

THE ILLUSTRIOUS POTENTATE  
OF ALZAFAR SHRINERS IN  
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LODGE TO THE 2009

# CAMP ALZAFAR MASONIC PICNIC

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The Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine (The Shrine) was formed at the end of the 19th Century to be the Social Arm of Masonry.

Alzafar Shriners are returning to that philosophy with an event you will love to be a part of. As Worshipful Master of your Masonic Lodge, we ask that you be a VIP & Honorary Host for this event. Please invite those in your jurisdiction, to be a guest, at this 2009 **Camp Alzafar Masonic Picnic**.

**IT'S FREE, NO CHARGE, GRATIS!!!** Illustrous Sir, Jim Strayer, Potentate of Alzafar Shriners requests the pleasure of your company. Alzafar Shriners will bear the cost for this Masonic Event! And, **YES** please invite your Fellow Craft, Entered Apprentices, and their Family! Bring them back into the Masonic Family.

You have ascended to the highest role, to which one can aspire in Masonry and you are, our special VIP. Won't you join us for a day celebrating Masonry? It's a full day of FAMILY fun. We have also included a Chili cook-off that you may prove to all the lodges in South Texas that you have the most Proficient Stewarts, at the least, in regard to Chili. Here are the rules for the Camp Alzafar, non-sanctioned, Chili Cook-Off; another great event on this fun filled day!

**Date: October 3, 2009**

**Weigh-in time: 8:30 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. & Draw for Spot**

**Cooking Starts at 10:00**

**Amount of meat: 10 Lbs –Minimum**

**Judging time: 3: 00 p.m. (more or less)**

**Followed by Awards Presentation**

Chili must be cooked from scratch, no prepared mixes (except Chili powder), and no fillers (beans, etc.). Each team will get a copy of the rules at check-in. There must be at least one Master Mason on each team.

Locations are available for the sale of arts and crafts from the Ladies Association. The Camp Masonic Ladies Association will also have additional side food items and drinks for sale at a very nominal cost.

**Chili Teams should RSVP as soon as possible. Please use the form attached on-line [HERE!](#)**

Please bring your Lodge, their family, Widows, Orphans, and Friends of Masonry for a **Fun Filled Family Day** at Camp Alzafar...

***To the Worshipful Master, Wardens, & Brethren: We respectfully invite you to be our guest that all shall know the Greatness of Freemasonry... it will be a very special day!*** The whole day, from morning till night, is a day designed for good wholesome company, Masons All! We will start the day at 8:00 am, with Kendall Lodge 897 of Boerne, offering a **Master Mason's Degree** at Camp. Fully Tiled and set in a rugged outdoor forested area of Camp, you will behold the Master's Degree in a manner reminiscent of the days of our western forefathers! **A hearty breakfast** with juice and coffee will follow as the Chili cook-off teams begin their registration.

It's a day of, **games, and fun things** for the kiddos while everyone meets the **Alzafar performing units**, as the Camp **Ladies sell crafts** and prepare our **afternoon meal of hot-dogs and hamburgers**. While the Stewards of Chili cook their ware, all families are invited to enjoy the other facilities at Camp. We have a kid's **play ground, hiking, swimming** at our pool and/or the beautiful **Guadalupe River for rafting**. Entering up-river on Camp property, tubing the entire course of Camp can be a 45 minute thrill and you never leave the property. Or, for the more adventurous, you may want to travel to the Guadalupe Ramp entrance on FM 474 and enjoy a 2 1/2 hour transverse of the Guadalupe to Camp. All times will depend on river flow.

**Do you like to fish?** We have several good fishing spots and a 48 pound whopper, of a cat-fish, was pulled out at camp recently. You will need a Texas Fishing License, which is available at most convenience and Wal-Mart stores. Have you had a chance to visit with some our performing units? They love to please and look forward to meeting you! The world famous **Alzafar Clowns** will be there to thrill the kids. How about we play a **game of Washers?** Don't know what that is; we'll teach you. Are the kiddos getting tired yet? Have them nap in our air conditioned recreation room. We also have showers and dressing areas for changing in and out of swimming suits. Around tea-time, the **Chili Cook-off** will be ready for your testing and it will be your afternoon snack. We ask you to vote for the **"People Choice" best in show Chili Award**.

But don't eat too much chili as the cooks are preparing our evening meal of good old hometown Barbeque **with all the fixings!** Join our Illustrious Potentate for his reception, just prior to our evening meal. And, as the sun sets over the Guadalupe, and dinner is but a recent memory; **"Music & Dancing" takes over the entertainment**. You won't sit still and everyone will dance the night away.

**Hope to see you there!**

