



AZAN Shrine Center News

Illustrious Sir
Danny Monk
Potentate 2024
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Serving Brevard and
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From the Potentate: Danny Monk



Nobles and Ladies:

I would like to first extend my congratulations to our new Divan members.

Also, to all the officers and units in the Shrine clubs. You all have done a great job and I look forward to a good year.

We have many events coming up this month so mark your calendars. February 1st is the stated meeting; ladies come and join the other ladies in the Oasis Lounge for a good time. February 5th is the Director Staff meeting at 7:30p.m. We will be having a Super Bowl Party in the Oasis Lounge on the 11th. Don't forget your sweethearts on February 14th-

Our Potentate Ball will be the weekend of the 15th-16th and we hope everyone comes out to join us. This year the ball will be a Sock Hop so pull out those 50's outfits and poodle skirts. Call the office and let them know if you will be coming and get your tickets. Friday night's dinner will be corn beef and cabbage, by Daryl Stewart. Dinner on the night of the ball will be prepared by our wonderful Shawn McGregor. We are looking forward to seeing everyone there.

Our First Lady Pat will be raising money for her project this year so let's help her reach her goal. She is aiming to replace the two signs high up on the front of the building and purchase a fish trier for the men. If you have any ideas on fund raisers, please let her know as she is open to suggestions.

Once again, I am looking forward to being your Potentate. If any of you have any ideas that you would like to share with me, please let me know.



Ill Sir Danny Monk and Lady Pat being escorted in for installaution on Friday night.



In Memoriam

The Divan and Nobility of Azan Shrine Center are saddened by the passing

Tom Ford

Bill Lowry

John Kerr

2024 DUES NOTICES HAVE BEEN EMAILED

U.S. MAIL COPIES COMING IN OCTOBER

Azan Dues \$ 60.00

SI Per Capita* \$ 50.00

Hosp Per Capita \$ 5.00

Total \$ 115.00

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*Note: Dues Can Be Paid on the Azan Website

The 2024 dues were due by 12/31/2023 if you have not remitted to-date, please do as soon as possible. Thank you!

Pay Dues: <https://www.azanshrine.org/dues-payments>

Important Upcoming Events

Divan Meeting, January 29th, 6:00 PM

Director Staff Meeting February 5th, 7:30 PM

Stated Meeting, February 1th, 7:00 PM

Refer to calendar on back page for additional events.

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Business/Stated Meeting FIRST Thursday monthly at 7 PM, Dinner at 6 PM, except July & August

Bring Your FEZ - Dues card and The Spirit of FUN and GOOD FELLOWSHIP in your HEART

By Order of: Danny Monk, Potentate

Attest: Ray Lynch, PP, Recorder

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and

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Meeting 1st Wednesday of each month

**AZAN // POTENTATES ESCORT
MEETS ON 4th WED.
EACH MONTH AT AZAN
OASIS LOUNGE**

7:00 PM



Directors Staff

We had a good meeting on January 8 to kick of the New Year. A very light attendance, I am sure due to the Football Championship game. The food, drinks and fellowship were enjoyed by all.

2024 Dues were brought to the attention of the membership, and many stepped forward and paid. Our annual dues are due by the end of January, but the Secretary was late on bringing it to the attention of the members, so the dues must be paid by the February Meeting.

There was a discussion concerning our very successful Turkey Roast in November. The final tally was announced, and we discussed ways to be even more successful this year. Noble Les had some great ideas that we can incorporate in November.

We also discussed the Paper Drive Solicitations for this year and how we can make it better. Noble Wally has stepped forward to be the Azan Shrine Chairman for the year.

There are tickets available for the Shriners car Raffle to benefit the Shriners Hospitals for Children. Drawing to be held on May 23, 2024. See Ill Sir Ray in the Shrine office. I also have tickets.

Our Vice President, Noble Ryan Fetscher made a report on our Annual Golf Tournament to be held on Sunday November 3, 2024. It will be at the same location as last year, Harbor City Golf Course on Lake Washington Road, Melbourne. This year's Tournament will be in Honor of Noble Tom Ford a Past Director of the Directors Staff, who we lost this past year.

On Sunday March 3, 2024, the Directors Staff will have a Low Country Boil for our members and their families plus invited guests at the Shrine Pavilion from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM. PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDERS. We will have final arrangements at our February Meeting.

The Directors Staff agreed to fry the fish and hush puppies at the Annual Azan Shrine Fish Fry on Sunday April 21. This has been our project every year.

Noble Henry announced the Lounge will have a Super Bowl Party on Super Bowl Sunday, February 11.

Under sickness and distress, please keep Noble Bill Wison and Larry Johnson in your thoughts and prayers.

As always, we invite the Nobility to attend our Monthly meetings for fun, fellowship and a great evening.

Carl E. Shultz, Sr
Secretary



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High Priest & Prophet

Well how the time surely goes by too fast. January came and went, and I surely hope everyone had a great time with all the activities. The installation of officers' and all the club's activities were very moving. And I would like to thank all that attended, we did have a good number of nobles there with all the ladies.

January 21 we held the annual memorial service to honor all our fallen nobles. Like so many years past we had far too many of our great friends that have laid down their working tools and made that last journey. In many years past I have been the Legion Commander for this service, but this year I was fortunate to see this from another viewpoint. In either case it was a very moving service. If you missed this, please try to make it next year. You surely will never forget the experience.

The year 2024 is rapidly spinning up to be a great year for Azan Shrine Center and I look forward to all we can do to make it a great year. I have been doing some thinking about the fund raiser we will need to do this year. It will most likely be a raffle for some type of travel voucher. I hope to be starting sales on this perhaps as soon as March or April. We will have several months to finish up sales, but we still need to be aggressive in this action.

Richard Earls HPP

Treasure

Brother Nobles,

It is an honor to serve Azan Shrine as your Treasurer. Thank you to Illustrious Sir George Goddard, PP for his many years of service. I am fortunate that he is always there to teach me the Quickbooks functions, which provide all the monthly financial reports. On occasion there are inquiries about Azan's finances from our members. Please free to contact me with any question and if there are any reports you'd be interested in reviewing. I'm here to serve you.

Fraternally,
Roger McKay, PP, Treasurer 2024

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Sebastian River Shrine Club



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Widows Club

AZAN Widows Club will meet on Wednesday, February 21st . Sign-in is at 11:15 with lunch (\$10) served at 11:30 am. Members will receive a phone call attendance.

We look forward to seeing old and new members. Any widow who would like to help us support the AZAN Transportation Fund with our dessert table at the annual AZAN Fish Fry is most welcome. We enjoy staying active and helping our shrine. All this for the children in their care. Call Judy Burr at 321-305-4540.

The AZAN Memorial Service was held on January 21st, and we hope there are some new widows who are interested in joining our friendly group. We have lunch and a short meeting on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at AZAN.

Judy Burr, Secretary

Oriental Guide

Mark Your Calendars! Azan Shrine Center's Fish Fry returns on April 21st! Calling all seafood lovers and Azan Shrine Center friends, family, and the public! Prepare to sink your teeth into the tastiest tradition of the year - the Azan Shrine Center's Fish Fry, returning on Sunday, April 21, 2024! Even if you do not like seafood, we will have something for you.

The Fish Fry is more than just a delicious meal; it celebrates community and camaraderie and supports a worthy cause. All proceeds from the event go directly towards the Azan Shrine Center to support our endeavors. More information will be distributed in the coming weeks. Together, we can make the Azan Shrine Center's Fish Fry a memorable day.

Do you have a special event coming up within your club or unit? We want to hear about it! Share your flyers and information with me, and I will work with our ILL, Sir Danny Monk, to get them showcased on the Azan Shrine Center's Facebook page. Let's use this platform to celebrate the diverse activities and achievements that make our Shrine family so vibrant. This also includes pictures of events and activities. Just email me at todd.forschino@gmail.com If I can support you, please reach out to me at any time.

Fraternally,
Todd Forschino
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Legion of Honor



January is being a busy month for the Legion of Honor. We participated in the installatin of a new Divan and new unit officers; escorting the Divan, and posting the colors for the Shrine events.

New Legion of Honor Officers include:

Commander – Wally Jones
1st Lt. Commander – Shawn Day Sr.
2nd Lt. Commander – Rick Shultz
3rd Lt. Commander – Don Daneau
Finance Officer – Don Fesser
Adjutant – Richard Earls
Quartermaster – Everett Morris
Chaplin – Everett Morris

The Legion of Honor was again the fortunate recipient of a gracious donation from Gloria Swanson to support upkeep of the Daughters of the Nile parade equipment, and we promptly approved a project to pursue upholstery renovation of the surrey.

Additionally, we will pursue maintenance of the Legion of Honor parade equipment to include replacing the failing wood deck of one of the trailers. There are opportunities for multiple 2024 parades including St. Patrick’s Day, 4th of July, Veteran’s Day and multiple Christmas parades, sponsors and weather permitting.

The Legion of Honor will participate in the Azan Memorial Service, as always.

Fraternally,
Wally Jones, Commander

Shriners Hospital Charity

Nobles,

As this collection season begins for the Shriner’s Hospital Charity, I have a few thoughts. When we wear the title of “Shriner”, we need to have done somethings during the year to earn the title.

Such as:

1. Participating in the Shrine’s fund-raising activities to keep the Azan Shrine solvent.
2. Attending the stated meetings.
3. Supporting our units and clubs and supporting the Shriner’s Hospital Charity.

What do you plan on doing this year to support our Shrine and our charity?

As Shriner’s we take an oath to support our charity. There are several ways we can do this. We can find ways to begin the collection activities that escaped us during Covid, and we can donate to the charity like the Sebastian River Shrine Club does, or we can personally donate to the charity. It’s a start but all of it will help our kids.

We need new ideas to gather funds. Noble Dave Search has suggested donating some of his wood projects for auctions at our fund-raising events with the profit going to the charity.

I hope you will keep the charity in your thoughts during the year while remembering your oath.

Thank you from the children for your support. If there is something I can help you with please contact me.

Shriners Hospital Charity Chairman
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Do not have to be present to win.

Proceeds benefit “Azan Shrine Center”

Florida Registration number: CH2867 “A copy of the official registration and financial information may be obtained from the Division of Consumer Services by calling toll free (800-435-7352) within the state.

Contact any member of the Divan or call the office for tickets.



*Divan being sworn in:
 Chief Rabban Kevin Smithwick, Assistant Rabban Chris Durie, High Priest and Prophet Richard Earls, Oriental Guide Todd Forschino, Treasure Roger McKay, and Recorder Ray Lynch*



Clubs and Unit officers being sworn in for 2024.



Lady Pat ceremonially placing the fez on Ill. Sir Danny Monk, Potentate for 2024

Glad Tidings



We're opening an area where you can announce "glad tidings" about friends, family, your vacation or better yet, a great idea for a vacation; anything you want to share the joy. Here's a start for you...

February

Happy Birthday to:

Dennis D Meadows
2/1/1954
Peter M Super
2/2/1955
Gregory A Seaman
2/4/1962
Walter N Milton
2/5/1962
John W Walker Sr.
2/7/1937
Roger E McKay
2/7/1943
Gerald J Steffen
2/9/1949
Paul D Reese
2/9/1951
Charles A Sikes
2/10/1951
Kelly Q Dietrich
2/11/1960
William P Danko
2/11/1961
Daniel T Britt
2/12/1938
Alfred R Delp
2/14/1941
Jon Farmer
2/14/1973
Ralph Cox
2/16/1931
Robert F Ewald
2/16/1933
John Maynard
2/16/1934
Kenneth H Kelley
2/16/1949
Kevin D Smithwick
2/16/1979
Robert K Cooper
2/17/1944
Jackie L Allen
2/17/1952
Henry L Engel Jr
2/19/1984
Dennis J Charbonneau
2/20/1946
Carson A Justice
2/20/1948
Leslie L McMahon
2/21/1939
Alan A Bunch
2/21/1960
Martin W Lehtio
2/22/1935
Shawn P Day Sr
2/22/1956
Jack S Jones
2/22/1975

Billy E Sheffield
2/23/1937
Thomas K Mullins
2/23/1962
Robert Grohall
2/24/1942
Robert E Wicker II
2/24/1966
Jon F Egerton
2/25/1946
David W Drury
2/26/1941
Danny L Monk
2/26/1947
Jeffrey S Wells
2/26/1962
Doughlas M Setzer
2/27/1987
Wayne W Clark
2/28/1951
Vern H Sipe
2/29/1940

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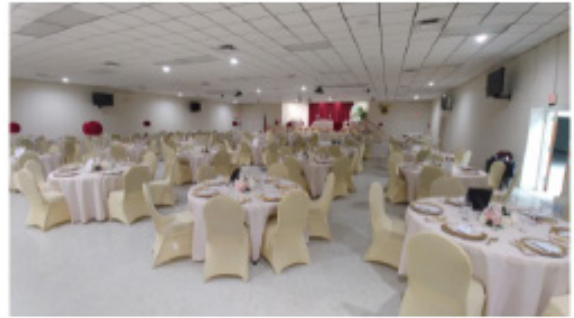
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
				1 SBSC Meeting 11:30 AM Stated Meeting 7:00 PM	2 TGIF Dinner 6:00 PM NBSC TGIF 6:00 PM	3		
4	5 Director's Staff - 7:30 PM	6 SRSC 11:30 AM IRSC - 7:00 PM	7 NBSC 7:00 PM NBSC Golfers after Club Meeting	8 SBSC Meeting 11:30 AM LON 3:00 PM	9 TGIF Dinner 6:00 PM Sahib Ball	10 Sahib Ball		
11 Melbourne Coin Show 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM Super Bowl - Oasis Lounge	12 LOS Meeting 6:30 PM	13 CBSC Meeting 7:00 PM	14 Ladies Night Out NBSC 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM	15 SBSC Meeting 11:30 AM	16 TGIF Dinner 6:00 PM Watercolor Show Egypt Ball	17 Watercolor Show Egypt Ball		
18 Watercolor Show	19 DON Meeting 7:00 PM NBSC Medics 6:30 PM	20	21 Widows 11:30 AM	22 SBSC Meeting 11:30 AM Gourd Show	23 TGIF Dinner 6:00 PM Gourd Show Shaddai Ball	24 Gourd Show Shaddai Ball		
25 Gourd Show	26	27	28 Potentate's Escort 7 PM	29				