shriners International tasking in a timely manner.

Please ensure you review the Ballot and Election Regulations contained on page 9 of this issue of the Zelzah Newsletter. This notification via the Zelzah Newsletter meets the requirement of paragraph 325.11 (d). Election of the Zelzah Shrine Officers for the ensuing year will take place at our December 17<sup>th</sup> Stated Meeting. All Nobles of Zelzah Shriners are encouraged to attend the December Stated Meeting so they may cast their ballot for the 2025 Officers who will lead this organization during the ensuing year.

Fraternally yours,

Alan L. Wise, P.P.  
Recorder  
Zelzah Shriners



Dear Legion of Honor (LOH) Unit Members

I want to take a moment to express my deepest gratitude for an outstanding year we have had. By the time you read this writing, we would have successfully voted in our 2025 LOH Commander and his staff of Officers and had our joint Shrine and LOH Halloween party. As I reminisce about some of the things we as a unit completed this year, I can truly say Thank You for your unwavering support by attending parades, presentations of the US Colors, Participating in the International Association Legion of Honor (IALOH) Uniform Inspection competition as part of the IALOH Convention hosted by Commander Russell Gray and his staff, and contributing food for our luncheons has been invaluable.

Your dedication has truly made a difference, and I am thankful for each and every one of you. As we approach the end of the year, let's stay strong and focused on our last upcoming events for the remainder of the year. On November 11 (Veterans Day Parade in Las Vegas), November 16 (VA BBQ and Car Show) & (Quilts for Valor in Pahrump, NV.), and our LOH Christmas party on December 15. We will be attending the Boulder City Christmas Parade, on December 7, 2024, more information will be forthcoming.

I also wanted to extend a special thanks to all who contributed to this year's success, whether by offering guidance, or keeping our sick members in your thoughts and prayers. Your commitment means the world. Thank You, Thank You, Thank You!

So let's end this year on a good note by continuing to keep our Military, first responders, healthcare professionals, and one another in our prayers. Let's focus on supporting our next Commander and his team showing them the same incredible support that you have so generously given me and my team.

Remember why we do what we do, it's For The Children!

With heartfelt appreciation,  
Commander Winbush

## Hillbillies

Fred Boyd

### HELLO CUZZINS AND NON-CUZZINS

Those who couldn't make it to the Sept 29th Hillbilly gathering missed another good one and missed being introduced to the 2024-2025 International Hillbilly Queen Linda Rizzatto, all while being serenaded by Royal Caribbean Cruise Line entertainer Ron Ekeberg (guest of Hillbilly Gal Cuz Terry Bradlow). In addition, we had great vittles and a Hillbilly Guy Degree where two flatland Zelzah's Nobles, Dennis Rusk and Joshua AlDabbagh proudly, "Honored the Cob" and added "Cuz" to their names as they climbed the hills of the Grand and Glorious Order of the Hillbilly Degree. I thank the degree team: ROC Cuz Todd Brown, KOC Cuz Fred Boyd, GOS Cuz Raymond Roberts and Cuz Mike Cappa; and Hat Fitter Cuz Russell Gray.

International Hillbilly Queen Linda was accompanied by her beau, Cuz Richard Rizzatto both from Oil Patch Clan 69, Al Malaikah Shrine, Los Angeles, Ca., who will be sponsoring next year's 2025 Hillbilly Convention in Buena Park, CA near Disneyland and Knott's Berry Farm, Aug 7-9, 2025. The Double Tree Hotel, Buena Park, Ca will host, so make your reservations. See Flyer.

Zelzah's Clan 47 also presented Queen Linda with a Honorary Gals membership and a \$100.00 check for her cause, the Shriners Children's Southern California, Pasadena, Ca.

In addition to the above, Clan 47's Officers for 2025 were elected with the following results:

ROC - Raban of the Clan, Cuz Fred Boyd    KOC- Keper of the Cob, Cuz Mike Cappa    GOS- Guardian of the Still, Cuz Todd Brown  
KOQ- Keeper of the Quill, Cuz Russ Gray    Treas, Cuz Ron Krever

It's noted that during the gathering Ron Ekeberg entertained with various songs to include "Stand up For America". We thank Ron for his musical talent and Clan 47 support. We thank the 30 in attendance, all the Guys and especially the Hillbilly Gals who came to meet Queen Linda; and those who brought vittles. And a big moonshine thanks to our bartender, Cuz Ron Krever, who served spirits that brought happiness to our hearts. We give special thanks to Zelzah's Recorder, Cuz Alan Wise who had kitchen duty; and Cuz Tammy Wise for selling raffle and 50-50 tickets; and the 50-50 winner Clan 47's Possum Queen, Cuz Cheri Boyd who donated the winnings (\$102.00) back to the Clan for donation to the Transportation Fund.

As a result of this gathering, at the October's stated meeting, \$398.00 was added making this another \$500,00 donated to Zelzah's Hospital Transportation Fund. This brings our total to \$29,000 from the beginning. With continued member support I know we can make \$30,000.

We encouraged all members and non-members to enter the Hillbilly Web address in their phone. "Internationalshrinehillbillies.com" see whats going on with other clans in shrinedom. And who knows maybe you non-Cuzzins will become one.

Our next event is Nov 30th at the Shrine Center. "Corn Squeezin's" 2024 Vegas Holiday "Hillbilly Style" See flyer. Hope to see ya there. Then hopefully in February 2025, a dedication to the Hillbilly Gals, the mommas. Remember to "HONOR THE COB" that by our small contribution that one child who may not walk today, he or she may walk tomorrow.

Cuz Fred Boyd, Raban of the Clan 702-338-6883

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Events with \* are at the Shrine Center

### **November**

Nov. 12	Unit Head/ Club/ Divan*
Nov. 16	VA BBQ (VA Hospital)
Nov. 19	Stated*

### **December**

Dec. 17	Stated - Elections
Dec. 21	Secret Santa

**\*Please Note: Events dates are subject to change or cancellation\***

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