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# Kazimer

The Newsletter of the Kazim Shriners



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## Announcements

### Stated Meeting Notifications:

- April 26, 2025
- August 20, 2025
- November 1, 2025
- December 13, 2025
- January 17, 2026

### Special Meeting Notifications:

- May 21, 2025
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## *Spring Ceremonial*

The 2025 Spring Ceremonial is quickly approaching and will be here on April 26, 2025. The Stated meeting will start at 10:00AM, however the candidates will need to report prior to that as we will again be doing stunts with them, but prior to the meeting.

After the stated meeting concludes, we will open the doors for a public installation and jump directly into the Ceremonial Casts' portrayal of the degree. Once finished we will then have the Director's Staff perform the "Arch Degree".



**Weekend Events  
Schedule**

Friday, April 25, 2025

- 1:00PM | Hospitality Room Opens
- 4:00PM | Hospitality Room Closes
- 6:00PM | Kazim Open House Starts
- 8:00PM | Hospitality Room Opens
- 9:00PM | Kazim Open House Ends
- 11:30PM | Hospitality Room Closes

Saturday, April 26, 2025

- 10:00AM | Stated Meeting (Members Only)
- 10:00AM | Ladies Breakfast
- 11:00AM | Ceremonial (Open to Public)
- 1:00PM | Hospitality Room Opens (Light Lunch)
- 3:00PM | Hospitality Room Closes
- 4:30PM | Shuttles to Kazim Start
- 5:00PM | Ballroom Opens, Cocktail Hour Begins
- 6:00PM | Introductions & Remarks
- 6:30PM | Dinner Served
- 7:30PM | First Dance by Kazim Band
- 7:35PM | Dance begins with DJ
- 10:00PM | Hospitality Room Opens
- 10:30PM | Kazim Ballroom Doors Close
- 11:59PM | Hospitality Room Closes

For more details visit:  
[www.kazimshriners.com](http://www.kazimshriners.com)  
or contact us at: 540-344-9306

Please RSVP by the cutoff date of April 19.

### Hotel

Holiday Inn Tanglewood

### Address

4468 Starkey Road  
Roanoke, Virginia

### Phone

540-774-4400

## *Nobility Ball*

The Nobility Ball will be the evening of April 26 and it will be a costume ball with the theme of, "Disney". Dress up as your favorite character(s) as we invite each of you to "Be our Guests" for the evening and celebrate our Nobility.

Don't feel pressured to dress up as a character if you don't want to, put on a coat & tie, button down shirt, or whatever you have and just focus on spending the evening with your friends at the Shrine Center.

Tickets are \$50/person, \$100/couple, and are on sale now. RSVP cutoff is April 19.



# Be Our Guests

at the

## Kazim Nobility COSTUME BALL

**On behalf of the Illustrious Potentate, Cole David, First Lady Kristen, and the Kazim Divan, please join us for an evening of fun and entertainment as we recognize and honor our Nobility for their dedication and service.**

*Don't miss your chance to be part of something extraordinary as we showcase all of our amazing Nobles including the Kazim Band who will be playing the cocktail hour and first dance live for guests.*

Date: Saturday, April 26, 2025

Venue: Kazim Ballroom

Address: 628 Campbell Ave. SW Roanoke, Virginia

Hotel: Holiday Inn Tanglewood

Address: 4468 Starkey Road, Roanoke, Virginia

Phone: 540-774-4400

[Reserve Room](#) | [Buy Ticket](#)

*Disney Costumes are preferred, otherwise:*

*Men: Coat & Tie*

*Ladies: Church or Semi Formal*

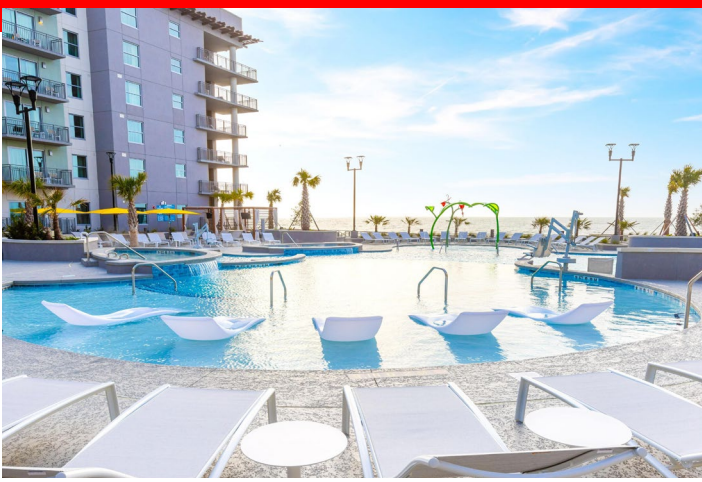
*Cost: \$100/couple | \$50/single*

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RSVP by April 19 by returning the enclosed form and payment to the Kazim Office.



## SASA Hotel Update

Fall SASA is scheduled for September 18–21 in Myrtle Beach this year. The big news for Kazim is that we are now staying at a new host hotel, Holiday Inn Club Vacations!

Located at 3090 Springmaid Boulevard, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577, this hotel is not just a “new to us” hotel, it’s so new that it opened up last February. Just over a year old and with many great amenities and features, this hotel has shown to be a great draw for Kazim so far as we’ve sold out of rooms 3 times now and the hotel itself is entirely sold out for that time period.

However, while Kazim has no further rooms to offer in its own block, you are still able to call and try to book a room on your own as reservations change almost daily with the hotel and its other guests. If you are able to book a room outside of our block, PLEASE send the confirmation to [potentate@kazimshriners.com](mailto:potentate@kazimshriners.com), so we can add your reservation to our room which will give you the same rate as our block.

Some features and amenities of the hotel: *Ocean front rooms, back porch pool bar, fitness center, Brewer’s market, poolside cabanas, firepit, activity center, splash pad & hot tubs.*

For a full rundown of all the details, including videos on exactly what to expect, please visit us at [www.kazimshriners.com/sasa](http://www.kazimshriners.com/sasa).



## Room Rates

Please note that the minimum night stay is 3, from September 18-21. The resort fee and added tax have both been waived for our block.

Check-in Date: 9/18/2025 | Check-Out Date: 9/21/2025

1 Bedroom Villa: \$176/night (Sleeps 4)

2 Bedroom Villa: \$211/night (Sleeps 8)

2 Bedroom Signature Collection: \$246/night (Sleeps 8)

3 Bedroom Signature Collection: \$281/night (Sleeps 10)

1 night room due for deposit

Group Name: Shriners Group 2025

Group Cut-off Date: August 11, 2025

## Temple Dinner

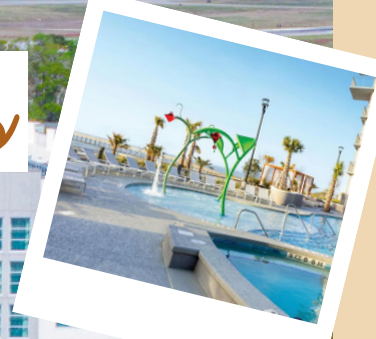
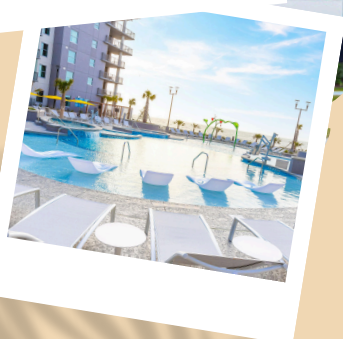
With the host hotel changing we also had to change our Temple Dinner. This year the dinner will be catered at Damon’s restaurant, which is between the Crown Reef and the Holiday Inn Club Vacations.

We will have an “All American BBQ” under Damon’s restaurant. The meal this year will also have a **\$15 cover** charge, per person. With that ticket however, you will get your food and 2 drink tickets if you are a Noble, or Lady, of Kazim. Non-Kazim attendees will not receive drink tickets.

After the dinner the hospitality room will be open at the Holiday Inn until 11:00PM for night caps.



# Holiday Inn Club Vacations



BOOK BY: 8/11/2025

MINIMUM NIGHT STAY: 3 night(s)

CHECK-IN: 9/18/2025 | CHECK-OUT: 9/21/2025

GROUP CODE: SHN

**BOOK BY PHONE: 855-914-1828**

**Click HERE to book online.**  
*Link will not work on mobile devices*



## KAZIM PARTY

- 🚩 Moving to Damons Bar beside of the Holiday Inn
- 🚩 All American Cookout
- 🚩 \$15 per Adult, \$5 per Child under 12



## REGISTER FOR PARTY

Go online now and register for the party so we can ensure we have enough food for everyone who is planning on attending.

*\*NOT REQUIRED TO ATTEND*



## Potentate's Trip

Join us for the first Potentate Trip at Kazim since 2018 as we travel to beautiful Louisville, Kentucky for a Whiskey and Bourbon Tour.

The trip is planned for June 12-15. We will depart from Kazim Temple on the 12<sup>th</sup> via Abbott bus and make the trip to Louisville. After we check in, we will reload and make our way to Stitzel-Weller Distillery for a private catered meal and a private tour/tasting. Friday sees us at Jim Beam distillery with a private tour/tasting and the same Saturday at Bulleit Bourbon.

The price for all bus fare, private tours/tastings, and catered dinner is \$325/person. The hotel is the Embassy Suites by Hilton and is \$199/night.

There are only a handful of spots left so act fast to ensure you are able to join us on this amazing trip.



## Trip Itinerary

### Thursday

LEARN ABOUT THE PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE OF BOURBON AT THE HISTORIC STITZEL-WELLER DISTILLERY. IT'S A DISTILLERY DRENCHED IN THE RICH HISTORY OF BOURBON'S PAST THAT'S PUSHING THE BOUNDARIES WITH INNOVATIONS FOR THE FUTURE. WALK IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF BOURBON LEGENDS, AS YOU STEP INTO AN ACTIVE BARREL HOUSE, COOPER SHOP AND MICRO STILL-HOUSE. YOUR JOURNEY ENDS WITH A TASTING OF BULLEIT BOURBON, BULLEIT SINGLE BARREL, I.W. HARPER CASK AND BLADE AND BOW.

### Friday

TAKE A JOURNEY THROUGH BEAM HISTORY AND DISCOVER HOW THE FIRST FAMILY OF BOURBON HAS BEEN MAKING AMERICAN WHISKEY FOR OVER TWO CENTURIES. FROM KENTUCKY LIMESTONE FILTERED WATER TO THE HERITAGE YEAST JIM BEAM HIMSELF DROVE TO AND FROM THE DISTILLERY FOR SAFE KEEPING, YOU'LL EXPERIENCE EVERY STEP OF THE PROCESS AS YOU GO BEHIND THE SCENES TO SEE WHAT GOES INTO MAKING THE WORLD'S #1 BOURBON.

### Saturday

THE ANATOMY OF A SINGLE BARREL IS THE PERFECT WAY TO ELEVATE YOUR BOURBON TASTING EXPERIENCE! ENJOY THREE DIFFERENT SINGLE BARREL SAMPLES IN YOUR PRIVATE TASTING ROOM, EXPLORING THE NOTES OF EACH SPECIFIC YEAST STRAIN, AND HOW THEY CONTRIBUTE TO THE OVERALL FLAVOR PROFILE. A FOURTH SAMPLE IS INCLUDED OF OUR FLAGSHIP BULLEIT BOURBON TO SYMBOLIZE THE FINISHED PRODUCT. INCLUDES A LOCALLY MADE CHOCOLATE CARAMEL.



# POTENTATE'S TRIP

*Louisville, Kentucky | Bourbon Tour*



## EVENT DETAILS

JUNE

12-15

Family Dinner Thursday Night at Stitzel-Weller Distillery  
Friday will have an event at Jim Beam Distillery  
Saturday we will have a tasting at Bulleit Bourbon



Get ready for the 151st Imperial Session of Shriners International, June 29-July 3, 2025, in Atlanta, Georgia. All nobles, ladies and their families are invited to join Imperial Sir Richard Burke and First Lady Judy for the fraternity's biggest event of the year.

### ENJOY THE 'CAPITAL CITY OF THE AMERICAN SOUTH!'

The 2025 Imperial Session will take place in Atlanta, aka the Sweet Tea Metropolis and the City in a Forest, at the Hyatt Regency Atlanta. Located in the downtown area, the hotel is just steps away from the Peachtree Center, the Georgia Aquarium, the College Football Hall of Fame and the World of Coca-Cola, one of Atlanta's most popular attractions. Downtown Atlanta has an abundance of excellent dining, shopping, arts, culture and entertainment possibilities. Nobles will love exploring this city with their families, friends and brothers. So come and see this vibrant city for yourself!

### EXPERIENCE 'HOTLANTA'

Atlanta is known for its warm welcome to visitors, as well as its history, sights and diversity. This city is thriving, and that is spurring tremendous growth. In 2022-23, Atlanta was the third-fastest growing metro area in the United States. Atlanta history includes not only the legacies of the Civil War, but the triumphs of the 1960s civil rights movement. At the Martin Luther King, Jr. National Historical Park, just a mile from the Hyatt, you can visit his birth home and the historic Ebenezer Baptist Church, which in 2019 was restored to the appearance it had in the 1960s.



Atlanta is also home to the National Center for Civil and Human Rights, a museum dedicated to the achievements of the civil rights movement. It's located across Centennial Park from the World of Coca-Cola Museum and the Georgia Aquarium.

Centennial Park is right across the street from Centennial Olympic Park, the park constructed for the 1996 Summer Games.

Two other sites with historic significance just a short distance from downtown are the Atlanta History Center, in the Buckhead neighborhood, which features the historic Swan House, used as a location for *The Hunger Games: Catching Fire* movie, and the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum.

For those less interested in history there are the Atlanta Botanical Garden, with its unique flora, fauna and topiary, and The Varsity, billed at the "world's largest drive-in." They say no trip to Atlanta is complete without a Varsity chili dog, an order of onion rings and a Frosted Orange!

### WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE

The 2025 Imperial Session will be an event where nobles can meet new friends, learn and plan the fraternity's future. You don't want to miss it. Come celebrate the fun, fellowship and philanthropy that makes Shriners International the greatest fraternity in the world.





## Stay Connected with Kazim

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#### Website

www.kazimshriners.com



### 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.

#### Contact the Kazimer

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**Welcome**

Welcome back to the Kazimer. It's been a couple years since we've distributed this digital version of our revitalized magazine, but we are looking forward to providing quarterly issues in 2025 to cover the events and activities of Kazim Shrine in the 2025 year.

2025 has started off fast with visits to a lot of Clubs and Units and by early May we will have been to each one at least one time as a group with plans to come back at least one more time.

We've also been busy in traveling around the state and out of the state. A few of the trips we've made so far are the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary East v West Shrine Game in Arlington, Texas, Greenville Shrine Hospital Shriner Days, Bethel 7 Job's Daughters, SASA Spring meeting (where our Marshal drew #17), a visit to the Railyard Dawgs, and of course our travels to our counterpart installations at ACCA, Kena, and Khedive. We've also been able to represent Kazim at the Khedive Potentate's Ball last month, have ACCA's coming up in April and Kena's in May. Needless to say Kazim is on the move again representing you at these events.



**Biography**

I was born in Radford and grew up in Newport, VA. I graduated from Giles High School and Radford University. I am an IT contractor working in Radford for the last 14 years where I've specialized in Cyber Security. Lady Kristen and I were married October 13, 2017, Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> I may add, and have 2 children, Junior Pote Henry, and our newest addition Aurora Roselle.

I was raised a master mason and became a Shriner in 2005. I was appointed 2<sup>nd</sup> Ceremonial Master in 2020, by Illustrious Ed Barker, and was elected Oriental Guide in 2021, serving with my father Illustrious Bill David, on the same Elected Divan, and my brother Trey as Outer Guard.



*The David Family*

**Theme**

My theme for the year is Family & Community.

Family, with the obvious of your personal family, but also your Masonic family. If you look at the 2025 logo, you will see that it is a tree, a family tree. With the base being the Blue Lodge, where everything starts and revolves, leading up into the branches and leaves of the tree where you will find the York Rite, Scottish Rite, Youth organizations, various appendant bodies, and of course Shriners. Each of these organizations plays a part in the success of the others. For too long I've heard Mason's choosing one over the other, when in fact we should be helping them all when we can.

To help illustrate this point Kazim had a joint event with the Grand Chapter in Wytheville this year where we put the Cold Sands on 10 new Nobles, including the Grand High Priest of Virginia, and after that event we passed out petitions for 3 new Chapter members and 2 more Shriners. It's amazing what can happen when we work together and this is just one example of that plan in action.



**Closing**

This year we've done something new in that we are voting on petitions every month of the year. If you have someone interested, please get their petition in early and the Divan will come to perform a Cold Sands at your meeting. So far, we have done 3 Cold Sands with 2 more coming up in April, plus the Ceremonial.

Keep our Nobility in your thoughts and prayers as the Black Camel has made quite the impact as of late. I also invite any Noble to let me know of a Noble that I might encourage with a phone call or a visit and I encourage every Noble to do the same.

S & F,

D. Cole David  
Potentate 2025



2025 Divan Officers



