

THE BOERNE SHRINE CLUB



Serving Kids from the Heart of the Texas Hill Country



Who's coming to the Boerne Shrine Club Christmas Party?



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November 15th Dinner Meeting

SOCIAL HOUR AND DINNER: After an hour of socializing interspersed with members enjoying everything from fajitas to tacos to even spinach enchiladas, President Gary Bausell opened the September meeting at 7:03 pm. He welcomed those present and had Chaplain Bill Mayo ask God's blessing on our meal and meeting. He then led the group in Pledging Allegiance to our nation's flag.

There were 20 members and guests present.

BUSINESS MEETING:

Introductions:

- Illustrious Sir Gary Radvansky, Alzafar's Potentate and his Lady Cheryl
- Noble Jason Triggs, Alzafar's Chief Rabban and his Lady Cynthia
- Noble Miguel Inclan (from Laredo, now living in Boerne, and the newest member of our club.)

Minutes: The October 2017 meeting minutes were approved as published in the November newsletter.

Claims & Accounts:

Fraternal Activities: Treasurer Abb Kestler reported that the Frost Bank Fraternal account had a beginning balance **\$5,802.82** (as of our October meeting). After depositing **\$28** in 50/50 income, it had an ending balance of **\$5,830.82**.

Charity/Hospital Account: The Frost Bank account for Charity/Hospital activities had its second Magic Show deposit of **\$2,900** with a corresponding commission payment of **\$1,160** check and a Bank Activity Fee of **\$10**. The current balance is **\$14,041.45**.

Total: Both accounts total **\$19,872.27**.

After a motion and second by the "Nobles Bob" (Tucker and Easterling), the Treasurer's report was accepted pending audit.

Correspondence: N/A

Sickness & Distress:

President Bausell noted that Alzafar held its annual Memorial Service on Sunday, November 12th to remember and honor the 72 Nobles who passed in the last year. Sadly, included were our much-missed members Howard "Dutch" Hutsell and Lewis "Nuckles" Gimbel.

OLD BUSINESS:

Children's Magic Show: President Bausell reminded everyone that our show is scheduled for 6 pm, Saturday, December 16th, at Champion High School and that since it's a weekend we will need everyone there (with fezzes) at least 30 minutes before then to help welcome and direct the kids and adults. He will be there by 5 pm to meet and help "CJ" (the Magician) get in and setup.

December 20th Christmas Dinner: President Bausell reported that reservations have been confirmed for the Dienger Trading Co. & Café. Following our usual meeting schedule, we will meet at 6:00 pm for fellowship and dinner with the installation of our 2018 officers starting at 7:00. He encouraged everyone to come and help celebrate this year's accomplishments.

The club is paying half the cost resulting in a \$15 charge per diner. Please contact Secretary/Treasurer Kestler to make reservations. We need a headcount. To make this

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION **Next Meeting**

**Dec 20, 2017
@ 6:00 PM**

Contact Secretary For Reservations

Dienger Trading Company

**210 N Main St.
(830) 331-2225**



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easier, call at 210.573.7448 or email Noble Kestler (abb@kestler.org) to make the reservations and if you don't see him before December 20th, you can pay "at the door."

VP Carder mentioned that we have had gift exchanges in past years and said that he was available to manage another. The group's consensus was that the exchange would be voluntary and that if you wanted to participate, gifts would be limited to \$20. To get in on the exchange, simply bring a gift to trade for a ticket.

Nominating Committee: The committee, consisting of Nobles Bill Carder, Clarence Smith and Bob Tucker, reported that they had nominations for two of our three elected offices:

Vice President – Arthur "Bubba" Peel
Secretary/Treasurer – Abner "Abb" Kestler

After receiving no additional nominations, both were elected by the membership.

When nominations were solicited for President, Noble Jason Triggs proposed our newest member **Noble Miguel Inclan**. Noble Inclan is a past president of the Laredo Shrine Club; has been honored as an "Alzafar Shriner of the Month"; and is finishing out his year as Master of Laredo #547. Noble Inclan is a very active and enthusiastic Mason and Shriner.

There being no other nominations and after confirming that he was willing to serve, **Noble Inclan was unanimously elected to serve as our 2018 President.**

These new officers will be installed at the December 20th meeting. Our Potentate, Illustrious Sir Radvansky has graciously agreed to serve as Installing Officer.

NEW BUSINESS:

Scam Warning: Recently, someone called Lady Ann Easterling asking her to donate to schools via the Boerne Shrine Club. They were going to send an envelope in which to mail her donation. No mention of tickets, etc. When she said that her husband (Noble Bob) was a member, the conversation quickly ended.

We emailed members as well as put a warning on our website in case someone is curious as to find who or what we are. Let an club officer know if you experience or hear of anything similar. It would be helpful to learn where these people want the donation mailed.

Illustrious Sir Radvansky said that he would pass on the warning to other clubs/units.

Boerne Star Notice: Sec/Treasurer Kestler said that in response to Noble Paul Lemon's comment on out of date information in the *Boerne Star's* Ongoing Community Notices, he had called the paper and changed the contact phone number to our website address. He will also change the webpage to reflect the venue of the upcoming meeting.

Alzafar Dues Cards: Noble Bob Easterling mentioned that he had paid his Alzafar dues and was expecting a new 2018

card. As a cost saving measure, renewing Nobles are not getting new cards; instead they get stickers to update their existing cards. Not realizing this, Noble Easterling threw away his "old" card and now needs a replacement.

Door Prizes: The lucky winners were **Ladies Judy Vaughan, Suzanne Smith, and Cynthia Triggs.**

Birthdays & Anniversaries: We have two anniversaries and one birthday in November.

- Illustrious Sir Gary and Lady Cheryl Radvansky and Noble Clarence and Lady Susanne Smith are celebrating November anniversaries
- Lady Cindy Bausell's birthday is on November 24th

All were serenaded and wished very a happy anniversaries and birthday!

50/50 Drawing: The \$30 winner was Noble Bob Tucker who generously donated his winnings back to the club.

GOOD OF THE CLUB:

President Bausell reviewed the upcoming Shrine and local Masonic calendar again noting that our December 20th meeting will be at the **Dienger Trading Co. & Café** on Main.

REMARKS:

Chief Rabban Jason Triggs: Noble Triggs expressed his admiration for our club. He said we always step up to the tasks when Alzafar needs help. He is thankful for our help! Noble Triggs confirmed that he will be available to continue serving Alzafar as Potentate.

Illustrious Sir Gary Radvansky: Illustrious Sir Radvansky also expressed his appreciation for our club and the other Alzafar units and family. In conversations he uses the BSC as a positive example.

He noted that Alzafar has one more 2017 parade. It is the December 9th Christmas Sattler "Family" Parade and asked us to help make it a fun day.

He reminded us that he only has 6 weeks left as our leader. The Alzafar Stated Meeting and elections will be at Alzafar's December 14th stated meeting. There are three candidates for Oriental Guide, so it should be anything but boring.

Alzafar's always fun Children's Christmas Party will be in the Ballroom from 2 – 4 pm on December 17th. Bring the kids and grandkids to see Santa.

He closed by encouraging the Boerne Shrine Club to keep up its good work.

CLOSING: President Bausell asked Noble Bill Mayo to offer a Benediction and adjourned the meeting.



Paraprosdokians

Paraprosdokians are figures of speech in which the latter part of a sentence or phrase is surprising or unexpected and is frequently humorous. (Winston Churchill loved them).

1. Where there's a will, I want to be in it.
2. The last thing I want to do is hurt you ...but it's still on my list.
3. Since light travels faster than sound, some people appear bright until you hear them speak.
4. If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong.
5. We never really grow up - we only learn how to act in public.
6. War does not determine who is right, only who is left.
7. Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit. Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.
8. To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism. To steal from many is research.
9. I didn't say it was your fault, I said I was blaming you.
10. In filling out an application, where it says, "In case of emergency, notify.." I answered "a doctor."
11. Women will never be equal to men until they can walk down the street with a bald head and a beer gut, and still think they are sexy.
12. You do not need a parachute to skydive. You only need a parachute to skydive twice.
13. I used to be indecisive, but now I'm not so sure.
14. To be sure of hitting the target, shoot first and call whatever you hit the target.
15. Going to church doesn't make you a Christian, any more than standing in a garage makes you a car.
16. You're never too old to learn something stupid.
17. I'm supposed to respect my elders, but it's getting harder and harder for me to find one now.

GRAMMAR LESSON

No English dictionary has been able to adequately explain the difference between these two words. In a recent linguistic competition held in London and attended by, supposedly, the best in the world, Samdar Balgobin, a Guyanese man, was the clear winner with a standing ovation which lasted over 5 minutes.

The final question was: 'How do you explain the difference between **COMPLETE** and **FINISHED** in a way that is easy to understand? Some people say there is no difference between **COMPLETE** and **FINISHED**.

Here is his astute answer:

"When you marry the right woman, you are **COMPLETE**. When you marry the wrong woman, you are **FINISHED**.

"And when the right one catches you with the wrong one, you are

COMPLETELY FINISHED!"

He won a trip around the world and a case of 25 year old Scotch.



Why is it that our children can't read a Bible in school, but they can in prison?

A completely brilliant question!

November Door & 50/50 Prize Winners!



Lady Susanne Smith



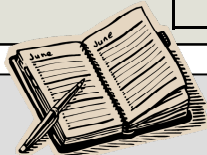
Lady Judy Vaughan



Lady Cynthia Triggs



Noble Bob Tucker



December Boerne Masonic Calendar

- ◆ **Boerne #200 OES Stated Meeting:** Tuesday, December 5th at 7:30 pm, Kendall Lodge
- ◆ **Brownwood Commandery #22 Dinner/Stated Conclave:** Wednesday, December 6th at 6:00 & 7:00 pm, Kendall Lodge
- ◆ **Alzafar Stated Meeting & Elections:** Thursday, December 14th at 7:30 pm, Alzafar Ballroom
- ◆ **Nekodah Temple Stated Meeting:** Thursday, December 14th at 7:30 pm, Alzafar Parlors
- ◆ **Kendall Lodge #897/OES 200 Christmas Party:** Friday, December 15th at 6:30, Kendall Lodge
- ◆ **Boerne Shrine Club Magic Show:** Saturday, December 16th at 6:00 pm, Boerne Champion High School
- ◆ **Kendall Lodge #897 Dinner/Stated Meeting:** Monday, December 18th at 6:30 & 7:30 pm respectively
- ◆ **Boerne Shrine Club Christmas Meeting/Party:** Wednesday, December 20th at 6:00 pm, Dienger Trading Co., 210 N. Main (Blanco Road & N. Main Street)



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Carder, Kestler, & Bausell

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President's Corner

All of us working together for the kids is how this all happens... It's not magic or rocket science...

BSC Nobles and Ladies,

I thank all of you who came to our November 16th Stated Meeting at El Rio Mexican Restaurant. We had a good time, good food, and great fellowship

Don't Forget what we Accomplished this Year:

- IHOP Pancake Day at the Rim
- The Southern Bluegrass Gospel Show with "The Marksmen"
- Our Boerne Street Collection Day for the Children's Hospitals & Transportation Fund
- Donation of \$10,000 to Alzafar's Hospital Transportation Fund
- Bob Easterling led our Circus Ad Sales effort this year to over \$3,200
- Kendall County Fair Parade Tailgate Party

Still Coming:

- The Magic Show for Children – Saturday, December 16, 2017 @ 6:00 PM in the Champion High School Auditorium. Please be there in the 5:15-5:30 time frame to greet our guests.
- Our Christmas Party on December 20th at the Dienger Trading Co. & Café. This was the overwhelming choice of the members. We decided that the Club will split the tab with you so it will only cost \$15 per person for the meal, including gratuity. Adult beverages are extra. If you have a reservation, you can pay at the door. We will have a Chinese Auction with 1 gift per person or couple with a maximum \$20 cost.
- 2018 Officer Installation – Congratulations to our newly elected 2018 officers. They are President – Michael Inclan, Vice President – Bubba Peel, and continuing at Secretary/Treasurer – Abb Kestler. Thank each of you for your service next year. Installation will follow the December 20th Dinner.

Also remember that we want to add new members. How?... read below!

- **First**, we need to get all of our members there on a pretty regular basis. Sickness, trips, etc. will always keep some away, but if most of you are there we will be fine.
- **Second**, we need Masons in the area to join the Shrine and then join our Club with their wives.
- **Third**, we need to get newly raised Masons to join.
- **Last**, we need to get Nobles in the area to join the Boerne Shrine Club and work with us.

Do you know someone who fits one of these categories? **Have you talked with them about the Boerne Shrine Club** and invited them to attend with you?

Remember that if you have an idea about the club or a fundraiser you want us to consider, then give it to a member of the Board of Directors and we'll talk about it with you. We are planning on meeting on the 2nd Wednesday of the month and will be glad to consider any suggestion you have.

As I have said before, come and join us for a good time. If you're not at the meeting you'll have to wait until the newsletter to find out what you missed --- so why wait! Thank You, and we hope to see you on the Third Wednesday of the Month.

You know that we meet on the 3rd Wednesday of every month. **So mark it on your calendars and come fellowship, socialize, or whatever you want to call it.** Good Food, Good Company, Excellent Philanthropy!

Gary L. Bausell

Editor's Note: Photos published in this newsletter and many more dating back more than 10 years are available at:

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