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# Almas



# Shrine

*Please join us as we attend the 135th Shrine of North America Convention in  
San Antonio, Texas, Sunday July 5, 2009 thru Thursday, July 9, 2009*

*We will be staying at the beautiful Omni La Mansion Del Rio Hotel on the  
Riverwalk only five blocks from the Convention Center and  
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**IMPORTANT: THE FINAL CUT OFF DATE FOR RESERVATIONS IS  
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*Arrival Date \_\_\_\_\_ Departure Date \_\_\_\_\_*

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# Potentate's Message

As your newly installed Potentate, I am highly honored and extremely humbled to have been selected by the nobility of Almas to serve you in 2009. Lady Debbie and I are very excited about the coming year. It has been a very rewarding journey ever since I was appointed to the line by Illustrious Sir Donald M. Holliday back in 2002. I will be always grateful for the opportunity to serve. If it had not been for my wife, First Lady Debbie, encouraging me every step of the way I would not be here writing to you as your Potentate. I would like to thank Debbie and all of the Ladies of Almas Shriners; for all that you do for Almas Shriners. Congratulations to Illustrious Sir F. William Hershisier for his service in 2008.

Thanks to all of you that were able to attend the installations. My special thanks to Illustrious Sir Donald M. Holliday for installing the officers at the closed installation. A special thanks to Illustrious Sir Anthony S. Murray for acting as Master of Ceremonies for the Open Installation. As I told some of the officers, it was a relief knowing that all I had to do is tell Tony what I wanted and then get out of the way and let him handle it. Thanks again Tony for a job well done.

A special thanks goes out to Most Worshipful Brothers William Mis-covic and Raymond McMullen for acting as Grand Marshalls for the Installation. Both of you have been friends of the family for many years. I look forward to many more years of that friendship. Thanks goes out to Illustrious Sir Jeffery G. Bodie for acting as Chaplain for the Installation. I considered it a honor to have you kneeling next to me at the altar delivering the prayer during the Installation. Congratulations to all of the newly installed officers along with the Unit Heads and Club Heads. The Nobility should be excited about all of the leaders.

It is now time to get to work. Nobles you have great group of elected Divan members this year. I have appointed some outstanding Nobles to serve on the Appointed Divan. The Board of Directors have several responsibilities to attend to immediately. We do not take this responsibility lightly.

I have appointed Rick Hall as membership Chairman this year. As you all know membership is our top priority. Membership is the responsibility of all of us. The Most Worshipful Grand Master in the District of Columbia, Kwame Acquaaah, has asked us to assist the Grand Lodge in



recruitment. After they are raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason then we will have prospects that can be created as Shriners. I am going to attempt to visit all of the Lodges in DC and promote Shrinedom along the way. I challenge each of you to do the same.

I look forward to visiting with you in 2009

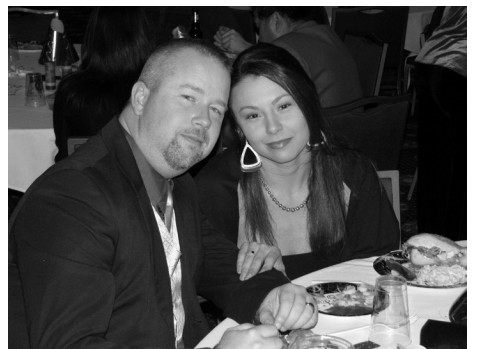
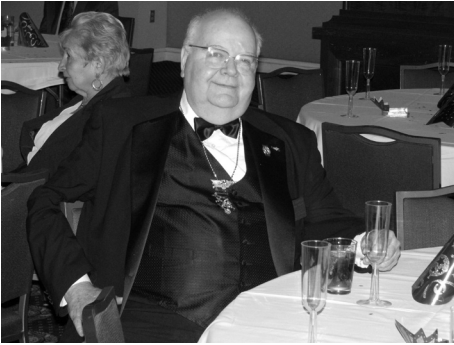
Yours in the Faith,

Potentate



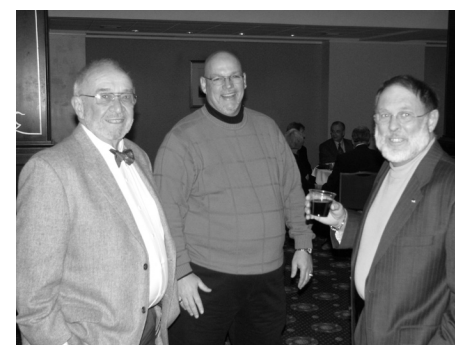
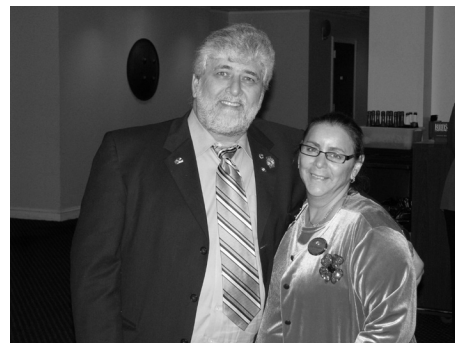


# *New Years Eve*





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## ***BIG BUCKS at MASA***

It has been suggested that Almas purchase a booth at the Mid Atlantic Shrine Association Marketplace to be used by Units, Clubs and individuals to sell raffle tickets, ornaments, crafts, e.t.c. Temples in other Associations have done this for years and earn good money. The Temple would pay for the booth (\$375 for three days) and any Unit, Club or individual could showcase their wares. Some proposed guidelines include:

1. Baskets of Cheer, quilts or other items being raffled by the Units or Clubs must be on display during Marketplace hours.
2. All involved parties would share in manning the booth which must be manned during the Marketplace hours.

3. Unit and/or Club proceeds go to the Unit or Club.

4. A portion (TBD) of the proceeds from all items sold by individuals must go to the Almas Transportation Fund. (Sale of White House ornaments would continue as is.)

This could represent an opportunity for significant fund raising by reaching a much larger audience. Please contact Jeff or Barbara Bodie if you would support this idea or if you or your Unit or Club would like to participate. The Temple Board of Directors has approved consideration of this idea and depending on the response, we will move forward.

Yours in the Faith  
Jeffrey G. Bodie, P.P.

## ***Pop Tops***

Don & Martha Boltz' daughter Abby Hanger, presented Don with a large box of pop tops from soda cans for Christmas.



Don presented Illustrious Sir Donald R. Ferguson, Sr. with the box the night of the Temple Business Meeting.

Thank you to both of you

### **The White Rose Circle of Samla Temple No. 51 DON**

Cordially invites you to a luncheon  
Honoring outgoing Queen Dinora Collins

Saturday, February 28, 2009  
11:45 am Social 12:15 Lunch

Ambrosia Grille  
802 Hungerford Drive, Rockville, MD  
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Cost \$23.00 made payable to Samla Temple # 51

Reservations by February 21, 2009  
Kathlene Garnett  
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703-430-0530





# WANTED

## A FEW GOOD MEN

The Shepherds need you. Almas Shrine is responsible for transporting Shrine Hospital Patients, along with their parent or guardian, to the Shriners Hospital in Philadelphia. We need good drivers who are retired or semi retired or still working who can donate some time for periodic trips using Temple Vans. Please call 202-898-1688 and volunteer.

**WE NEED YOU NOW**

HELP US  
**HELP**  
THE KIDS!



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### *Almas Directors Staff*

I would like to start by giving a big "Thank You" to each and everyone who helped to make our 2008 White House Holiday Ornament Project a success. We purchased 605 of the 2008 ornaments for the project. As in years past, we also purchased prior years and special commemorative ornaments for those who are trying to collect the entire set since the White House Historical Society began selling them in 1981. Some of the early years are sold in sets of four only, but all years are still available. We do this as a courtesy to our customers even though we only make a profit on the current year's ornaments only during the project time, which starts when the ornaments are introduced, usually in July and until the project is completed in December each year. If any one is interested, I can get these ornaments all year long. The Director's Staff mailed out 26 pack-

ages all over the country to fill orders for customers. On Saturday, January 10, 2009 at the Open Installation of Officers for Almas Shriners it was my pleasure to present to the Junior Past Potentate, Ill. Sir F. William Hershiser, a check in the amount of \$2,484.90 for the Almas Transportation Fund. This reflects the entire profit from the project. We also had some very generous people who returned their change from their \$20 bill and said "Add it to the Transportation Fund". Thanks again and please let your family and friends know about this worthy cause.

Yours in the Faith  
George Whetzel

### *Almas Yacht Club*

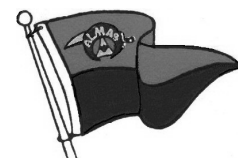
Hopefully the weather held and we had a successful Commodore's Ball.

As of now we should break even, but this may not have happened without our successful secret weapon - The Ladies. Alma Jean Bridegum, Imelda Evans, Becky Holiday and my special first mate Nancy. Not to forget all of the ladies bringing their special treats for the Hospitality Suite.

Our next meeting will be at Alfio's on Thursday, February 26th. Prior to that Nur's Commodore's Ball is February 21st. and Khedive's Ball is on February 14th.

Hope to see you around.

Jay Whitcomb  
Secretary



## 2008 Shriner of the Year



At the Installation Ceremony on January 10, 2009, Joseph F. Burrows was named posthumously Shriner of the Year for 2008, by Ill. Sir F.

William Hershiser, Potentate of Almas Shrine Center. He presented to me a plaque honoring Joe for his outstanding achievements in Almas. Joe passed away in October 2008.

Joe loved being a Shriner in the appointed divan line, also being elected by the membership to serve as Trustee. He served as Fleet Captain and Commodore in the Almas Yacht Club. He currently was serving as Vice President of the Northwest Shrine Club, was the Rear Commodore with the Mid-Atlantic Association of Shrine Yacht Clubs. He also was Colonel of the Units where he loved working on Almas parades. He enjoyed this unit because this gave him an opportunity to participate with his motorcycle in the parades.

Joe really loved being involved with children and was a Shepherd at Almas participating in transporting children to and from the Shriner's Hospital in Philadelphia. It made him very happy to be a part of this.

Thank you again, Ill. Sir Bill for honoring Joe and for Almas for giving Joe the opportunity to be a proud Shriner.

Particia L. Burrows

## Legion Of Honor

A new shrine year is upon us! The entire Legion of Honor would like to congratulate Illustrious Sir Donald R. Ferguson, Sr. on his ascension as Potentate and extend heat felt thanks to Illustrious Sir F. William Hershiser for all of his support this last year.

To introduce myself to my fellow Legionnaires that do not normally make it to the meetings (you know who you are and yes, you really do need to start coming) I am Robin Bodie. I served in the US Army Infantry from 1989 - 1993 and I am a veteran of the Gulf War. During my enlistment I held positions as rifleman, machine gunner, fire team leader, squad leader, Bradley gunner and company sniper.

Currently, I am the Lending Manager for the Prince William County Employees Credit Union in Woodbridge, VA. I am married to Theresa and we have three children: Amanda, Aylssa and Robert. We live in Laurel, Maryland.

To briefly review the calendar or LOH events for this coming year we first have the Valentine's Day Ball on February 14th. Next is Spring MASA LOH May 14 - 16. On August 15th Almas LOH will hold its first Commander's Ball in quite a while. Fall MASA falls on September 9-12. The International LOH Arlington Wreath Laying Ceremony will be held on November 7th.

I would like to encourage all LOH members to please support your unit with your attendance this year. The Valentine's Day and Commander's Ball are going to be a great time. Spring and Fall MASA will be the time where Illustrious Sir Bill Lanham is counting on the Legion to present the col-

ors for Almas during the sessions and parade. The Arlington Wreath Laying is the time where we all can come together and salute our fallen brother and sisters in arms.

In closing, I look forward to serving you as Commander of the Almas Legion of Honor. If there is anything I can do for you, please let me know.

Yours in the Faith  
Robin Bodie  
Commander





# *The Board of Directors*

## **Special Meeting Called by the Potentate**

The Potentate has called a “**Special Business Meeting**” to be held on **March 5, 2009** prior to the Uniformed Units Meeting for the purpose of discussing and voting on the proposed changes to the Almas By-Laws that were presented at our Stated Business Meeting held on January 29, 2009.

Article 11.1 of the By-Laws of Almas Shriners reads: Amendments. These By-Laws maybe amended as provided by the By-Laws of the Imperial Council.

Therefore, Almas Shriners must follow the By-Laws of the Imperial Council as indicated in Article 31, Temple By-Laws, Sections 331.1/331.2 and 331.3.

The proposed changes (amendments) to the Almas By-Laws are as follows (Note: The changes are **bolded** and underlined (except in the title areas)):

### **Article 6** **Fiscal**

#### **Now Reads:**

Section 6.5 Jewel or Token. The proposed annual operating budget of this temple shall contain an expense item not exceeding \$500.00 for the purchase of a suitable jewel or token to be presented in the name of the temple to the retiring Potentate, upon installation of his successor in office.

#### **Change to read:**

Section 6.5 Jewel or Token. The proposed annual operating budget of this temple shall contain an expense item not exceeding **\$1,000.00** for the purchase of a suitable jewel or token to be presented in the name of the temple to the **(delete “retiring”) Potentate, upon his installation to the office.**

#### **Now Reads:**

Section 6.6 Potentate and Recorder Personal Expense. The proposed annual operating budget of this temple shall contain expense items not exceeding \$2,750.00 for the Potentate and not exceeding \$750.00 for the Recorder, for their personal expenses and there shall be no requirement for them to account for the money received therefrom. However, any payment to the Recorder requires a prior written order of the Potentate.

#### **Changed to read:**

Section 6.6 Potentate and Recorder Personal Expense. The proposed annual operating budget of this temple shall contain items not exceeding **\$2,800.00** for the Potentate and not exceeding **\$1,500.00** for the Recorder, for their personal expenses and there shall be no requirement for them to account for the money received therefrom. However, any payment to the Recorder requires a prior written order of the Potentate.

George E. Whetzel  
Recorder

## **Change in Parking arrangements**

**This is to notify everyone that effective March 1, 2009 the Temple will no longer subsidize anyone for parking in the garage.**

This program was originally placed in effect on a trial basis. Our review of this program has shown that it did not achieve the desired results. We were hoping that it would encourage more members to come to the Temple to participate in our events and meetings. But, sad to say, that did not happen. The Temple has spent \$4,000 over the past year that we could not afford to spend. We regret that we have to cancel this program, but we have to be realistic in that the Temple cannot continue in the same path that it has been.

George E. Whetzel  
Recorder





*Almas Shrine  
Legion of Honor  
Presents the  
Annual Valentines Gala*

*Saturday, February 14, 2009*

*Almas Shrine's Grand Ballroom  
\$40.00 per person*

*7:00 - 7:30 PM Social  
7:30 - 9:00 PM Dinner  
9:00 - 11:30 PM Dancing*

*Black Tie & Evening Gown*

*Co-Chairmen  
Robin Bodie & Tony Murray, P.P.*

Limited number of  
rooms available at the  
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Call the Temple Office  
202-898-1688 with your  
reservations before  
February 4, 2009

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*Almas Legion Of Honor Valentine's Gala  
1315 K Street, NW, Washington, DC 20005*

*Reservations deadline February 4, 2009*

*Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_*

*Enclosed is my check for \$\_\_\_\_\_, for \_\_\_\_\_ reservations at \$40.00 per person*

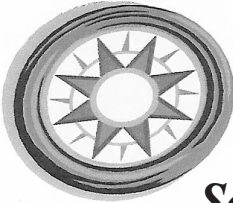
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***Almas Northwest Shrine Club***

***Bull & Oyster Roast***

***March 22, 2009***



***Serving from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm***

***Event open until 5:00 pm***

***Cost 30.00 per person***

***(Children 12 and under free)***

***Roast Beef & Oysters, Clams on the half shell***

***Clam Chowder, Hot Dogs, Baked Beans***

***Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Desserts***

***Coffee, Tea, Beer and Soda***

***At: Rosensteel Council Knights of Columbus Hall***

***9707 Rosensteel Ave., Silver Spring, MD***

***Ticket sales through:***

***President, Royce A. Watson 301-879-2949***

***Secretary, Walter Simon - 301-987-1663***

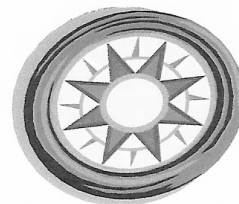
***Almas Shriners - 202-898-1688***

***Chairman, Cloyd Bittner - 301-468-1879***

***Advance ticket sales only***

***No sales at the door***

***Reserved tables of 8 accepted***



***Proceeds are for the benefit of Northwest Shrine Club and not deductible as a charitable contribution***

## Krazy Klown Korner

Almas Klowns still need your help and support to bolster our ranks. When asked for clown help at events, our goal is to muster a large contingent. We still need those who love to make kids happy and who will join our elite group.

At the Childrens' Holiday Party in December, the Klowns had a good turn out and we got many smiles from the children as well as from their parents. As of this writing, the Klowns are preparing for the Annual Super Bowl Party.

As was said before, all Klowns love parades and activities and have more fun, no matter what the weather may bring. We hope to again take part in the Cherry Blossom Parade. At this event, we've had clowns from New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia and Maryland Shriner Centers join with us.

The Friday before the parade we have a Klown Fest where the participating clowns get together and have a grand old time with much fellowship. We make each other smile.

We're a unit where we can be Klowns in or out of kostume and will admit the same. Call Walter Simon at 301-987-1663 or Jay Whitcomb at 301-989-0121 ifn you're interested.

Weird Wally  
Boss Klown (for the present)

## From the Recorders Desk

I would like to thank all of those who came out to the Open Installation of Officers for 2009. There was a very nice crowd and everyone was treated to a great Installation. Imperial Sir Raoul Frevel, Past Imperial Potentate, was the Installing Officer and Ill. Sir Bill Mis-kovic and MWB Ray McMullen who were the Installing Marshals accompanied him. I would like to congratulate all the Officers plus the Unit and Club Heads who were installed. I am looking forward to working with each of you this year.

A couple of members have recently asked me about purchasing Life Membership. Therefore, I thought that this would be a great forum to let everyone know how the Life Membership program works. There are three parts to the "over all dues" or \$60.00 (\$40.00 is for the Temple dues, plus \$15.00 for the Per Capita (which goes to Imperial), plus \$5.00 for the Shriners Hospital (which also goes to Imperial). By the Imperial By-Laws , a Life Membership can be purchased in all three parts and are explained as follows:

20 times the Temple Dues, which are \$40.00 and would equal.....\$800.00  
30 times the \$15.00 Per Capita which would equal.....\$450.00  
Hospital (flat fee) is .....\$150.00

Total .....\$1,400.00

To be able to purchase Life Membership you must be a member in good standing. If you purchase a Life membership in any of the three different categories, you will continue to be billed each year for the other categories until your purchase of Life Membership is complete. Please remember, by the Imperial By-Laws, all three categories must be paid each year until you purchase a Life Membership in them.

I hope that this has explained everything to you. If you have any questions please contact me.

Yours in the Faith  
George E. Whetzel

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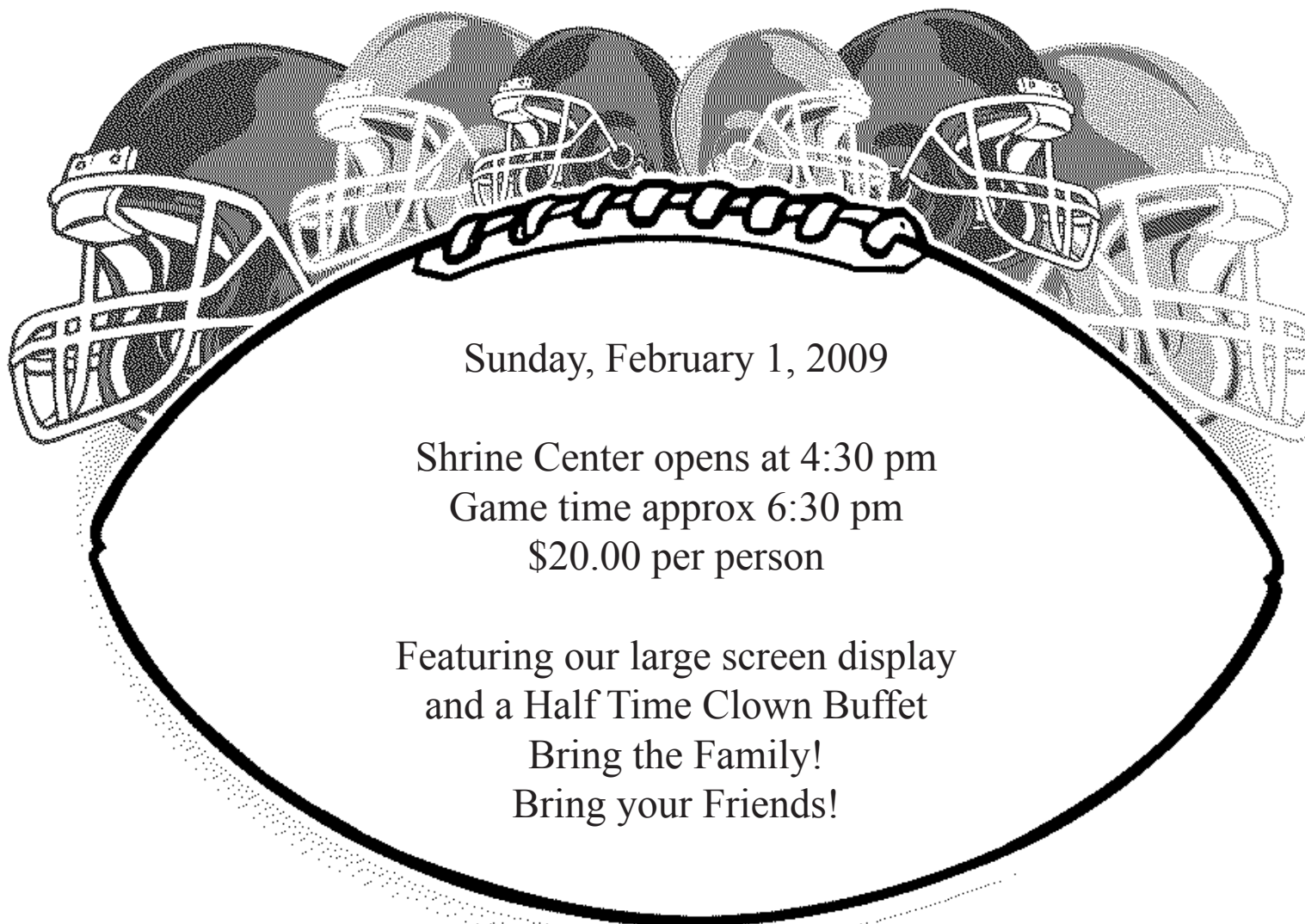
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Ask for Liz or Jen



# *Super Bowl Party*

## *Presented by the Almas Clowns*

*Almas Shrine Center*  
*1315 K Street, NW, Washington, DC 20005*



Sunday, February 1, 2009

Shrine Center opens at 4:30 pm  
Game time approx 6:30 pm  
\$20.00 per person

Featuring our large screen display  
and a Half Time Clown Buffet  
Bring the Family!  
Bring your Friends!

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Mail your reservations and checks to: Almas Shrine Center  
1315 K Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20005

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_, for \_\_\_\_\_ reservations at \$ 20.00 per person  
Make checks payable to: Almas Clowns

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**Burn Awareness Week**  
Preventing Gasoline Burns

## Burn Awareness 2009

Gasoline has only one use – to fuel an engine.  
Any other use is misuse.



The 2009 Burn Awareness campaign again features the popular character, Anthony the Fire Ant! Anthony is featured in the coloring book, as well as on posters, stickers and other materials that are available for order through [www.burnawarenessweek.org](http://www.burnawarenessweek.org).

**Shriners Hospitals for Children has treated more than 800 children since 2002 for acute burns caused by ignition of a highly flammable material, such as gasoline. More than 200 of these children were under age 7, and 584 were in the “tweens” and teens category – ages 8-18. Kids ages 13 and older are in the highest at-risk group for gasoline and other flammable substance burns.**

Gasoline is a necessary part of our everyday lives. Without it, we’d be unable to get to and from work; our store shelves would be empty; our lawn mowers would be idle.

While gasoline is important, it also can be very dangerous. Its fumes can quickly ignite, causing serious injury or death. “Gasoline has only one use – to fuel an engine. Any other use is misuse” is the theme of Shriners Hospitals for Children’s 2009 Burn Awareness campaign.

Feb. 1-7, 2009, is Burn Awareness Week, and Shriners Hospitals for Children will use this week to kick off a year-long campaign focused on preventing gasoline burn injuries.

Preventing burn injuries and burn awareness education should be an ongoing effort, not just a week-long campaign. Shriners are encouraged to share gasoline burn prevention messages throughout 2009 using materials developed specifically for this effort.

Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children have been participating in Burn Awareness Week for almost 20 years, and the 2009 campaign will use a multimedia approach, encompassing print, broadcast and online resources in order to reach as many people as possible with this important information.

A coloring book, classroom lessons, posters, stickers, pens and other materials are available to order at [www.burnawarenessweek.org](http://www.burnawarenessweek.org). A video is also available that features the story of a Shriners Hospitals for Children patient, Austin Bailiff.

Austin, 16, of Cashmere, Wash., knows first-hand the dangers of playing with gasoline. One day in March 2006, Austin and a friend were “bored.” Looking for something to do, they found an old work glove, and wondered if motor oil would ignite the glove. When it didn’t, they poured gasoline into the glove and set it on fire. What they didn’t realize before pouring gasoline into the glove was that a small tag inside the glove actually had caught on fire during their first attempt with motor oil.

Before both teens knew what hit them, the gasoline fumes ignited, covering Austin and burning 90 percent of his body. The doctors who initially treated him gave him a 10 percent chance for survival.

Luckily, the Bailiff family found Shriners Hospitals for Children — Northern California, where Austin continues to receive care. His story is featured in the video, which targets teen audiences, and is available through the Web site.

The video, along with the coloring book and other burn prevention educational materials and promotional items, can be ordered directly through [www.burnawarenessweek.org](http://www.burnawarenessweek.org).



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# *In Memoriam*

*Phillip W. Deckelbaum*  
*11/22/1918 - 12/15/2008*

*Eddie L. Daniel*  
*9/19/1917 - 12/21/2008*

*William P. Nottingham*  
*8/8/1938 - 12/31/2008*

Almas Temple Sick and Shut-in Nobles,  
Give them a call or send them a card.  
(as of 12-30-08)

If you know of a Noble who is ill or shut-in please call John Garrison at 202-898-1688

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*You are cordially invited to the  
Installation of Officers  
Of  
Samla Temple No. 51  
Saturday, March 21, 2009  
At 2:00 p.m. in  
The Grand Ballroom  
Of  
Almas Shrine Center  
1315 K Street, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20005*

*Reception immediately following the ceremony*

*Let your Light Shine in 2009*



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monthly Thursday meetings:  
Please remember to contact**

**Thelma Barmack at  
301-598-3623**

**or the Temple Office at  
202-898-1688**

**And make reservations no  
later than the previous  
Wednesday A.M.**

**COST OF THE DINNER IS  
\$12.00**

**Deadline for the  
next *alibi* is  
the 5th of the month**

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# February 2009

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Super Bowl Party	2	3	4	5 Uniformed Unit Mtg Klowns DON.	6	7
8	9	10	11 Chanters	12 Screwballs	13	14 Valentine Ball
15	16 President's Day Temple Closed	17	18 CHSC Mini Motors Motor Cycle Club	19 Greeters LOH LOS	20	21
22	23 Board Meeting	24	25 NWSC Meeting	26 Flag Unit Yacht Club Chanters	27	28 Khedive Potentate's Ball



# March 2009

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5 Uniformed Unit Mtg DON.	6	7
8 Daylight Savings Time Begins	9	10	11 Chanters	12 Screwballs Installation .....Oriental Guide Seminar.....	13	14 Hospital Screening Clinic
15 .....Ass. Rabban Seminar.....	16	17 St. Patricks Day Party	18 CHSC Mini Motors Motorcycle Club	19 Greeters LOH LOS	20 Rainbow Assembly Session	21 DON Installation
22 Bull & Oyster Roast Rainbow Assembly Session	23 Board Meeting	24	25	26 Flag Unit Yacht Club Chanters	27	28 Salaam Potentate's Ball
29	30	31				

# April 2009

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2 Uniformed Units Mtg. Klowns DON	3	4 Kena & Jaffa Potentate's Ball Cherry Blossom Parade
5	6	7	8 Chanters	9 Screwballs	10	11 LOS Installation
12	13	14	15 CHSC Mini Motors Motor Cycle Club	16 Greeters LOH LOS	17	18 Lu Lu Potentate's Ball
19	20 Board Meeting	21	22 NWSC Meeting	23 Flag Unit Yacht Club Chanters .....Spring MASA.....	24	25 Almas Potentate's Ball
26 .....Order of the Eastern Star.....	27	28	29	30 Temple Business Meeting		