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The Chariot



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Ben Hur Shriners

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6:00PM - 10:00PM Attire: Black Tie or Evening Dress

TICKETS: \$100/PERSON • \$800/TABLE

TO ROAST FOR 5-MINUTES: \$100

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STATED MEETING

Ben Hur Shrine meets on the 3rd Thursday of the month. The next stated meeting will be Sept 21 2023. **YOUR 2023 DUES CARD IS REQUIRED!**

APPOINTED DIVAN

Temple Director - Chris Garner

Captain of the Guard - David Harnden

Outer Guard - Raul Scully

1st Ceremonial Master—Russell Jones

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Ceremonial Asst. Rabban— Sean Williams

Marshal - Gerry Garcia

POTENTATES MESSAGE—fatboyfab1955@gmail.com

Howdy Nobles and Ladies,

Summer is here and the heat is on us. In our travels up in Virginia and Kansas I heard folks complain about their hot days in the high 80s and low 90s. I just smiled and thought about our days here in Austin.

The Stonewall and Luling parades were great. It's always fun and both had a great turnout of spectators. It really feels great when we are parading, and folks cheer us on and thank the Shriners for what our hospitals do for our kids. I had one lady walk up to the float and shake my hand. It makes everything worth the time well invested. Pam and I wear our Shrine shirts when traveling and we have folks walk up all the time and tell us how our hospitals helped a child they know. It's great to hear their stories and their gratitude. I'll always remember visiting Shreveport Hospital and being introduced to kids and parents as "Owners of the Hospital". We had parents hug us and thank us. Feels pretty darn good and we are proud of that. Everyone of y'all are owners and should feel just as proud.

The Imperial Session in Charlotte was a blast. Pam and I got there a couple of days early and were able to meet folks coming in. We also toured the NASCAR Museum. Ben Hur was in the Hilton, which was one street from the convention center, a great location. Session started Sunday with the public opening and Tiled session started on Monday after the Texas Breakfast, there was a bit of legislation. A lot of it was housekeeping with Temple location changes and minor things. Nothing major except for the per capita increase. They were asking for a 30 dollar increase, but after debate and a revote the next day an amendment was voted on and the voting reps voted to increase it by 20 dollars a year. Imperial had to cash out some investment last year to pay bills. Membership is dropping and less per capita does not support our operations. I believe it was necessary to sustain our organization and I supported the increase. Two new hospital Trustees were also elected. Along with the business part came some fun times. The Ladies luncheon was grand, and we attended a concert by Joe Nichols. The brew fest at the NASCAR museum was great with all samples provided by Tempe brew clubs. The marketplace was great with everything Shiner you could ever want. The all-Shriner Parade was grand and a bunch of fun.

Imperial Sir Kenny Craven's session was great, and we welcomed Imperial Sir Ed Stolze as our Imperial Potentate for his year. He removed his fez and said that we are all Master Masons before anything, and so should it always be remembered. Good advice.

Pam and I left session on the last day, visited some friends in Virginia and then went to Kentucky where we spent a couple of days with Noble Fred Maynard and Lady Tracy at their family farm in the hills. It was a great time to unwind and a peaceful place. We left them and made our way back home. 13 days, 14 states and 3000 miles.

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Pam and I have been to four Imperial Sessions while on the Divan but this one as your Potentate was important as it was my last one on the Divan. We expect to attend many more. We ran into many friends and made new ones. Everywhere we turned someone knew us. I was pleased that four other Ben Hur Divan members attended with us. Although we only have two voting reps, it is important that others get the exposure for future sessions. I want to thank Ill. Sir Eddie Daffern (and Lady Shari), he led the LOH color Guard and Flag presentation and hanging with us. Thanks to Illustrious Charlie Farnham and Lady Betty for organizing and herding us on several events. Imperial Sir Jim Smith and Lady Alice were busy but spent some time with Ben Hur folks also. The Shrine Ladies had a wonderful time at their events. If you ever get a chance to attend, please do. It will make you proud to be a Shriner and of our hospitals.

Pam and I were proud to represent Ben Hur in Charlotte as well as everywhere. We always learn and network with many others. Again, it is our pleasure to represent Ben Hur and we love our Shriners Hospital Children. God Bless our Lodges, Shriners, our Hospitals and Ben Hur Nobles and Ladies.

Stay Ben Hur Proud
Chuck "Fester" Jones.

CHIEF RABBAN - heinemanja@yahoo.com

Hello All,

June has passed and we had a week or so off after TSA and then headed to Charlotte North Carolina for the Imperial Session on June 28. We dropped our puppies off at our daughters, spent the day with her family and headed to Charlotte on the 29th. We took 2 days to get there, had a nice drive and the weather was good, but the traffic was a mess on the Atchafalaya River Basin Bridge in Louisiana and a little way out of Charlotte. We made it to the hotel in Charlotte on July 1st, got our room and checked in for registration. The rest of the day was going to the marketplace and meeting up with our divan and hanging out. With around 4000 Shriners in attendance, the restaurant at the hotel was overwhelmed, service was very slow to almost nonexistent, but we survived.

July 2nd was the Public Opening and Imperial put on a good show. There were performances by several patients, and all did themselves proud, what a great show. They worked hard and gave a wonderful performance. After the opening, we went to our 2024 Reno Reception and watched a presentation for the 2024 Imperial Session along with food and drink and met with our Texas Counterparts, it was a nice evening. 2024 Imperial in Reno will be great with Imperial celebrating our 150th year.



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July 3rd started the day off with the Texas Breakfast and presentation of gifts to our Imperial Ladies. The morning started early, was in the room by 6 am. After breakfast, our Divan went to the Imperial Session. The Session lasted 3 full days starting on July 3rd and finished on July 6. We took part in the Imperial Session Parade on July 4 at the Zmax Dragway. Our Ladies were in the stands and made some noise when we passed by them, it was fun.

There was a Brewfest on July 2. Got to taste a couple beers, didn't stay out long, too hot to wait in line for the beers. On Wednesday, the 5th we were introduced to the National Patient Ambassadors, Gianna and Juan, what a great couple of young adults.

We were able to get good seats for the Joe Nichols concert on the last night. Then we met up with some of our Texas counterparts for a few drinks. Always fun with our Counterparts.

During the Session, Illustrious Sir Chuck and I voted on many items and the one that everyone was concerned about was the increase in our per-capita tax. The first vote failed and was brought up the next day to do a revote. There were amendments to the proposal and the result was the increase was changed to \$20 from \$30 which passed this time. It was a needed increase to make sure we were going to survive in the future.

The next Imperial Divan was voted on with everyone moving up and the new Imperial Outer Guard elected was our very own David Hamm from Sharon Shrine.

Congratulations goes out to Imperial Sir David; may your journey be a fun and rewarding one.

Congratulations to Imperial Ed and his First Lady, Jolynn, and the rest of the Imperial Divan

The drive home was good with a few rainstorms before we made it back to Texas. We picked up the puppies and made it back home safely and a bit tired.

Looking forward to our Pizza, Pitcher & Puzzle fundraiser on August 12th. Get your team together and join us for a fun afternoon. For more information see the flyer in the Chariot.

Signing off for now,

Ben Hur Proud!

James Heineman

Chief Rabban

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ASSISTAND RABBAN - jemcconnel@gmail.com

Nobles and Ladies

Well July started off with a 2800-mile trip to Charlotte for Shrine Imperial session. We were gone almost 2 weeks with side trips to Kentucky and Arkansas for short visits with family and friends on the return trip.



The Imperial session was a lot of fun and work. Meeting old and new friends, sitting in sessions, and watching business being done.

Congratulations to our new Imperial Potentate Ed Stolze and our other Imperial officers, and our new Imperial Outer Guard David Hamm from Sharon Shrine in Tyler, TX.

The one item affecting everyone will be the increase in dues to imperial by \$20. I know this will affect some people harder than others but it is necessary for Imperial to operate by the numbers presented.

August will be busy and hot as well, with parades in Johnson City and Fredericksburg, check the Chariot for other activities.

Remember Shriners come from your lodges, so be sure to support and attend your blue lodges.

Fraternally
 Jim McConnell
 Assistant Rabban



The Ben Hur Divan and Nobility congratulate Ill Sir, now Imperial sir David Hamm on his election to Imperial Outer Guard at the 2023 Imperial Session in Charlotte, N.C.

We wish you the best in the years to come and offer our support where ans when you need it.

HIGH PRIEST & PROPHET - charlesemaddox@gmail.com

Imperial is over and behind us! The Texas Breakfast was yet another success and enjoyable. I have no doubt my fellow Divan members will fill you in on the legislation passed and policies which now affect us.



Outside of Shrinedom, please join me in congratulating two deserving members of our Temple: Imperial Sir Jim Smith, and Noble Jeff "Cheeky" Schlieve. Imperial Smith was elected by the Scottish Rite Supreme Council for the Southern Jurisdiction to be coronated a Third-Third Degree (33^o) in the Scottish Rite for his service to Masonry and the Community as a whole. Noble Schlieve was elected to receive the Honorary Legion of Honor from the DeMolay International Supreme Council, the highest honor it can bestow. He too is so honored for his service to Masonry and the Community as a whole. He joins Imperial Smith as a fellow Honorary Legionnaire. Well done!

Foreigner will be performing at the Moody Center on Campus on Monday, August 14 at 7:00pm. Foreigner is always a great benefactor of the Children's Hospitals and let us show our support for them by helping at their concert! If you want to help fundraise for the hospitals and see Foreigner for free – maybe Know What Love Is – contact me about getting on the list. Thank you to those who helped volunteer for the Kid Rock concert! They can tell you the blast they had!

Finally, if you have not already, please RSVP to me to roast PGM Reese L. Harrison, Jr. The current Grand Master of Texas, M.: W.: G. Clay Smith, bought two tickets and 5-minutes worth of roast time. Time and seats are going fast!

Fraternally,
Charles E. Maddox, High Priest and Prophet
Ben Hur Shriners
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PER-CAPITA INCREASE PASSES AT IMPERIAL SESSION

Per Capita will increase by \$20 effective August 1, 2023. August 1st is the day each year when dues and assessments are posted. All dues and assessments for 2024 should be paid prior the then end of 2023. Per Capita is now \$50 per year, an increase of \$20.

If you wish to become a Life Per Capita Member, you have the option of making a one time payment that is 30 times the Per Capita Rate. (30 x \$50.00 = \$1500) Full Life Member varies according to age. The chart is on page 14.

ORIENTAL GUIDE - fred.maynard@gmail.com

Late June and July has been a busy Shrine month for me and Lady Traci. We ended June with a trip to our home in Kentucky, while there we had the wonderful opportunity to attend the Potentate's Ball celebration at El Hasa Shrine Temple in Ashland, KY. Illustrious Sir TJ Toler & Lady Tina had a wonderful weekend full of events that even included having a live camel at the Saturday afternoon luncheon before the Arabian Nights themed ball. We had the opportunity to meet and hangout with some of our OG counterparts from Kentucky, Tennessee, and Ohio.



We followed this up with an amazing trip to the Shiners Imperial Session in Charlotte where we met Shriners from all over the world.

Sitting in on the Imperial session business meetings was interesting and gave me some insight into how Shriners International operates. I attended two membership seminars, both of which dealt with how to form new clubs and units to meet the needs and wants of our membership. I attended a seminar on branding for Temples, Units, and Clubs. We also had the pleasure of attending the International Association of Legions of Honor meeting that was held during the Imperial session. If you have never had the opportunity to attend an Imperial Convention, you should make a plan to get there. There is so much fun and fellowship to have with our Shrine Brothers and their Ladies. It is always the first week in July so get out of the Texas heat and take a vacation. Next year's convention will be held in Reno, NV so it should be a great time.



Boaz the Camel



Our OG Counterparts from KY, OH, and TN

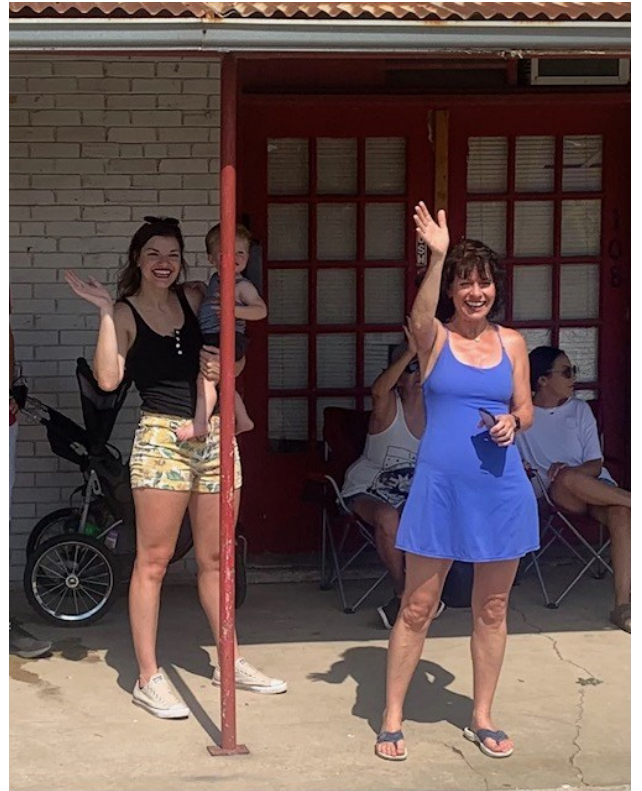


Ben Hur Ladies at Imperial Luncheon



Lady Traci & I going to the Joe Nichols Concert

LULING WATERMELON THUMP PARADE



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PIZZA, PITCHER & PUZZLE FUNDRAISER REGISTRATION



When: August 12, 2023 at 2pm

Where: Ben Hur Shrine Center



Kids, family & friends are all welcome!

\$40 per team

Your team of 4 will be given a large 2-topping pizza,
a pitcher of your favorite beverage & a 350 piece puzzle.

The team that finishes all 3 first wins!

If you have any questions or need help forming a team please contact
Chief Rabban James Heineman at heinemanja@yahoo.com

TEAM CAPTAIN CONTACT INFO:		
TEAM NAME:		
2 TOPPINGS:		
DRINK CHOICE: Soft Drink, Tea, Lemonade, Water		

The Ben Hur Carboys will have their homebrew available for a \$10 donation if you would prefer for your drink choice. Please note that above & include in your payment.

**Registration Due
Monday August 7, 2023**

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August 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2 RENTAL	3	4 Launch Pad TSMPA Obstacle Course	5 Carboys LOS Bingo
6 BHST Movie Sons of Herman	7 Texana 123	8 Charioteers Mini B RENTAL	9 Trailbalzers	10	11	12 Pizza, Pitcher and Puzzle FUNDRAISER
13	14	15 Directors Staff RENTAL	16 York Rite Off Site	17 Clowns	18	19 Blanco Fair Johnson City RENTAL
20 Q Ladies	21	22 RENTAL	23	24	25 Fredericksbe rg Parade	26 MASONIC ROAST
27 BHST Travel Club	28	29 RENTAL	30	31	BHST Travel Club	

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September 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 Launch Pad	2 Carboys RENTAL
3	4 Nile Dancers Texana 123	5 RENTAL	6 LOH RENTAL	7	8 LOS LOS Fashion Show	9
10 Sons of Herman	11	12 Mini-B Charioteers RENTAL	13 Trailblazers	14 Provost Guard HLSC	15	16 RENTAL
17 BHST Family Day	18	19 Directors Staff Provost RENTAL	20 Nile	21 BHS Stated Clowns Transporters Travel club	22	23
24 Travel Club	25	26 RENTAL	27 Unit Head Meeting	28	29	30 Oatmeal Festival

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IMPERIAL 2023 FUN



Endowment schedule for 2024. You can purchase all three, or one at a time. This is a great way to insure your dues are always current. Not to mention ignoring future increases.

IMPERIAL ENDOWMENTS

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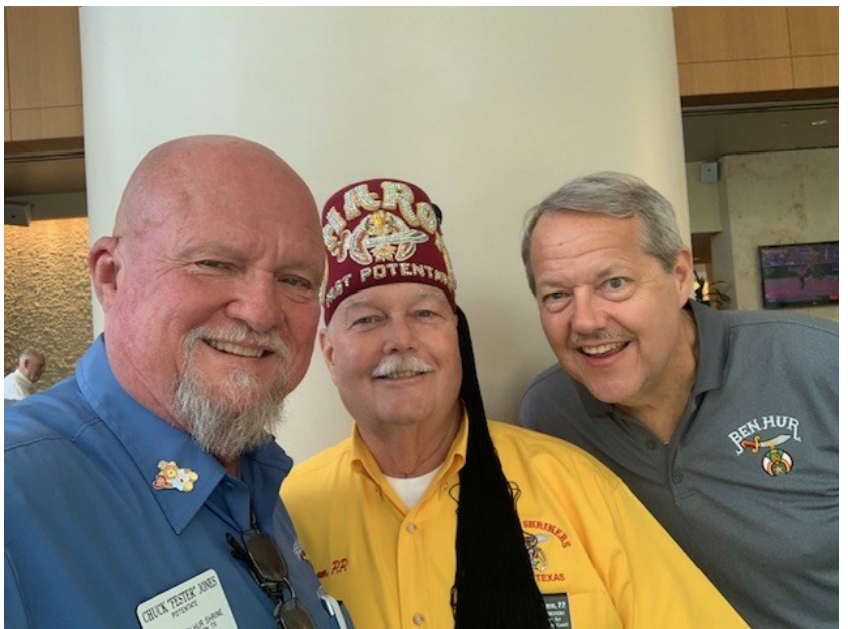
LIFE HOSPITAL ASSEMENT \$150

BEN HUR DUES ENDOWMENT

AGE UNDER 65 \$1900

AGE OVER 65 \$950

IMPERIAL 2023 FUN



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Saturday, August 5, 2023

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- Lunch
- Dessert
- Door prize tickets
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- Noon: Lunch is Served
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Friends and family welcome!
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HISTORY

Imperial Potentate Visits Ben Hur and Applauds Their Efforts in The War (1942)

Imperial Potentate Thomas Law of Atlanta, Georgia said that Shriners are doing their part to promote patriotism and an offensive instead of defensive attitude over the United States. Law said that while traveling the country he has seen places where there is too much complacency. While he does not name any of those places out of concern of being drawn into a controversy that some citizens seem to think of the war as being in foreign country. They need to realize that it is something that must be won.

Imperial Sir reports that 310,000 Shriners in North America are doing their part in the war effort. He said that Shriners all over the United States were sponsoring patriotic rallies, organizing home guard units and taking an active part in Savings Bond program. Along the coastal areas Shriners are serving guard duty. Have toured the state he was impressed with the fact that harbors, bridges and dams were carefully guarded.

The offensive attitude of Texans with their shipyards, oil industry, synthetic rubber plants and other rapidly growing industries will play a large role in winning the war.

While in Austin, the Imperial Sir toured the highland lakes with Potentate Thomas Green and Galloway Calhoun, Imperial Second Ceremonial Master. He commented favorably on these impressive projects that had been completed in the so recent past.

As a finale to his visit, Imperial Sir visited the Scottish Rite Dorm and Ben Hur Shrine Temple. The day culminated with a formal ball at the Stephen F. Austin Hotel.

Gene Freudenberg/Historian/PP
August 2023

SREKOJ

SREKOJ normal meetings are held at 6 PM before the stated meeting. All funny people are encouraged to attend. However, we will also be dark, like the Temple, until September. If anyone has any questions, feel free to contact me. I will keep yinz all in the loop of anything of importance. Thank you.

LMBO,
Macaroni



BEN HUR LIVING PAST POTENTATES

1989	Robert "Bob" Kelly
1991	Boyce Freitag
1995	Gene Freudenberg
1997	Ronald Harrison
2000	Loren Orme
2001	John E Waggoner, Jr
2002	Ronnie Lee
2004	Ronnie Jackson
2005	Silas Powell, Jr.
2007	Robert "Fred" Park, Jr
2008	Charles Farnham
2009	James Smith (PIP)
2010	Walter Sanders
2011	Michael Ford
2012	Edward Whitmore
2014	Thomas Hauss
2015	Edward Bromstad
2016	Earl Robertson
2017	Brad Cole
2018	Gregory Rye
2020	Romeo Denghel
2021	Romeo Denghel
2022	Dennis Motley

ASSOCIATED

1991	Eddie Daffern (Khiva)
1995	George Auer (El Kalah)

CHARIOT BOOSTER CLUB

Greg & Ann Murrow	04/35	Brenda Willis Scholin	12/23
Charles & Emily Maddox	07/27	Craig & Marlene Clark	11/23
Charlie & Betty Farnham	02/26	Prairie Lea Lodge #114	11/23
Brian & Carol Vance	12/25	Ron & Debbie Speaks	11/23
In Memory of Vernon Milton	11/25	Herb & Shirley Canada	11/23
David & Juanell Yeager	11/25	Andrea & Brad Cole, PP	10/23
Jim & Donna King	08/25	Margaret & Bob Kelly, PP	10/23
Jack O Neal	08/25	In Memory of Gail Carruth	09/23
In memory of Robert L. Ligon PP	04/25	Gerald "Jerry" Carruth	09/23
In memory of Byron Betncourt	03/25	WILCO Shrine Club	08/23
Al & Ellie Blaschke	02/25		
In Memory of Gus Carlson	02/25		
Doris Grabo	12/24		
Aggie & George Auer, PP	08/24		
Jerry & Bea Hohman	07/24		
'The Count' and Lady Denghel	07/24		
Chuck "Fester" & Pam Jones	06/24		
In Memory of Betty Anderson	06/24		
Stan Anderson	06/24		
In Memory of Don Lee	07/24		
Lenny and Lidia Bronik	05/24		
Bob Newlander	05/24		
John Casey			
In Memory of Judy Casey	04/24		
Boyce and Jody Freitag	04/24		
Margaret Shaffer	03/24		
Ricky Hayes & Angie Shaffer	03/24		
Tom & Judy Schneider	02/24		
Forest & Doris Cruse	02/24		
Cahrles Campbell	02/24		
Ralph & Vera Reasor	01/24		

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LEGION OF HONOR

A little boy was staring in wonder at the names on a plaque in an old church. The pastor noticed him and asked, "What are you looking at, my son?"

The boy replied, "All those names up there. Who are they?"

The pastor smiled and said, "Why they are the names of people from this congregation who died in the service."

The little boy thought for a moment and then asked very quietly, "Which one? The 9:00 or the 11:00 service?"

LOH has a busy schedule in the next few months. The Texas Association of the Legions of Honor (TALOH) is having a picnic at Old Settlers Park in Round Rock on 30 September (1000-1400). Arabia Shrine will host a Military Ball on October 14. The International Association Legions of Honor is preparing for the annual Laying of the Wreath at Arlington National Cemetery. This annual pilgrimage taking place the first weekend in November is open to all. Preparations are underway to set sail for the TALOH Mid-Winter Conference in Austin happening 29 February, register at <http://www.iaLOH.org/texas-association.html>

The Ladies of the Legion are taking care of their mental health and did some "Retail Therapy on 25 July. Our LOH couldn't function without the Ladies and their fellowship with each other!

The Ben Hur LOH was well represented by Noble Eddie Daffern, his Lady Shari, Our LOH Commander Noble Fred Maynard and Lady Traci, along with our First Lady Pam at the International Association Legions of Honor meeting. Noble Eddie helped with the Color Presentation at the Grand Opening along with International Officers and members of Oasis Shrine Patrol. They all had a great time and stayed busy every day.

Are you a Veteran of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard or Merchant Marine? If so, come on and spend some time with us at the LOH meeting happening the first Wednesday of every month at the Ben Hur Shrine Temple. We're taking a break for the summer but we'll be ready for action in September.

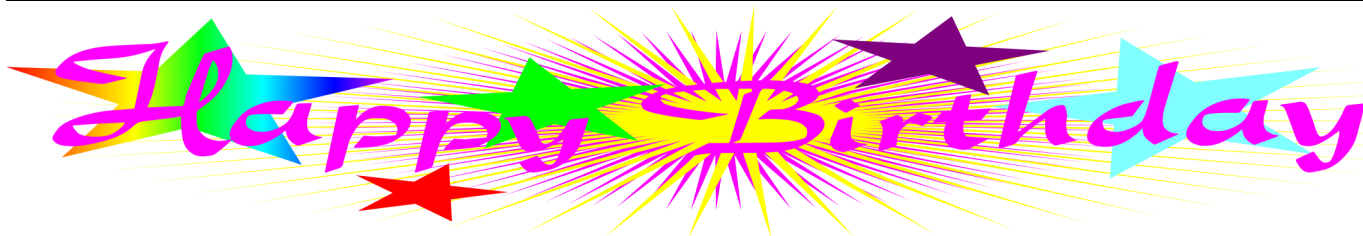
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BEN HUR NOBLES WITH BIRTHDAYS IN AUGUST

8/1 Vernon C Scott	8/9 Edwin R Lackey Roland D Fortenberry Jr Eric Torerson	8/17 Herbert H Canada	8/27 Thomas D Blackwell Raul J Scully
8/2 Edward E Berriman III	8/11 Raymond C Mathews Jr Dewey D Wells	8/20 Jimmy L Barho	8/29 Samuel E Taylor
8/3 Willis L Wood	8/13 Reuben D Wallace	8/22 Robert A Newlander	8/30 Joe D Smith
8/5 Andrew J McVeigh III John B Landolt Jr. Allen D Dugger	8/14 James F Crawford James R Lafosse William K Bennett	8/23 Allen D Dugger Willard M Miller	8/31 Billy F Stewart Charles K Davidson
8/6 Jerry C Comegys George W Schaller IV	8/16 James E McConnell Shane A Rawlings	8/24 John J Brassil	
8/7 David M Harnden Robert R Schier III		8/25 Ramon M Reyes Travis J Powell	
8/8 Gary H Kramer Ronald K Speaks Darren K Lewis		8/26 John A Barclay IV	