

Official Publication Afifi Shrine Tacoma, WA

Shriners is a fraternity based on fun, fellowship and the Masonic principles of brotherly love, relief and truth with nearly 200 temples (chapters) in several countries and thousands of clubs around the world. Our fraternity is open to men of integrity from all walks of life.

Potentate's Message



Ill. Sirs, Nobles all:

I would like to give you an update on what has been happening in AFIFI.

As you may know the Divan has attended the PNSA and there are a number of things that came from that meeting. There were 3 members of the Imperial Divan at PNSA (Imperial Potentate) (Imperial Assistant Rabban} and (Imperial Outer Guard). There are a Number of takeaways that we came away with. (1)The Imperial Potentate made it very clear that the second section as we knew it is dead, There will be no Hazing of any kind or there will be severe consequences for any noble or Temple that is found to have participated in it.(2) There will be a Resolution presented this coming session that if a temple falls below 300 members its charter will be placed on hold for 3 years to bring the membership above 300 members or it may be forfeit. Having said this we will have to wait and see what the language will actually say in the call for 2022. (3) There will be a Resolution presented to increase the Per-capita to Imperial by \$20 per year.

In consideration of what we learned, El Katif has invited Nile and Afifi to join them in an ad campaign that they produced last year for the East side of Washington State. If Nile and Afifi would join in the cost of this ad campaign it would be put out State wide in an effort to increase Membership.This was brought up at our last stated meeting and it was voted by the nobles at that meeting that we should provide \$5000.00 to this endeavor.

Parades are Ramping up, Daffodil will be the first and Loyalty Days is next

Loyalty Days is planned to be a big one. We need RSVP if you will be attending the Breakfast at Ilwaco Lodge on Saturday morning and the parade in general please contact Ill Sir Ray Zimmerman. An Itinerary for this parade will be put out shortly.

I.S. Ryan Wright
Potentate 2022-2023
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OFFICIAL CALL OF THE POTENTATE

May Stated Meeting

Date: Saturday, May 14th **Time:** 1:00 PM

Place: 40 Et 8 Chateau, 7607NE 26th Ave, Vancouver, WA

Notice is given for the transaction of such business as may come before the Temple.

Lunch will be offered for \$10 (TACO BAR) at 11:30 AM and is open to all family and friends

RSVP for lunch is a must by 5/01/22 at:
253-565-2055 OR afifishrine@gmail.com

Everyone is to meet in Vancouver at address listed above. This May meeting will be open so it will not be necessary to to split the nobility from their families. Please be sure and invite friends and family.

We're excited to to announce the Portland Shriners Children's Hospital has agreed to a hospital tour. With your RSVP, please let us know if your interested in the hospital tour and we'll use the AFIFI vans to take us over to the hospital. I suspect masks will be required so please plan accordingly.

Dates to Remember

SUNDAY, APRIL 17



APRIL 15 - 23



The Divan and Members of Afifi Shrine wishes you and your love ones a Happy and Blessed Easter and Passover.

Membership Report—2021

Regular* members as of 1/1	343
Creations	12
Affiliations	0
Restorations	3
Associations	1
Demits	5
Suspensions	7
Expired	14
Expulsion	0
Resigned	1
Associate Drops	2
End on 12/31	331
Gain/Loss	-12
Gain/Loss %	-3.50%

* Regular members do not include our 9 Associate members

News From Around Our Shrinedom

In March, 12 large containers of clam chowder were delivered to the Shrine Hospital in Portland. Each quarter, Mo's restaurant in Astoria donates clam chowder to the Hospital. Each Friday, the hospital serves the chowder to the patients, families, staff, and visitors (if any).

This has been going on for a couple of years now and this is a cooperative effort with what was the Pacific County Shrine Club, and Al Kadar Shriners in Astoria.

Help Needed from the Clubs & Units

We need to highlight the news from your Clubs and Units. We need information on who you are as a Club and Unit for our Nobles who have not yet joined one.



Official Bi-monthly Publication of Afifi Shrine

Publisher, Advertising Manager & Editor

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Publishing Deadline: Submit articles for The Fez by our deadline of the 10th of the month preceding the publication month.



Black Camel

Nobles, let us remember and, cherish the memories of our Nobles that passed on to the Temple above. Keep their families in your thoughts and prayers

Noble Alfred L. Anderson 4/10/2021

Noble Daniel A. Chase 2/18/2022

Noble Stephen E. Rocker 10/6/2020

Noble Leonard R. Wilson 1/20/2022

Sickness & Distress

Nobles, let us keep in our prayers for their recovery and health the following Nobles and family members. Our love and thoughts are with them.

None Reported

MEMBERSHIP & PETITIONS

New Petitions

We are now prorating our initiation fees based on time of year. Here are the initiation fees for candidates based on when they plan on getting initiated:

January thru March—\$150.00

April thru June—\$127.75

July thru September—\$105.50

October—\$83.25

November thru December—\$48.25

March Nobles count: **336**



APRIL 16



Happy Birthday to our Nobles on behalf of the Officers and Members of AFIFI Shrine. May you have a blessed and enjoyable birthday.

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| 4/1 Duane W Rexford
John H Harrison
Warren R McLeod | 5/1 Frederick M McPherson |
| 4/2 Douglas A Baker P.P. | 5/4 Donald A Bulloch
Frank A Harju
Kelly B Davidson |
| 4/3 Robert H Pickett
Tadarian A Harrell | 5/7 Benjamin Ruelas Jr. |
| 4/4 Scott A Carroll
Damien J Kolb | 5/8 James R Sharples
Anthony J Annable |
| 4/5 Paul Dailey
Hugh D Ford | 5/10 Jack F Lake |
| 4/7 William R Cox | 5/11 Raymond L Hyytinen |
| 4/9 Randol K Brookshier
Richard E Good | 5/13 Jonathon D Anderson |
| 4/10 Mark J Peters | 5/14 David L Fields
Joseph D Soel |
| 4/14 Arthur E Brown | 5/15 Donald L Brewer |
| 4/15 Donald E Farrar | 5/16 Fred Olness |
| 4/18 Jose M Perez | 5/17 George W Ingle Jr |
| 4/20 Charles R Hogan
Carl R Hogan | 5/19 Arthur L Tibbits |
| 4/22 Stanley J Davis | 5/23 Raymund G McDermott
Ronald C Joubert |
| 4/24 Edward L Eisenson | 5/24 Charles I McClure
Robert A MacDonald |
| 4/25 James A Cobb | 5/25 Charles T Heberle III |
| 4/28 Michael A Smitson
Arnold W Dulaney
Louis C Summers | 5/26 M D Twibell |
| 4/30 Cameron M Bailey | 5/28 Ronald R McCallister |
| | 5/29 Thomas H Anders |

Be The change that you wish to see in the World.

Mahatma Gandhi



May 8, 2022
Congratulations to all the Mothers of Afifi Shrine.



May 30, 2022

Remember and never forget their sacrifice to our nation.



May 21, 2022



Affi Nobles: If you have served our great country in the Armed Forces and are interested in becoming a member of the Legion of Honor. We are trying to build our team back to the way it was some time ago. Feel free to reach out to Noble Shane Inman for more information or how to join at 360-941-0861 or slinman87@gmail.com.

Hospital Board Takeaways: February 2022

1. The 2 new Australian fellows have arrived to the Shriners Children's Portland Hospital safely & we are excited to welcome them! The Portland Hospital is the only accredited hospital to train Australians in the US in pediatric orthopedics.
2. Upcoming education for providers:
 - A. Annual Dillahunt education program for providers will be held on May 6.
 - B. Our Primary Care Conference for pediatricians and family practice providers will be held on Aug. 6.
3. Shriners Children's Portland board reviewed the 2021 hospital results. Portland finished the year with outstanding quality & patient satisfaction! We even won the National Press Ganey award in Patient Experience.
4. 2021 Portland achieved a record-breaking year in reducing the reliance on our endowment decreasing by 60%. This allows us to extend our mission to provide more care to those children who do not have the ability to pay including patients throughout the Pacific Northwest and our international patients.
 - ❖ We are collaborating with Salt Lake City & Pasadena hospital on caring for their patients from Mexico.
 - ❖ Shriners Children's Portland provides comprehensive care especially known for our spine, hip and chest wall services.
5. The Shriners Children's Medford Clinic is the first off-site clinic outside of our four walls, allowing us to care for more kids in their own community in the Medford, Oregon area. Since opening in November, every single clinic has been full. What an honor to care for those children with unmet pediatric orthopedic needs!
6. Our first outreach clinic for 2021 will be at our Bellingham Clinic on March 26, following that we will be in Anchorage, AK on April 30. Please let your family & friends in these areas know we are open to seeing both new and existing patients.
7. The walk-in fracture & sports injury clinic has continued to grow exponentially, we have cared for 90% more kids in the clinic in the first two months of the year than we did in 2021. Please spread the word to your family & friends, we are open Monday-Friday (except holidays) 7:30am-4:00pm.
8. In 2022, Shriners International and Shriners Children's are celebrating very special anniversaries. Our fraternity was founded 150 years ago, and our health care system was established 100 years ago. Our marketing team has developed an anniversary toolkit for nobles to use to help honor and promote these major milestones. This toolkit includes items such as social media graphics and suggested posts, historic photos and proclamations for use in your communities. [View and download items from the toolkit.](#)
9. With our brand name and logo changes underway, we wanted to refresh memories and remind all of this exciting transition! The hospital system is now known publicly as Shriners Children's, but we will still continue to do business as Shriners Hospitals for Children. You may be seeing advertisements with this new name, but do not fear - it is an exciting transition to elevate our brand!
10. We also want to echo reminders of our 2021 Pinnacle of Excellence Award from Press Ganey. We are so proud of our staff and the hard work that has been put in to become a hospital of this caliber. This honor is awarded based on excellence in patient experience. We are looking forward to becoming a candidate for this year's Press Ganey Award as well.

WANTED

Lodge Ambassadors

Do you attend your Blue Lodge regularly (or would you like to)? Would you like to stand up in your Blue Lodge and make Shrine announcements and presentations? Then you are exactly who we are looking for!!

The Shrine Lodge Ambassador Program is intended to create a communication stream between Afifi Shrine and the Masonic Lodges in our jurisdiction.

The Shrine Ambassador receives a name badge indicating his ambassadorship to be worn at Lodge, Shrine meetings and events. The Ambassadors will take the listing of Afifi Shrine events for the coming month from the Recorder, sort of like "talking points," to be mentioned at your Lodge's stated Meeting. You will be able to present the Potentate's congratulations to newly initiated Master Masons.

All you need to do to sign up is call or email one of the Nobles below with the following information. Your name, phone number, email address, and the Lodge name and number.



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YOU

We missed you at our meetings and events. You are and always will be an important part and valuable member of Afifi Shrine. You say you don't feel comfortable after being away so long. Don't worry we have you covered. Check in with our Recorder. He will assist you. Give him a call at 253-565-2055. 2022 is Your Year. Make It Happen.

SHRINE RELATED ACRONYMS, ABBREVIATIONS AND SLANG

ACRONYM	MEANING
AAONMS	Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine - used in conjunction with Imperial Council, the former name of the Fraternity
AR	Assistant Rabban
ASSN / ASSOC	Association
BAFM	BeAFreemason.org
BASN	BeAShrinerNow.com
BATS	Temple Financial Manual (BATS is an outdated term - no longer actively used but may be seen in outdated documentation)
BOD	Board of Directors
BOG	Board of Governors
BOT	Board of Trustees
COG	Captain of the Guard
COLORADO CORP	Refers to Shriners Hospitals for Children (Incorporation in the state of Colorado)
CR	Chief Rabban
DR	Donor Relations
EMER	Emeritus
FIS	Fraternal Information Services
FRAT	Fraternal
GO	General Order
HPP	High Priest & Prophet
HQ	Headquarters
IMP	Imperial
IOWA CORP	Refers to Shriners International (Incorporated in the state of Iowa)
MAR/COM	Marketing and Communications
MBR	Member
MDS	Membership Development Specialists
MOTHER TEMPLE	The Temple in which a Noble was created
OG	Oriental Guide / Outer Guard
PCLM	Per Capita Life Member
PCM	Permanent Contributing Member of Shriners Hospitals for Children
PIP	Past Imperial Potentate
POTE	Potentate
PP	Past Potentate
PR	Public Relations - see Mar/Com (more commonly used)
QR	Quick Response - as used in QR Code. A scannable code used to access data quickly
REC	Recorder
REP	Representative (of a Temple to Shriners International)
RMD	Regional Membership Director
SHC	Shriners Hospital's for Children
SI	Shriners International
SIEF	Shriners International Education Foundation
TREAS	Treasurer
WEBFEZ	Web-based Membership System

GUIDELINES FOR THE USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA

The following guidelines apply to the use of social media by all Nobles in their capacity as a Shriner, or in which one identifies himself as a Shriner through images or words on personal or public social media platforms and websites, as well as on behalf of all Shrine Associations, Temples, Units and Shrine Clubs. Nobles should always be aware that all electronic communications are permanent and may be made public, even if deleted.

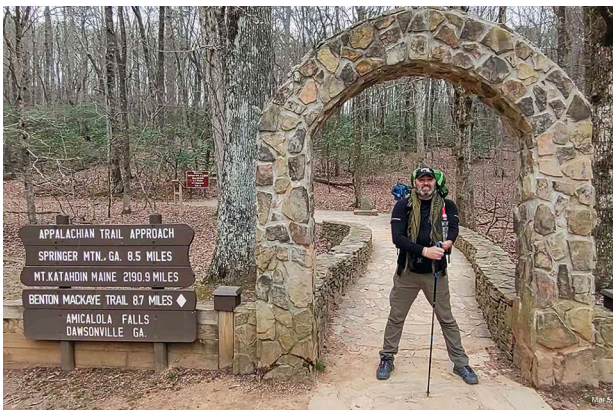
Nothing in this section imposes any limitation on purely independent speech or E expression which is unrelated to the Shrine. Each member must determine for himself whether his personal communications or conduct, online or in person, meet the extremely high standards expected of a Shriner.

All internet and cellular phone based electronic communications must:

1. Be in compliance with and conform to the Code of Ethics of Shriners
2. Reflect positively on Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children.
3. Not contain content or commentary that is antagonistic, bullying, confidential, defamatory, harassing, offensive, political, pornographic, profane, racially motivated or religious.
4. Not contain a third party's copyrighted material, trademarks, service marks or other protected material.
5. Not post private temple and fraternal matters on public facing social media. These matters include, but are not limited to:
 - a. Legal, disciplinary, and personnel issues;
 - b. A pending petition for membership of a particular candidate;
 - c. Financial matters related to the fraternity or charity; and
 - d. Fraternal or charitable legislative proposals, such as "the Call" for Imperial Sessions.
6. Be factually accurate and based on credible information. Acknowledge and correct mistakes promptly.
7. Adhere to the branding and stylistic guidelines contained in the Shriners International Fraternal Style Guide and the Shriners Hospitals for Children Identity Standards and Guidelines. These guidelines can currently be found on the Shriners International website in the members section.

In addition, all official Association, Temple, Unit and Shrine Club social media profiles, websites, and accounts must be accessible to and controlled by more than one administrator. Violation of these guidelines may be considered in determining whether such posts constitute conduct unbecoming a Noble.

Hiking Shriner Hits the Appalachian Trail to Raise Funds for Shriners Children's



Brian Stanley, aka the Hiking Shriner, says he became a Freemason to help his community, and he became a Shriner to help kids.

Born with an upper extremity limb difference, Stanley's childhood orthopedic care was provided by doctors from Shriners Children's. Becoming a Shriner with Jericho Shriners of Kingston, Tennessee, was just the start of his effort to give back to the organization and the medical staff members he calls heroes. Read the rest of this story at:

<https://www.shrinersinternational.org/en/news-and-events/news/2022/03/shriner-hikes-appalachian-trail>



EVENT SCHEDULE of APRIL & MAY 2022

Stated Meeting: Second Saturday January, March, May, September, December Lunch 11:30 AM,
Meeting 1:00 PM
Dark June, July and August. Temple web site: <http://afifishriners.org>

Afifi Nobles – Divan – Clubs/Units – Other

[Calendar Legend: BC = business casual dress, C&T = coat and tie, F = wear your fez, L = ladies are welcome, K = kids are welcome, \$ = buy your meal from a menu or purchase a meal ticket]

Fri Apr 1/May 6	3:00 PM	Oriental Band monthly meeting/practice (BC), Scottish Rite Center, 817 S Vassault, Tacoma
Wed Apr 4/May 2	5:30 PM	Board of Directors Virtual Meeting – Elected and Appointed Divan
Wed Apr 6/May 4	6:00 PM	Gateway SC Executive Meeting (Casual, \$) Pied Piper Pizza, 12300 NE Fourth Plan Blvd #E, Vancouver
Thu Apr 7/May 5	6:30 PM	Mt. Tahoma Shrine Club dinner (BC,L,\$) Tower Lanes Entertainment Center, 6323 6 th Ave, Tacoma
Sat Apr 9		Daffodil Parades (Tacoma, Puyallup & Sumner)
Mon May 10		Articles due to Ray Zimmerman for The Fez
Thu Apr 14/May 12	4:00 PM	Columbia River Club Executive meeting , Kelso Masonic Lodge, 204 S Pacific Ave, Kelso
Thu Apr 14/May 12	6:00 PM	Lewis County Shrine Club dinner (BC,L,\$) American Legion Post 17, 111 W Main St, Centralia
Thu Apr 14/May 12	6:30 PM	World Famous Afifi Shrine Clowns dinner (BC,L,\$) location TBD
Mon Apr 18/May 16	6:00 PM	Clowning Workshop and business meeting (casual) – Jon Gill's office, Salmon Creek Law Offices, 1412 NE 134th St #130 Vancouver
Fri Apr 22/May 27	6:00 PM	Thurston - Mason Shrine Club dinner (BC,L,\$,F) Olympia Elks Lodge, 1818 4th Ave E, Olympia
Wed Apr 27/May 25	6:30 PM	Gateway Shrine Club Meeting/Dinner (BC,L,\$,F) – Gustav's Pub & Grill, 1705 SE 164th Ave, Vancouver
Thu Apr 28/May 26	5:30 PM	Columbia River Shrine Club dinner (BC,L,K,\$,F) Peper's 49ER Restaurant, 916 Walsh Ave NE, Castle Rock
Thu Apr 28/May 26	6:00 PM	Afifi Greeters meeting (BC,L,\$ - no fez) Ben Dews Clubhouse Grill, 6501 6th Ave, Tacoma
Sat Apr 30		Ilwaco Children's Parade – clowns only
Sun May 1		Long Beach Loyalty Parade – all units and members
Mon Mar 28/May 23	7:30 AM	SHC-Portland Board meeting – Afifi Hospital Board members

2021 Afifi Shriners Clubs & Units

2021 Afifi Shriners Elected Officers

Potentate: Ill. Ryan R Wright
Chief Rabban: Noble Don E Varo
Assistant Rabban: Noble Ashley Brinkley
High Priest and Prophet: Noble David Aponte
Oriental Guide: Noble Rick Johnson
Treasurer: Noble Ron Fryer
Recorder: IS Raymond C Zimmerman, PP

Columbia River Shrine Club
President: Noble Ron Horn
1st Vice President: Noble Marvin Colburn Jr.
Treasurer/Secretary: Noble Vic Tenison
Trustee: Noble Eldon Strange
Trustee: Noble Raymund McDermott

Gateway Shrine Club
President: Noble Will Lippel
1st Vice President: Noble Todd Ellsworth
2nd Vice President: Noble Elsy "Pat" Edwards
Secretary: IS Raymond C Zimmerman
Treasurer: Noble Charles Cortez
Trustee: Noble William Field (1 year)
Trustee: Noble Richard Johnson (2 years)
Trustee: IS Dale R Vrsalovich (3 years)

Thurston-Mason Shrine Club
President: Noble Ross Retzlaff
1st Vice President: Noble Larry Williams
2nd Vice President: Noble Kenneth Hare
Secretary: Nobel Roderick Mason
Treasurer: IS Ed Woods

Lewis County Shrine Club
President: Noble Jeff Kant
1st Vice President: Noble
2nd Vice President: Noble Craig Sullivan
Secretary/Treasurer: Noble Everett Macomber
Trustee: Noble Rolly Badavinac
Trustee: Noble Dick Frombgen
Trustee: Noble Steve Livingston

Mt. Tahoma Shrine Club
President: IS John Brett
1st Vice President: Noble James Nero
Secretary/Treasurer: Noble Howard Cohen

Greeters
President: Noble Don Hawkins
1st Vice President: Noble Ashley Brinkley
Secretary/ Treasurer: Noble Al Leavitt

Legion of Honor
President: Noble Shane Inman
Vice President: Noble Tony Annable
Secretary/Treasurer: Noble Don E. Varo

Oriental Band
President: IS John Brett
Vice President: Noble David Aponte
Secretary/Treasurer: Noble Joe Morris
Director: IS Rory Johnson

Southwest Washington Afifi Shrine Clowns
Director: Noble Dave Bryant
Vice President: Noble TBA
Secretary/Treasurer: IS Raymond C Zimmerman

World Famous Afifi Shrine Clowns
Director: Noble Daryl McLaughlin
Asst. Director: Noble Roy Pidcock
Secretary/Treasurer: Noble Lawrence Nelson

Afifi Shrine COMMITTEES

Photography:
Noble Todd Johnstone
Noble David Rice
Noble Rick McGann

Leadership Search:
Elected Divan

Financial Advisory:
Noble Howard Cohen (Chairman)
Noble Todd Ellsworth
Noble Will Lippel
IS Ken Keesler, PP

Membership
IS Ray Zimmerman, PP
Noble Don Varo
Noble Shane Inman
Noble TomaHawk Pearson
Noble Craig Sullivan

Marketing and Communications:
Noble Ashley Brinkley
Noble Ron Fryer
Noble David Aponte
IS Ed Woods
IS Ray Zimmerman

Fundraising:
Noble Don Varo
Noble Ron Fryer
Noble Ryan Wright
Noble Craig Sullivan

Insurance Advisory:
Noble Ashley Brinkley
Noble Greg Mahoric
Noble David Rice
Noble Jon Gill

2021 Afifi Shriners Appointed Officers

1st Ceremonial Master: Noble Shane Inman
2nd Ceremonial Master: Noble Anthony (Tony) Annable
Director of Units: Noble TomaHawk Pearson
Marshal: Noble Ken Hare
Chaplain: Noble Jeff Kant
Captain of the Guard: Noble Fred Sjoquist
Outer Guard: Noble Lawrence Byrd
Chaplain: Noble Jeff Kant
Director: Noble TBA
Temple Attorney: Noble Jon Gill
Executive Aide: IS Keith Christensen
Chief Aide: IS Doug Baker
Aide: Noble Ron Robbins

Shrine Club Meeting

Columbia River Club - 4th Thursday
Gateway Club - Exec 1st Wednesday
Dinner 4th Wednesday
Grays Harbor Club - 2nd Friday
Lewis County Club - 2nd Thursday
Mt. Tahoma Club - 1st Thursday
Thurston-Mason Club - 4th Friday

Unit Meetings

World Famous Afifi Clowns - 2nd Tuesday
SW WA Clowns - 3rd Monday
Greeters - 4th Thursday
Oriental Band - 1st Friday

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