

Karem Karavan
April 2025



**HAPPY
EASTER**

Upcoming Events:

April 11th- Burgers & Bingo

April 25th- Fish Fry

May 3rd- Nobility Ball

May 9th -Burgers & Bingo

May 23rd- Fish Fry

May 30th- Golf Tournament





Karem Shrine

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2025 Potentate
Illustrious Sir Justin B. Duty

2025 Divan

Chief Rabban-Travis Roberson
Assistant Rabban-Robert Barben
High Priest & Prophet-Kenny Steinocher
Oriental Guide-Paul Hill
Treasurer-Ray Pugh
Recorder-Rob Smith

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Email your articles, pictures, flyers etc. to
karemshrinekaravan@gmail.com

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April 23, 2025

Karem Shrine's next Stated Meeting will be
held on **Thursday April 17, 2025**
Your 2024 Dues card is **REQUIRED**





Pote's Notes

Nobles,

We just finished another busy month at Karem Shrine. Thank you to everyone who attended our March Festive Board meeting. It was a great night, and if you were not there you'll have another chance to attend our awards night Festive Board in June. I hope to see everyone at the annual Easter Egg Hunt where we will be debuting our new playground. We owe a big thanks to all the nobles and ladies who worked so hard to make sure this project was completed in time for Easter. Thanks to all who helped! Camp cleanup was also a big success. We have made a lot of improvements in the campground this year and there are still more improvements to come! Stay tuned!

Fraternally
Justin Duty

Some of the Karem Divan attended the Board of Govenors Meeting in March and presented the check on behalf of the Love to the Rescue fundraiser in the amount of \$65,000. A huge thanks to all those that worked to make the event such a huge success.



KAREM SHRINERS ANNUAL

Easter Egg Hunt

**SATURDAY, APRIL 19TH
12:00 PM TO 3:00 PM**

FREE

*Bring your own basket
Egg hunt is for kids 12 & under
Food & Drinks provided*

FREE

**KAREM SHRINE KAMPGROUND
400 KAREM CIRCLE, WACO, TX**

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
FOOD ~ PHOTO OPS ~ PRIZES
Hosted by Karem Directors Staff**





BINGO SCHEDULE



March 14	Motor Escorts
April 11	Texas T's
May 9	Karem Cowboy's
June 13	Classic Cars
July 11	LOH & Duffers
August 8	Gunrunners
October 10	Director's Staff
November 14	Divan (Ham & Turkey)

Host Unit(s) Duties:

Provide workers to ensure set-up is complete by 5pm.

- Help set-up four rows of three rectangle tables with chairs on the dance floor area.
- Help set-up stage area with two rectangle tables, 2 chairs and bingo ball machine
- Help set-up one rectangle table with 2 chairs in foyer.
- Help ensure four circular tables minimum on each side of the dance floor with 6 chairs each.
- Help wipe off tables and put chairs on circular tables.
- Help wipe off rectangle tables, stack the chairs in hallway or back area and put the rectangle tables in the back storage area.
- Help empty trash in the ballroom, put fresh garbage bags in the containers and take trash to dumpster
- Help put Bingo machine back in closet.

Host Unit will be responsible for furnishing:

Desserts for 175 people

Host Unit duties are:

- Set up tables with tablecloths and chairs in ballroom/saloon by 5pm.
- Set up in Saloon , tea, water, cups, ice, sugar and sweet n low.
- Set up dessert plates, forks, and service utensils at dessert tables.
- Provide workers for serving drinks and report low tea to kitchen staff.
- Provide workers to cut and serve desserts in Saloon area.
- Provide workers to clean, sanitize tables, and stack chairs on tables.
- Take trash to dumpsters from bathrooms, kitchen, ballroom and saloon.
- Host units may have a raffle for their fundraising in the ballroom.

FISH FRY SCHEDULE



February 28	Motor Escorts
March 28	Director's Staff
April 25	Texas T's
May 23	Karem Cowboy's
June 27	Classic Cars
July 25	LOH & Duffers
August 22	Gunrunners
September 24	Drifters
October 24	Karem Karacters

Karem head chef Dolan Spencer will have his crew cook the food, serve and clean kitchen. Any and all help is appreciated!

PLEASE NOTE-THE TABLES AND CHAIRS, CONDIMENTS ETC., CAN NOT START BEING PUT AWAY UNTIL 7:30PM WHEN THE FISH FRY ENDS. WE DON'T WANT PEOPLE FEELING THEY HAVE TO LEAVE BEFORE THEN.

PLEASE COME OUT AND SHOW YOUR SUPPORT TO YOUR TEMPLE! THESE EVENTS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. SO, EVEN IF YOU CAN'T ATTEND, PLEASE SHARE THE INFORMATION WITH FRIENDS, FAMILY, CO-WORKERS, ETC.

That's Amore!

CELEBRATE ITALIAN STYLE AT
THE KAREM SHRINE

Nobility Ball

SATURDAY 3RD MAY

400 KAREM CIRCLE

6:00 in the evening

FORMAL ATTIRE
DINNER INLCUDED



\$40 PER COUPLE
RSVP REQUIRED



Do you like to host dinner parties?
Do you like to decorate?
If so, then we need you!



Karem Divan Ladies is hosting a fundraiser in August called "Love in Action" and we need Table Hostesses. If you would like to know what it is all about, then join us on April 22, 2025 for an informational meeting. It will be held at Karem in the upstairs ladies room at 6:30pm. Snacks and drinks provided. If you have a friend, family member, co-worker or anyone that you know that would be interested then please bring them along as well.

Come check it out and let your creativity run free!



**Proceeds are for the benefit of
Shriners Hospital for Children**

Happenings around Karem during March

March 15, 2025
St. Patty's Day Dance
50's Theme



Camp Clean-up

Thank you to all that helped make camp clean-up such a great success.
The campgrounds are looking great!



Happenings around Karem during March

At March stated meeting there was a Festive Board held. We were happy to welcome in a new Noble into the Shrine. We also had one of our transportation kiddos family come and speak. Thank you to Dolan for the great meal.



A special congratulations to Noble John Brooks on receiving the Golden Trowel from Crawford Lodge



Head Chef Dolan serving Noble Johnny Price some of his delicious fries!



Tri-County Shrine Club hosted their monthly meeting on Tuesday March 25 at the Buffalo Masonic Lodge. They played bingo and had a great fellowship.



Happenings around Karem during March

On April 30, 2025 the Tumbleweeds had a Social.
They enjoyed some great fellowship and food!



Clubs or Units

If you have any club/unit meetings, socials, parties etc. that you would like to share in the Karavan, you can send them to karemshrinekaravan@gmail.com and I will put them in the Karavan. You can also share any fundraising flyer or event that your club or unit is hosting. Those will need approval prior to being put in the Karavan.



Shrine Clubs Spotlight

Did you know we have three Shrine clubs that meet monthly?

If not then please see the information below. These Nobles meet in their areas since they are not able to always make it in to Karem for stated meetings. These clubs hold Red-Fez canister collections, proceeds of which benefit Shriner's Children's Healthcare Network as well as Karem's Hospital Transportation Fund. I am sure they would love for you and your lady to join them if you have a chance.

Cove Oasis Shrine Club

Meets the last Monday of every month. They meet at 6pm to eat and meeting starts at 7pm. They meet at the Lil-Tex restaurant in Copperas Cove.

Contact: John 254-392-1270



Tri-County Shrine Club

Meets the Fourth Tuesday of the month. The location does vary. Next meeting is scheduled for April 22, at The Farmhouse in Mexia.

Contact: Noble Richard Gillet
903-388-0576

Tem-Bell Shrine Club

Meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 11am

Clem Mikeska's Bar-B-Q

Contact: G. Roger Daniel, P.P. 254-760-5151





mimisfamilyfaves@gmail.com
Text (254) 450-5605 to pre-order.

Cookies

\$3 each or \$25 for 12 Cookies

Dubai Chocolate
Cookie Monster
Red Velvet Oreo
Orange Slice
OG Chocolate Chip
Cosmic Brownie
Banana Pudding
Dunkaroos
Tea Cake Cookies

Mini Loaf Cakes

\$5 each or \$25 for 6 Cakes

Cosmic Brownie
Dubai Chocolate
Carrot Cake
Red Velvet
Vanilla
Chocolate

Malachi, is having SDR surgery at Texas Children's in Houston May 15th.

Selective dorsal rhizotomy is a nerve surgery that permanently decreases high muscle tone, or spasticity. During a rhizotomy, a surgeon cuts specific nerves in the spinal canal contributing to the child's spasticity.

Malachi will be in the hospital 3 to 4 weeks and then will have intensive physical therapy so he can retrain his brain and legs on how to walk again.

Fundraiser to be announced at later date.
Come by and support Malachi.
April 11th & May 9th
@ 5:30 pm
Karem Shrine * 400 Karem Circle * Waco, TX





KAREEM —VENUES—








PUBLIC/NOBLE RENTAL RATES-2024

	<u>PUBLIC</u>	<u>NOBLE</u>
Ballroom	\$2500.00	\$1200.00
Deposit	\$550.00	\$225.00
Patio- all day	\$400.00	\$200.00
6 hrs.	\$300.00	\$150.00
4 hrs.	\$200.00	\$100.00
Deposit	\$125.00	\$65.00
Pavilion	\$250.00	\$125.00
Club/Units		\$125.00
Deposit	\$75.00	\$25.00
Cookshack/Tumbleweed	\$200.00	\$100.00
RV Site	\$20/day	\$15/day
RV Storage w/o water & Elect	\$20/day	\$5/day

**For more information or to reserve
a rental please contact
rentals@kareemshriners.com
254-848-5600**








**Past
Potentates of
Karem Shrine**

 1919-1920 Thomas F. Bush
 1921 William A. Parker
 1922 James H. Lockwood
 1923 Frank M. Miller
 1924 E.D. Burchett
 1925 W.E. Gaylord
 1926 L.C. Puckett
 1927 G.H. Zimmerman
 1928 Gallaway Calhoun
 1929 Frank Holg
 1930 A.C. Uplegger
 1931 Lee Dewey
 1932 William D. Lacy, Jr
 1933 Albert T. Clifton
 1934 M.T. Bell
 1935 John C. Calhoun
 1936 Rolla S. Greig
 1937 John Maxwell
 1938 H.L. Turner
 1939 H.F. Hellmuth
 1940 June F. Holderman
 1941 T.M. Gribble
 1942 George H. Rohan
 1943 William L. Baine
 1944 Giles P. Lester
 1945 Charles E. Miller
 1946 Bryan W. Payne
 1947 Lee Lockwood
 1948 Alva Bryan
 1949 L.M. Crow
 1950 Sam Darden
 1951 John C. Young
 1952 C.V. Anderson
 1953 S.P. Hooker
 1954 Vernon Cole

 1955 Clarence C. Burnett
 1956 Charles R. Embry
 1957 M.S. Brooks, Jr
 1958 Joe H. Craven
 1959 Roy C. Thomson
 1960 Harold O. Clark
 1961 Henry H. Spragins
 1961 William Quebe
 1962 L. Neil Gatley
 1963 Arthur Williams, Jr.
 1964 John R. Rogers
 1965 A.C. Hicks
 1966 Bill R. Baggett
 1967 I. Winthrop Sealey
 1968 Stanley G. Jayroe
 1969 Joe Sawyer
 1970 Bill Meadows
 1971 M.A. Taylor
 1972 O.I. "Ike" Carroll
 1973 Tom Griffith
 1974 Charles A. Call
 1975 Bill Buzzee
 1976 Bill Doshier
 1977 Dick Clark
 1978 David Keathley
 1979 Cecil Johnson
 1980 Porter Ridlehuber
 1981 James W. Hunt
 1982 Bill G. McClain
 1983 Bill Price
 1984 Cecil E. Denison, Sr.
 1985 C.E. Howard, Jr.
 1986 Alfred C. Johnson
 1987 John D. Pippin
 1988 Bobby G. Graham

 1989 W.O. "Bill" Griffin
 1990 C.M. "Dub" Garner
 1991 Nolan H. Flowers
 1992 Roy H. MacKenzie
 1993 Aubry Ray Farris
 1994 Jack Hawkins
 1995 Jake Roberts
 1996 George Brinegar
 1997 H.W. Lockridge
1998 Ralph Reynolds
 1999 Mel Baker
2000 John Bryant
2001 Larry Cantwell
 2002 Oran C. "Boots" Baker
2003 Osborn "Salty" Brown
2004 Greg "Snake" McEwen
 2005 Frank D. Fisk
2006 G. Roger Daniel
2007 Robert L. "Bob" White
2008 Glen Boyd
 2009 J.A. "Jay" Baker
2010 James Koehler
2011 David Buckles
2012 Larry J. Taylor
 2013 A. Sam Moore
 2014 Tom Young
2015 Robert L. "Bob" White
2016 Bruce Bubel
2017 Tommy Grusendorf
2018 Larry Johnson
2019 James R. "Jim" Pless
2020 B. Lynn Everett
2021 Steve L. Everett
2022 Thad Barker
2023 Justin B. Duty
2024 Yancy Marteney




April

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
30 	31	1 6pm - Lockwood Lodge	2	3 APRIL SHOWERS Bring MAY FLOWERS	4	5 Memorial for Crawford	
1 Jason Brown 4 Robert Welliver Ronald Dansby 5 Cameron Talbert Greggory Threat	6 Bugs Blues & Bikes	7	8 6:30pm - Karem Cowboys  	9	10	11 5:30pm - Burgers & Bingo	12 Ballroom rented
6 Thad Barker David Buckles Michael Mayfield 7 James Stacy 8 Jared Hagaman	13	14	15	16	17 6pm - Saloon Karem Treasures 7:30pm - Stated Meeting 7pm- DON meeting	18 Karem Shrine Easter Egg	19
11 Richard Hamblin 12 Tom Buzbee Blain Brookshire 14 Quenton Baccus 17 Jackie Hodges 20 John Easler 23 Kevin Wright 25 Mathew Jordan 26 Melvin Odocharty Travis Roberson 27 Wayne Copeland Paul Plourde 30 James Madden Phil VanDuiwendyk James Cummins	20 	21 6pm - PATIO- Classic	22 6:30pm - Tri-County	23	24 Tem-Bell 11am	25 5:30pm - Fish Fry	26 Ballroom Rented
27 Cove Oasis 6pm	28	29	30 	1	2	3 Nobility Ball - RSVP	



May



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	1	2	3 Nobility Ball - RSVP
4	5 	6 6pm - Lockwood Lodge 6:30pm - Karem Cowboys	7	8	9 5:30pm - Burgers & Bingo	10 
11	12	13	14	15 6pm - Saloon Karem Treasures 7:30pm - Stated Meeting 7pm- DON meeting	16	17
18	19 6pm - PATIO- Classic	20	21 	22 Tem-Bell 11am	23 5:30pm - Fish Fry	24
25 MEMORIAL DAY	26 Cove Oasis 6pm	27 6:30pm - Tri-County	28	29	30 saloon & pavilion rented Karem Golf Tournament	31 saloon & pavilion rented