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Sportsman's Raffle Update

On behalf of Illustrious Ed Barker and the entire Kazim Divan I would like to thank each and every one of the Nobles and Ladies of Kazim that were responsible for making the 2020 Sportsman's Raffle the huge success that it has turned out to be. When the Gaming Permit Renewal process began in early 2020 no one could have foreseen what 2020 was going to bring us with the cancellation of events that traditionally net us large ticket sales. Just a few that come to mind are the Hillsville Flea Market, Old Time Fiddlers Convention, Saddle up for Shriners, the Fall Foliage Festival in Clifton Forge and many other events throughout the Kazim footprint. But that had no effect on our Nobility! You Nobles took it upon yourself to get to the temple office or to your Regional Coordinator and have multiple books of tickets issued to you and then got them sold in record numbers. Originally, we had 7000 tickets printed for this year's raffle but around the first of September we were about to sell out of that allotment of tickets so we requested permission from the Virginia Gaming Commission and received their authorization to print another 1000 tickets. This by far has been the most successful Sportsman's Raffle to date and it is all due to the Nobles and Ladies of Kazim. So, I offer you my heartfelt thank you and my admiration for a job very well done.

Bill David
Chief Rabban
2020 Sportsman's Raffle Chairman



A list of all winners is available online:

kazimshriners.com/calendar/kazim-temple-gun-affle/



Kazim Sportsman's Raffle Grand Prize Winner
Billy Ray & Sandy Marshall

Congratulations to the 2020 Kazim Sportsman's Raffle Grand Prize Winner, Billy Ray Marshall from Ararat, Virginia.

Billy and his wife, Sandy, operate Marshall Flowers and will use the Gator in their business.

Please be on the lookout for information regarding the Raffle for next year. We hope to get tickets out sooner to help with raising money for the Shrine Center.



Shriners Hospitals for Children®

Love to the rescue®

2020 has obviously been a difficult year for many reasons to all of our Masonic bodies. For the Shriners it is particularly cumbersome from the standpoint of fundraisers as it is how we support our Hospitals, local Shrine Center, and our Units/Clubs directly.

In a prior page of this Kazimer we discussed the Sportsman's Raffle and the amazing job our Nobles and Ladies did selling tickets to support Kazim Shrine Center. However, we have also been notified of donations made to the Shriners Hospitals for Children from some of Kazim Units.

At a time when it would be easy enough to stay home and not do anything, these groups continue to help support our Fraternity as best they can while keeping everyone around them safe.



Mobile Nobles

We're proud to announce the Kazim Mobile Nobles have just sent a donation to the Shrine Hospital for Children in Greenville, S.C. for the "Pops Shoe Closet" in the amount of \$2,000 AND the "Bear Den" in the amount of \$500. We hope to continue raising money for these two projects.

Misfits

The Kazim Misfits held a Bingo event in Narrows, VA on Friday August 28th where they were able to raise \$2363. This money has been sent to the Shriners Hospitals for Children and earmarked for Greenville, S.C. The Unit hopes to hold this event twice annually in the future so they can increase their support for the Hospitals and the children.

If your Unit, or Club, has been able to do any fundraising for the Hospital or Shrine Center please make sure to let us know by emailing us directly at kazimer@kazimshriners.com.


Activity and energy spreads to more people as they see the positive results from just a few. Let us help to spread the good work and dedication from your Unit, or Club, now more than ever.

Ceremonial Weekend

Nobles of Kazim,

It is with great pleasure that Lady Phyllis and I invite you to join us at the Kazim Shrine Fall Ceremonial and Potentate's Ball on Friday and Saturday, November 13-14, 2020.


The celebration will begin on Friday at 5:00pm with a spaghetti dinner hosted by the Roanoke Valley Shrine Club. The various units will open their rooms for hospitality at 6:00pm. Dress for this event will be casual for all.



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Potentate's Ball

Together with Love



Illustrious Sir, Ed Barker and Lady Phyllis

Date: November 14, 2020
 Location: 628 Campbell Ave SW, Roanoke, VA

Agenda: 5:00 PM – Social Hour
 6:00 PM – Introductions
 6:30 PM – Dinner
 7:30 PM – Potentate's Comments
 8:00 PM – Dancing (Trey Calloway)

Dress: Men: Texas Tuxedo
 Ladies: Formal or Dress top & pants

Cost: \$50 Per Person
 \$75/night, mention Kazim Shriners

Hotel: Holiday Inn at Tanglewood
 4468 Starkey Road, Roanoke, VA
 540-774-4400

The Hospitality Room at the Hotel will be open from 2:00PM until 4:00PM and will resume for Nightcaps at 10:30PM. Shuttle vans will run from the Hotel to the Shrine Center starting at 4:30PM – 5:30PM and will resume again at 10:00PM until everyone is back at the Hotel.

Detach and return this portion to Kazim Shriners:
 628 Campbell Ave SW, Roanoke, VA 24016 or call: 540-344-9306
 Also available online at: www.kazimshriners.com/potentates-desk/potentates-ball

Name: _____ Lady: _____
 Title: _____ Temple: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Amount Enclosed: _____
 Seating Pref: _____

We will do our best to accommodate seating preferences, but cannot make guarantees. Proceeds from this event benefit Kazim Shriners and are not tax deductible.

The Potentate's Ball will include a social hour beginning at 5:00pm followed by dinner at 6:30pm. After dinner The Trey Calloway Band will entertain us all. Bring your dancing shoes and get ready for a fun evening.

Dress for the evening is Texas Tuxedo for Nobles and Formal or Semi-Formal for Ladies. A shirt, tie or bolo, jacket, blue jeans, and boots constitutes a Texas Tuxedo. The addition of a Cowboy hat may be added on as well.

Our host hotel is the Holiday Inn Tanglewood. Please make your reservations by calling the hotel at (540-774-4400) and request to be included with the Kazim Shriners.



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Ceremonial Weekend

Open House & Social



Open to all Master Masons.

Date: Friday, November 13, 2020
 Location: 628 Campbell Ave SW, Roanoke, VA

Agenda: 5:00 PM – Spaghetti Dinner (RVSC)
 6:00 PM – Unit Rooms Open

Hospitality Room at the Hotel will be open from 9:30 PM – 11:30 PM.

Fall Ceremonial

Date: Saturday, November 14, 2020
 Location: 628 Campbell Ave SW, Roanoke, VA

Agenda: 8:30 AM – Men's Breakfast | Ladies Brunch in Arab Room
 9:00 AM – Candidate Registration
 *9:30 AM – Stated Meeting
 10:30 AM – Ceremonial 1st Session
 12:00 PM – Ceremonial 2nd Session

*New Candidates will meet, Hospital Board Member, Noble Jimmy Litchford in the Ballroom for instructions.
 Hospitality Room at the Hotel will be open from 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM. Vans will start back to Kazim at 4:30 PM.



Hotel Information



Holiday Inn at Tanglewood
 4468 Starkey Road, Roanoke, VA
 540-774-4400
 \$75/night, mention Kazim Shriners
 Option between King or 2 Queen Beds
 Hospitality Room: 1st Floor, Parlor Room
[Contact the Hotel directly for Reservations.](http://www.kazimshriners.com/potentates-desk/potentates-ball)



More Info Available at:

kazimshriners.com/potentates-desk/potentates-ball/



Shriners International



150th Anniversary Membership Directory

If you would like your temple, unit or club photos to be considered for inclusion in the 150th Anniversary edition Membership Directory, please send a high-resolution photo(s) and a brief caption to marketing@shrinenet.org by December 18.

We are looking for candid photos of Shriners, in action, taking part in fun and fellowship!

*Please include your name and temple, unit or club featured in the photo.



It is with a heavy heart that I must inform you that we have cancelled the 2021 East-West Shrine Bowl™ due to challenges presented by COVID-19.

This decision was extremely difficult to make. After consulting with our key partner – the NFL – along with countless leaders within the intercollegiate athletics community and the professional and college scouting community, we came to the conclusion that the risks were too great for the upcoming game. Once the NFL cancelled the Pro Bowl earlier this month, it became even more clear that we would need to take a one-year pause.

Although it is heart-breaking for us as Shriners, I know you will all agree that the safety and well-being of our athletes and attendees is our overriding concern.

Bob Roller, our executive director of the East-West Shrine Bowl, has been working on this issue for months. “It’s terribly disappointing to have to cancel this year’s game, but there are so many issues involved with bringing in approximately 130 players and 25 NFL coaches from every corner of the United States and Canada,” he said. “It’s difficult enough currently for these college teams to provide some sort of a bubble during the regular season, but our game occurs after all players have gone home for the holidays and presented too many potential issues for this one year.”

Players eligible for the 2021 game will still receive formal invitations and become a part of the historical 96-year tradition.

We all look forward to when this pandemic is over and we can get back to doing all the things we love, including this well-loved Shriners tradition, the East-West Shrine Bowl.

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Suggestions to the Kazimer

We appreciate your patience as we work through some inevitable bugs and glitches with this Newsletter, but know our end goal is to help connect our **Nobility** with everything going on at Kazim. To do that it will take YOUR help to make sure we mold this into a worthwhile Newsletter for all Nobles, and Ladies, to enjoy.

If you would like to make a suggestion for any type of information to add to the Kazimer please feel free to do so as it will help us provide you, our **Nobility**, with a more well-rounded Newsletter.

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Imperial Program Updates

New Be A Shriner Now

Our Shriners International marketing and membership teams have worked hard to make this tool attractive, effective and very easy to use. In addition, we've aimed to train at least one Noble from each Temple on the ins and outs of the new website, so if you have questions, there should be someone in your Temple who can help.



Introducing the New

beashriner**now**.com



Together as brothers, we improve lives and communities, and we enjoy having fun together all the while. I can't wait to start using this amazing new website to help us spread the word and bring even more men of good character into our Fraternity.

What is the Fun and Fellowship Competition?

The Fun and Fellowship Competition is designed to help bring fun and fellowship back to our fraternity, and to recognize those who have come up with solutions to have fun during the pandemic.

How do I enter the competition?

Visit www.shrinersinternational.org/FandFForm and fill out the short form to enter. There is no limit to the number of activities and/or ideas you can submit, as long as each submission is unique. Entries will be accepted from Oct. 27 – Dec. 16, 2020.

Who can enter?

Current members of Shriners International can enter the competition.

How will the finalists be selected?

After the submission deadline has passed, the Fun and Fellowship Council will evaluate each entry according to a judging rubric and will narrow the entries to the top five finalists within each of the three categories.

Who can vote?

We encourage all members of our extended Shriners family to vote, including nobles, ladies, family members, friends and members of affiliated Masonic organizations and ladies' organizations. Please note: you can only vote one time in each category. The voting will take place from Feb. 11 – March 25, 2021.