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Newest Afifi Nobles September 2022



At our September meeting, Afifi Shriners initiated 5 new Nobles. Welcome to the sands of Afifi Temple. (Picture above from left to right) Nobles Blessing Ndayishimiye, Royal Harris, Clayborn Collins, Lonnie Traylor, and Kenneth Branch.

Potentate's Message

Ill. Ryan Wright Potentate 2022

Nobles:

We had a good turnout at our last stated meeting and obligated 5 candidates in September. Let's keep it up. I believe we may have 3 more to obligate at our upcoming meeting in December. We would like to thank all those individual nobles and clubs and Units that have contributed to the Frist Lady's kids project that includes gifts that will be given to the kids at Portland Hospital in December, date yet to be determined. We have collected \$1,711.00 so far and have been busy buying gifts for kids at the hospital. The invitations have been sent out for the Dec 17, 2022 Afifi holiday party hosted by Lewis County Shrine Club. Please RSVP as soon as you get your invitation and join us for a good time.

That's it for now,

Ill. Ryan Wright



DECEMBER Stated Meeting

Place: Tacoma Scottish Rite, 817 South Vassault Street, Tacoma

Date & Time:
Saturday, Dec 10, 2022
1:00 PM

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

ELECTIONS OF 2023 OFFICERS 2023 BUDGET

Lunch will be offered for \$15 at 11:00 AM and is open to all family and friends **RSVP for lunch is a must by 12/2/22** at 253-565-2055 or afifishrine@gmail.com.

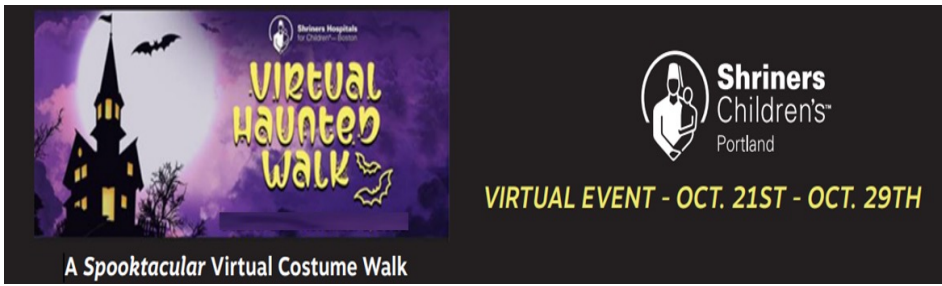
Everyone is to meet in Tacoma. Ladies and families will be entertained while we are in our meeting .

To all our Nobles and their families, on behalf of the Diwan and myself, we wish each and everyone a blessed Thanksgiving. We also take this opportunity to shout a big thank you to all our Nobles who served in our Armed Forces..

Ill. Ryan Wright



NEWS FROM AROUND THE SHRINE



[CLICK HERE FOR AFIFI's WALK FOR LOVE LINK](#)

Website: <https://donate.lovetotherescue.org/team/455236>

We need your help!

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

LSC CHRISTMAS PARTY

Saturday, December 17, 2022 Centralia Square Hotel & Ballroom
RSVP NEEDED COST: \$40.00

This party will be open to all Masons and the other coordinate bodies. Spread the word. 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.

INVITATIONS HAVE BEEN SENT OUT. IF YOU HAVEN'T RECEIVED YOURS, PLEASE CONTACT THE CLUB PRESIDENT.

Contact Noble Jeff Kant,
President of Lewis County Shrine Club:
Email: jeff_kant@yahoo.com
Phone: 714-261-8182

Legion of Honor



Afifi 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.

Phone: 360-941-0861

Email: slinman87@gmail.com



31 Ways to Amaze (October)

- **31 Days to Amaze** is new an annual campaign, during the month of October that 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.
- 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.

Nobles, Clubs and Units officers' elections are held in October with the results reported to me by 10/31. On Saturday, November 12th, I'll be hosting the officers virtual training session on Zoom. The training is open to any noble but it's especially important for new officers to attend.

If you have email, you should have received your 2023 dues notice via email, so check your

spam folder if you haven't seen it. If you don't have email, expect your notice in the mail soon. Please make every effort to make your payment prior to December 31st.

Please use Webfez to update your address(s), email, and phone. That allows us to operate more efficiently and timely.

I wish you a happy Thanksgiving. I hope you can celebrate it with family or friends.



There's something missing in the above image.

YOU

CHANGE OF DIVAN MEETINGS VIA ZOOM

Executive Board Meetings - 4th Monday of each month. Ask our Recorder for Zoom Information.

Does your Club or Unit have any events they would like to announce, any interesting news or happening, anything that sparks the interest of our Nobility? If you do, send it to the editor of THE FEZ. It's free and goes out to our Nobles.

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.



We are truly sad on learning about the Passing of the father of our Senior Grand Warden, of the Grand Lodge of WA, RW Jimmy Norton.

On behalf of the Nobles of Afifi Shrine, our deepest and sincere condolences to RW Norton and his family.

May he rest in peace among the angels above.

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

The following were reported since our previous issue:

- Noble Richard D. Hall 6/19
- Noble Charles E. Blum 7/10
- Noble Leo R. Crocker 8/11

This is Your Year. Make It

VISIT THE...
CAWSTON OSTRICH FARM
 SOUTH PASADENA
 Round Trip Including Admission **25c**
 Beautiful Private Semi-Tropical Park
 The Cawston Ostrich Farm is the only one in America that produces and manufactures its own feather goods. Visit the Farm and see the factory in operation.
Tuesday Shriners' Day
 At the Cawston Ostrich Farm
 A Cawston Feather is the Best Souvenir of California
 Take South Pasadena Gate on Main Street



Happy Birthday to our Nobles on behalf of the Officers and Members of AFIFI Shrine.

May you have a blessed and enjoyable year.



OCTOBER

Russell J Hall Jr.	10/1
William C Myers Jr.	10/3
Clinton M Brown Jr.	10/6
Julius Mason	10/7
John R Adamson	10/8
Dave R Montonye	10/8
William J Alford	10/12
John Poulos	10/14
Bruce D Fish	10/14
H. R Schulz	10/16
Jeffery A Brunson	10/17
Kenneth J Keesler P.P.	10/19
John C Bryant	10/20
Brian N Stoll	10/20
Mark D Campbell	10/20
Jimmie Martin	10/21
Daryl J Lund	10/21
Roy J Pidcock	10/21
Robert Royal	10/22
Marc G Eddy	10/22
Ralph E Decker	10/23
Howard R Cohen	10/24
Gary E Gasaway	10/25
Leslie C Moore	10/26
Virgil G Maier	10/27
Harold E Lewis	10/28
Paul L Evans	10/28
James E Nero	10/28
W B Bede P.P.	10/29

NOVEMBER

William R Miller	11/2
Roland Badavinac	11/5
Dan L Mulvihill	11/6
Allen L Oliver	11/6
Keith W Christensen P.P.	11/6
William J Lippl III	11/7
Rick L McGann	11/8
Elton L Strange	11/9
Michael J Wallace	11/10
Robin U Go	11/11
James B Logg	11/12
Jon F Niehaus	11/12
Alexander Bautista	11/16
Ronny V Barker	11/17
Frank E Moxley Jr.	11/18
Richard A Kennedy	11/20
William D Cope	11/21
Carroll H Melby	11/21
Harold A Edvalds	11/26
Jacky C Glenn	11/26
Jeffrey Harlow	11/29
Joseph A Morris	11/30

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

September Nobles count: **334**

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.

Noble Robert Morris





2022 SCHEDULE of OCTOBER & NOVEMBER EVENTS

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]

Mon Oct 3 / Nov 7	5:30 PM	Board of Directors Virtual Meeting – Elected and Appointed Divan
Wed Oct 5	7:30 AM	SHC-Portland Virtual Board meeting – Afifi Hospital Board members
Wed Oct 5 / Nov 2	6:00 PM	Gateway SC Executive Meeting (Casual, \$) location TBD
Thu Oct 6 / Nov 3	6:30 PM	Mt. Tahoma Shrine Club dinner (BC,L,\$) - Mama Stortini's Restaurant, 3207 E Main Ave, Puyallup (for October. Check on Nov.)
Fri Oct 7 / Nov 4	3:00 PM	Oriental Band monthly meeting/practice (BC), Scottish Rite Center, 817 S Vassault, Tacoma
Thu Oct 13 / Nov 10	4:00 PM	Columbia River Club Executive meeting , Kelso Masonic Lodge, 204 S Pacific Ave, Kelso
Thu Oct 13 / Nov 10	6:00 PM	Lewis County Shrine Club dinner (BC,L,\$) American Legion Post 17, 111 W Main St, Centralia
Thu Oct 13 / Nov 10	6:30 PM	World Famous Afifi Shrine Clowns dinner (BC,L,\$) location TBD
Mon Oct 17 / Nov 21	6:00 PM	Clowning Workshop and business meeting (casual) – Jon Gill's office, Salmon Creek Law Offices, 1412 NE 134th St #130 Vancouver
Wed Oct 26 / Nov 23	6:30 PM	Gateway Shrine Club Meeting/Dinner (BC,L,\$,F) – Fiesta Bonita Mexican Grill and Cantina, 4708 NE Thurston Way, Vancouver (subject to change)
Thu Oct 27 / ?	6:00 PM	Afifi Greeters meeting (BC,L,\$ - no fez) Ben Dews Clubhouse Grill, 6501 6th Ave, Tacoma
Thu Oct 27 / ?	5:30 PM	Columbia River Shrine Club dinner (BC,L,K,\$,F) Peper's 49ER Restaurant, 916 Walsh Ave NE, Castle Rock
Fri Oct 28 / Nov 25?	6:00 PM	Thurston - Mason Shrine Club dinner (BC,L,\$,F) Confirm location
Nov 5	11:00 PM	Vancouver Veteran's Parade (Gateway SC and SW WA Clowns)
Mon Nov 10		Articles due to Ray Zimmerman for The Fez
Sat Nov 12	10:00 AM	Club/Unit Officers Virtual Training Session (Zoom)
Mon Nov 28	7:30 AM	SHC-Portland In-Person Board meeting – Afifi Hospital Board members
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, \$)
Sat Dec 17	7:00 PM	Lewis County SC Christmas Dinner -

A PAGE FROM AFIFI'S HISTROY

DIVAN
1943



AFIFI
TEMPLE

A.A.O.
N.M.S.



BACK ROW (left to right): Floyd C. Kinnear, Recorder; Edgar M. Densmore, Treasurer; John S. Obenour, First Ceremonial Master; Albert W. Taylor, Outer Guard; Herman A. Karlen, Second Ceremonial Master; J. Donald Shotwell, Marshal; Charles W. Johnson, Captain of the Guard; Walter H. Sutter, Director.
FRONT ROW (left to right): Robert S. Temme, High Priest and Prophet; Eugene A. White, Chief Rabban; Walter H. Mierow, Illustrious Potentate; Ernest K. Murray, Assistant Rabban; Archibald W. Howe, Oriental Guide.

1943 Afifi's Divan



Never knew we had a baseball team. Picture (above) of Afifi's Baseball Team in 1916. They played the Elks on June 10, 1916. Score AFIFI 3 ELKS 9

LEWIS COUNTY SHRINE CLUB XMAS PARTY

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

ZORA TEMPLE NO. 5



Saturday, October 22

Tacoma Scottish Rite Center - 817 S Vassault ST Tacoma, WA

5:00 PM SOCIAL 6:00 PM GERMAN DINNER

Ticket - \$30 Per Person

For Tickets Call:

Barbara Everett (253) 223-4367 Judy Wieck (360) 373-9976

No Tickets Sold at the Door. Deadline for Tickets 10/16/2022

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

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Shrines International
817 S. Vassault St
Tacoma, WA 98465

2022 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 Lippl
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: TBD
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 Lippl
Noble Shane Inman

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

Marketing and Communications:
Noble David Aponte (Chairman)
Noble TomaHawk S. Perason
Noble Rick Johnson
IS Ed Woods, PP
IS Ray Zimmerman, PP

Fundraising:
Noble Don Varo
Noble Ron Fryer
Noble Ryan Wright
Noble TomaHawk S. Perason

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

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