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Potentate's Message

Illustrious Sirs and Nobles All

This newsletter finds us with the Imperial session put behind us and having said that there are a few things to report. (1) the 300-membership limit was not introduced in legislation therefore there was no discussion. (2) the 20 dollar per-capita failed to pass twice and (3) there was legislation introduced to eliminate 20-dollar per diem for elected representation and eliminate any reimbursement for lady's travel. The alarming thing that happened there was a large number of us, including my wife and I and Don and his wife came home with COVID and have dealt with it for a couple of weeks.

Please remember we have a couple of events coming up. Morton logger's jubilee and parade Saturday August 13 and barbecue at the Wright's house after the parade. Also, Summer PNSA 2022 will be held at the Nile Shrine center at Mountlake Terrace, WA August 18 through 21. please consider joining us. You can find the information at PNSA 2022 website.

The Hoquiam parade has been canceled due to a conflict with the September Stated meeting Saturday the 10th.

The Lake Fair parade in Olympia was not attended as well as hoped but I would like to give a big shout out to Ken Hare for putting together a lunch for the parade goers at Olympia #1 and to Ross Retzlaff and his wife for doing the barbecue at their house. For everyone who wasn't there, you missed out.

Bye for now

.S. Ryan Wright
Potentate 2022-2023
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STATED MEETING
Saturday, September 10, 2022
1:00 PM
Lunch - 11:30 AM
Donation \$15.00
Place: Tacoma Scottish Rite
817 S Vassault St Tacoma, WA



2022-2023 Imperial Potentate Kenneth G. "Kenny" Craven

Kenneth G. "Kenny" Craven of Omar Shriners was elected Imperial Potentate at the 2022 Imperial Session in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

A lifelong resident of Summerville, Kenny is the first Imperial Potentate from South Carolina, and he extends his gratitude and humility to you for this honor and opportunity.

Kenny has combined a successful professional career, a lifelong passion for all sports and a commitment to the Shrine. He and First Lady JJ have been together for 22 years. They enjoy the love and support of their families including daughter Stacey and granddaughter Ella Grace.



Monday, September 5th

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Nobles, we must continue to bring in New Shriners for the strength of our fraternity and the Afifi Shrine Temple. Please work with me in bringing in new masons from our blue lodges and other Masonic groups. Below are a few techniques to help.

Peer-to Peer Best Practice Exchange: Efforts include webinars, Tell Your Story videos, and face-to-face networking opportunities at Imperial Session and the annual Membership Seminar.

Enhanced Masonic Cooperation: Efforts include communications with Grand Lodge secretaries on Masonic inquiries and referrals, and collaboration to support growing Masonic membership.

Shrine Center Support: Efforts include offering MDS and prospect training for Shrine Centers; Imperial membership team consultation; membership training, goal planning and measurement sessions; Shrine Center needs assessments; and tool and resource development.

Any questions or need of assistance please contact Noble Shane Inman 360-941-0861 or slinman87@gmail.com

OLYMPIA PARADE PHOTOS



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 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.



FUNRAISER

The Raffle Tickets are HERE!

This year's Afifi fundraiser is a series of one day raffles where the Club or Unit can make a whopping 47% of the net proceeds on every ticket they sell. Easy and simple 50/50 raffles and Quick raffles can earn your Club or Unit big bucks to support your group; and support Afifi Shrine as well.

The tickets are all printed and here, along with the Quick Raffle sheets. Pick up your supply at the Stated Meeting in Vancouver on May 14th. Then schedule your raffles at the same places you had the car raffles last year, or any venue that you can get a booth space (free).

Easy fundraiser that benefits us all!

Fraternally, Yours,
Noble Ron Fryer

Lewis County Shrine Club

Greetings Illustrious Sir's, nobles and all,

I hope everyone is doing well and staying healthy. Long Beach parade was amazing and we had such a wonderful time and a great turn out. It was nice to see old and new faces participating in the parades, potluck, and dinner.

To those who were not able to attend the parade, I had made a few announcements in regards to our upcoming temple Christmas party hosted by Lewis County Shrine Club (LCSC) on December 17th at the Centralia Square Hotel and Ballroom, located in downtown Centralia. If you are looking for hotel accommodations for the evening you need to call the hotel directly sooner than later and specify whether you want a suite or a single room in which the single rooms have a shared bathroom in the hallway. When you call and make a reservation mention our temple and event and you will receive a discounted rate.

This party will be open to all Masons and the other coordinate bodies. This event would be a great opportunity to gain new membership and show them how we can put together a great event. I encourage you to mention this when you are visiting other lodges and mention details will follow.

Please mark this date down on your calendar as we are still in the planning stages and will provide a formal invitation with details and menu. The hotel and ballroom is breathtaking and has been completely remodeled. We look forward to working on this event and having some fun and fellowship and possibly bringing in some new Nobles.

Fraternally yours



Noble Jeff Kant

President

Lewis County Shrine Club

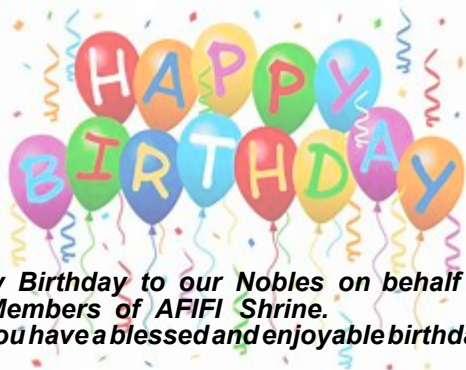


LCSC CHRISTMAS PARTY

Saturday, December 17, 2022

Centralia Square Hotel & Ballroom





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

AUGUST

SEPTEMBER

Charles W. Gaskill 8/1
 Rory R Johnson P.P. 8/1
 Lester M Byrd 8/2
 Lawrence E Nelson 8/2
 Larry P Williams 8/2
 David P Torres 8/2
 Brian N Gross 8/4
 Dale R Vrsalovich P.P. 8/4
 Don H Nau 8/5
 James D Arnold 8/5
 Donald J Daly 8/7
 William J Young Jr. 8/7
 Richard A Serpe Jr. 8/8
 Hansford L Mooneyham 8/10
 Sage Beach 8/10
 Paul K Morris 8/13
 William R Nelson 8/13
 Leroy W Walton Jr. 8/16
 William L Arent 8/16
 Frank H Funk 8/17
 Robert L Michaels 8/17
 William E Heddleson 8/18
 William C Landreth Jr. 8/18
 Roger E Bushnell 8/20
 James L Gross 8/20
 Thomas J Waggoner 8/20
 Franklyn Gallup 8/24
 Dillard C Jensen 8/25
 Jerry L Thompson 8/28
 Michael P Bryans 8/31

Claire G Sahlman 9/1
 William G Norton P.P. 9/3
 Gerald W Peterson 9/4
 Phillip H Small 9/5
 George K Johnson 9/5
 George A Stone 9/5
 Jeffrey C Greenwell 9/5
 John H McKinley 9/6
 Brian M Miller 9/6
 Ronald E Burbach 9/9
 Del R Murry 9/9
 Ralph J Stading 9/10
 Jose R Mejia 9/10
 Wendal H Kuecker 9/11
 Luther R Fanning 9/14
 Michael L Dew 9/19
 Ronald H Robbins 9/20
 Robery M Traister 9/21
 William S Field III 9/21
 David A Rice 9/21
 William C Bede 9/23
 Mitchell B Dunn 9/24
 James M Brown 9/24
 Zachary A Olson 9/24
 John E Bouis 9/26
 James W Hodges 9/27
 Morris R Worsham 9/27
 William R Bakamus 9/29

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.



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

Douglas G Edlich

3/20/22

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

There's something missing in this image.

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. Give him a call at 253-565-2055.

This is Your Year. Make It Happen.



**Shriners
Children's™**
Portland

VIRTUAL EVENT - OCT. 21ST - OCT. 29TH

A Spooktacular Virtual Costume Walk

We need your help!



- Recruit participants to sign up and create teams
- Spread the word, share on social media, share with friends, and neighbors
- Introduce us or give us contacts of people who would like to be sponsors

31 Ways to Amaze (October)

•31 Daysto Amaze is new an annual campaign, during the month of October.

It unites businesses and the community in support of the mission of Shriners Children's

•The development department will be looking and reaching out to local businesses, both big and small, asking them to participate in the program.
(Round up purchases at the check-out stand.)

•Businesses will register and indicate they want to support Shriners Children's **PORTLAND** (very important).

•Businesses will be recognized on the website as well as on our local social media accounts and email blasts.

• How you can help:

- Spread the word on social media channels
- Introduce or send us contact information on a business(es) that you think might participate.

MEMBERSHIP & PETITIONS

July Nobles count:

336

Nobles:

As you know, we have new initiation rates for our Potential Nobles. 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—\$186.00
 April thru June—\$154.75
 July thru September—\$123.50
 October—\$92.25
 November thru December—\$46.83



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Shriners Children's Portland donation wish list

Nobles, below is the BIG wishlist for the Portland Hospital. Your club or unit can raise money and earmark it for one or more of these items. It's also a great list to give to your wealthy friends to help them make larger donations.

CLINICS

Fracture Clinic (costs for uninsured or underinsured patients) \$200,000

Outreach Clinics

- Anchorage 2x per year
- Bellingham 2x per year
- Pendleton
- Medford Off-Sight Clinic

PROGRAMS

- Genomics Research
 - Cover Clinical Research Coord. costs \$ 80,000
- Motion Analysis Center
 - (support what insurance does not cover) \$250,000
- Child Life Programs
 - Virtual Music - 12 mos. \$ 12,000
 - Recreational Rehab Programs \$ 18,000

(NOTE: those activities with a check mark indicate ones that were done in 2021)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Adaptive Ski program ✓ Arts programs ✓ Swimming ✓ Events Gymnastics ✓ Music /Park ✓ AAC hangout (2x/mo. throughout summer) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Kayaking ✓ Rock climbing ✓ Horseback riding ✓ Gardening ✓ Fishing day ✓ Support Groups (Limbs differences) |
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- Radiology
 - 4 lead aprons \$1,900
- Patient Ambassador to SHC PGA tourney \$ 5,000

CAPITAL EQUIPMENT - \$40,000 - \$350,000

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DXA Bone Scanner (Q1) • Patient Monitors (4) (Q2) • Stealth stations and instruments (Q2) • Mini C Arm (Q3) • Bioness Therapy System (Q4) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anesthesia Machine (Q2) • Arthroscopy Towers - (Q2) (Sports Med) • Midas Navigation Drill (in conj. w/Stealth) (Q3) • Crib for OPC (Q4) |
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UNITY MARCH

Sunday, August 7, 2022

3:00 PM

DuPont Community Presbyterian Church, DuPont, WA

Every year in early August, Masons from both the Grand Lodge of Washington and the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Washington and Jurisdiction gather together in Dupont and march together dressed in masonic regalia from a nearby park to the Dupont Community Presbyterian Church to attend a joint church service. The service is attended by Brothers and Sisters from the different Concordant Masonic Bodies and is open to family and friends. After the service, there is a pot luck dinner in the park behind the church where attendees can enjoy the ties of family and friendship with one another.



EVENT SCHEDULE of AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 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]

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| Mon Aug 1 / Sep 5 | 5:30 PM | Board of Directors Virtual Meeting – Elected and Appointed Divan |
| Wed Aug 3 / Sep 7 | 6:00 PM | Gateway SC Executive Meeting (Casual, \$) Pied Piper Pizza, 12300 NE Fourth Plan Blvd #E, Vancouver |
| Thu Aug 4 / Sep 1 | 6:30 PM | Mt. Tahoma Shrine Club dinner (BC,L,\$) Tower Lanes Entertainment Center, 6323 6 th Ave, Tacoma |
| Fri Aug 5 / Sep 2 | 3:00 PM | Oriental Band monthly meeting/practice (BC), Scottish Rite Center, 817 S Vassault, Tacoma |
| Thu Aug 11 / Sep 8 | 6:00 PM | Lewis County Shrine Club dinner (BC,L,\$) American Legion Post 17, 111 W Main St, Centralia |
| Thu Aug 11 / Sep 8 | 6:30 PM | World Famous Afifi Shrine Clowns dinner (BC,L,\$) location TBD |
| Aug 13 | Time TBD | Morton Loggers Jubilee Parade , corner of 7 th and Adams Ave, Morton |
| Mon Aug 15 / Sep 19 | 6:00 PM | Clowning Workshop and business meeting (casual) – Jon Gill's office, Salmon Creek Law Offices, 1412 NE 134th St #130 Vancouver |
| Aug 18-21 | | Summer PNSA – Nile Shrine Center |
| Mon Aug 22 / Sep 26 | 7:30 AM | SHC-Portland In-Person Board meeting – Afifi Hospital Board members |
| Thu Aug 25 / Sep 22 | 6:00 PM | Afifi Greeters meeting (BC,L,\$ - no fez) Ben Dews Clubhouse Grill, 6501 6th Ave, Tacoma |
| Thu Sep 8 | 4:00 PM | Columbia River Club Executive meeting , Kelso Masonic Lodge, 204 S Pacific Ave, Kelso |
| Sep 10 | 1:00 PM | Afifi Stated Meeting – Location TBD. Lunch at noon (C&T, F, \$) |
| Mon Sep 10 | | Articles due to Ray Zimmerman for The Fez |
| Thu Sep 22 | 5:30 PM | Columbia River Shrine Club dinner (BC,L,K,\$,F) Peper's 49ER Restaurant, 916 Walsh Ave NE, Castle Rock |
| Fri Sep 23 | 6:00 PM | Thurston - Mason Shrine Club dinner (BC,L,\$,F) Confirm location |
| Wed Sep 28 | 6:30 PM | Gateway Shrine Club Meeting/Dinner (BC,L,\$,F) – Fiesta Bonita Mexican Grill and Cantina, 4708 NE Thurston Way, Vancouver |
| Nov 5 | 11:00 PM | Vancouver Veteran's Parade (Gateway SC and SW WA Clowns) |
| Sat Dec 10 | 1:00 PM | Afifi Stated Meeting – Elections – Budget Vote – Scottish Rite Tacoma – Ladies attend – lunch at 11:30 AM (C&T, F, L, K, \$) |

2022 Afifi Shriners Elected Officers

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

2022 Afifi Shriners Appointed Officers

1st Ceremonial Master: TBA
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, PP
Chief Aide: IS Doug Baker, PP
Aide-W: 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

2021 Afifi Shriners Clubs & Units

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, PP
Treasurer: Noble Charles Cortez
Trustee: Noble William Field (1 year)
Trustee: Noble Richard Johnson (2 years)
Trustee: IS Dale R Vrsalovich, PP (3 years)

Thurston-Mason Shrine Club

President: Noble Ross Retzlaff
1st Vice President: Noble Larry Williams
2nd Vice President: Noble Kenneth Hare
Secretary: Noble Roderick Mason
Treasurer: IS Ed Woods, PP

Lewis County Shrine Club

President: Noble Jeff Kant
1st Vice President: Noble Shane Inman
2nd Vice President: Noble Marvin Colburn
Secretary/Treasurer: Noble Everett Macomber
Trustee: Noble Rolly Badavinac
Trustee: IS Dick Frombgen, PP
Trustee: Noble Steve Livingston

Mt. Tahoma Shrine Club

President: IS John Brett, PP
1st Vice President: Noble James Nero
Secretary/Treasurer: Noble Howard Cohen

Greeters

President: Noble Ashley Brinkley
1st Vice President: Noble Richard Serpe Jr.
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, PP
Vice President: Noble David Aponte
Secretary/Treasurer: Noble Joe Morris
Director: IS Rory Johnson, PP

Southwest Washington Afifi Shrine Clowns

Director: Noble Dave Bryant (Bumps)
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 Ken Hare
Noble Will Lippel
Noble Shane Inman

Membership

Noble Ashley Brinkley
Noble Jeff Kant
Noble Shane Inman (Chairman)
Noble TomaHawk S. Pearson

Marketing and Communications:

Noble David Aponte (Chairman)
Noble TomaHawk S. Pearson
Noble Rick Johnson
IS Ed Woods, PP
IS Ray Zimmerman, PP

Fundraising:

Noble Don Varo
Noble Ron Fryer
Noble Ryan Wright
Noble TomaHawk S. Pearson

Insurance Advisory:

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Noble Greg Mahoric
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