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Potentate's Message



December has been a month full of activity for holiday parties and events sponsored by our Almas family. To mention a few: Yacht Club Holiday Party, Fall Ceremonial, Ladies Holiday Party, Northwest/BCC Shrine Club, Grand Lodge Banquet and Installation, Children's Holiday Party and the Cabiri Dinner. I thank all the people who worked hard to make all these events a success.

The new and improved Ceremonial was outstanding with six new Nobles participating in the cast and two new Nobles providing the wonderful music. As individuals, two dozen Nobles on the side line, we Nobles pledged ourselves to integrity, virtue and nobility of character.

Salutation and felicitations from the Almas Greeters, the Unit of first impressions. The Greeters assist in any and all tasks the Illustrious Potentate requests.

Every day we are reminded of the sacrifices of those in the Armed Forces in harm's way who have given so much to ensure our freedoms. Take time to thank these valiant men and women who serve their country with dignity and honor every day and night. Amid all of the hustle and bustle of the holiday season it is important that we do not lose sight of what is truly important in our lives. While we all have obligations such as work, at the end of the day it is those who care for us that really matter. Taking the time to let someone know how valuable they are and what their service means to others, can make an immediate,

positive difference in someone's life. Take time to say hello, thank you etc. Showing concern and treating others with kindness and respect are key elements of our core values and what it means to be a Shriner.

In our recent Ceremonial we have been introduced to new Nobles who may be strangers. Almas members must receive these men and forge the fraternal bonds among them. We must mentor them to ease the transition of the newly initiated from uninformed to understanding, appreciation and mastery of the Shrine. We must inculcate in them the rich history and traditions of the Shrine and help develop his potential in service as a Shriner.

Take time to get to know the Shriners and most importantly listen to them. Know when and how to ask for help for others or yourself. Commit to making a difference by being a resource for others in need. Create a positive atmosphere of dignity and respect for others. When necessary, intervene to help a fellow Mason or Shriner. Remember, it is all about the kids and together The Dream Lives On! Brightening the kids lives every day.

This is my last alibi message as Potentate. It has been my honor and pleasure to have had the wonderful opportunity to serve you. I thank everyone for all the hard work and dedication over the past years. I have tried to increase our Masonic unity over this past year. We have taken this journey together and together we will continue to accomplish many good things. We must demonstrate usefulness and purpose in order to

serve. The unselfish devotion of many thousands of Nobles who have worn the Almas fez has made this possible. These Nobles, their ladies and children, have developed into a family.

May the love, dedication and prayers of its Nobles be and remain with Almas Shrine.

I wish you seasons greetings and a happy new year.

Yours in the Faith

John R. Damian

Potentate



Ceremonial

Shrine Mason. The very combination of the two names brings to mind that to be a Shriner you must be a Mason. It also brings to mind that Masons join the Shrine, the playground of Masonry, to have fun and help children.

On December 6, 2014, the Ceremonial Cast sought to reinforce this connection. The initiation ceremony for Almas Shriners was re-designed and presented in a format consistent with that of a degree in a Masonic Lodge. The Potentate, Chief and Assistant Rabbans presided in the East. There were stations in the West and South. The altar was illuminated by lights on either side. A second altar with incense of myrrh was placed in the South between the altar and the East. Lights were dimmed to give the effect of a tent scene and music was added to fill the parts when the candidates were perambulating around the room escorted by the Oriental Guide and Marshal and followed by the First and Second Ceremonial Masters. All parts were done by memory.

The cast consisted of the following, including 6 new members of the cast:

Potentate	Alan Gordon, P.P.
Chief Rabban	Don Holliday, P.P.
Assistant Rabban	George Whetzel
High Priest & Prophet	Lonnie Ramos, P.P.
Oriental Guide	Jeff Holt
1st Ceremonial Master	Frank Ireton
2nd Ceremonial Master	Luis Cisneros
Marshal	Annas Kamara
Captain of the Guard	Youssef Diallo
Orator	Walter Simon
Counselor	Royce Watson, P.P.
Inspired Charge	Dan Huertas
Red Fez	Fred Evans
Keyboards	Andre Tiacoh Sadia
Vocalist	Prince Havely
Prompter	Ralph Connolly, P.P.



We always seek that elusive “perfect degree”. This was not a perfect degree. It was an outstanding initiation, however. The five new candidates were positively impressed. Three nobles who did not have speaking parts have asked for speaking parts in the next ceremonial.

Thank you all. You worked hard to learn your parts by memory and participate in the ceremonial.

Recognizing that this new format is a work in progress, the Ceremonial Cast will meet after the Units Meeting on February 5, 2015 to go over “director’s notes” of what worked, what didn’t and identify things that we can do to improve the ceremonial for June, 2015.

Yours in the Faith
Alan Gordon, P.P.



Almas Shriners Annual Business Meeting



2015 Budget

January 8, 2015
7:30 pm

1315 K Street, NW
Washington, DC 20005

Attest:

John R. Garrison, Potentate & Donald R. Ferguson, Sr., P.P., Recorder

Your 2015 Dues card is necessary for admittance.
Wear you Fez.



Hump Day Happy Hour

Wednesday,

January 14, 2015

5:00 PM till 9:00 pm

Open to all Shriners, Master Masons
and Friends.



Light refreshments will be served.





The Almas Transportation Fund is in need of a little boost. If you know of a friend or family member who has a birthday or some special occasion coming along, think of a donation in their honor. We will be very happy to receive this kind donation

and acknowledge everyone for their generosity. Thank you in advance for helping the children of the Shrine Hospital system.

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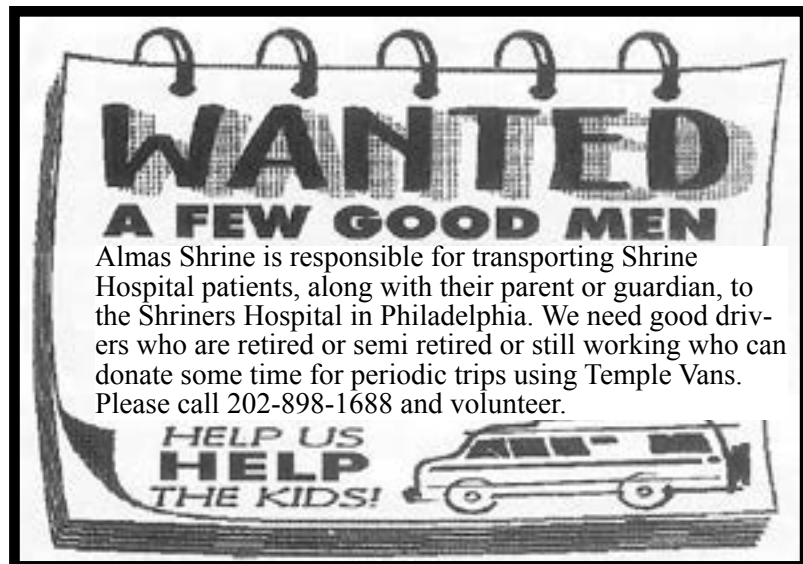
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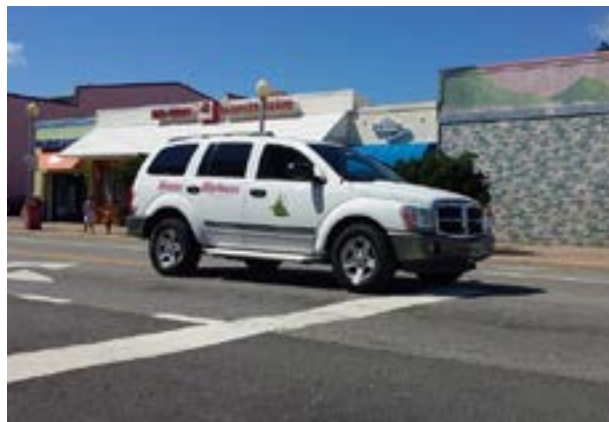
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Almas Yacht Club

Greetings of the Season to you Mates,

It seems like just when we learn to write 2014 we have to start on another year. Lots of thanks to Past Potentate Royce Watson and Christine for hosting our Holiday party on December 5th. We had a good turnout of 35 capped off with a visit from old Santa. He sounded a bit like Fred Evans but you can never be sure. We had a good time with the gift exchange also.



Our next function will be the Commodore's Ball. Please mark your calendars for January 17, 2015 at the Sheraton Annapolis. On Friday evening we have a pot luck and a good lunch on Saturday in the hospitality room. Contact information is in this edition of the alibi.

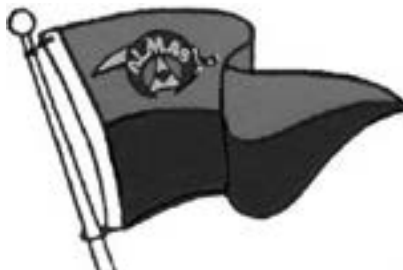
Our new officers for the year 2015 will be:

Mike Porco	Commodore
Frank Ireton	Vice Commodore
Don Ferguson	Rear Commodore
Rick Hall	Fleet Captain
Fred Evans	Secretary
Robert Noel	Treasurer

We meet on the fourth Thursday of each month (except July & August) and would be happy to have you join us. Our meeting place will be announced in early January.

Thanks to all, especially the ladies, for your help this year. It has been appreciated.

Fair Winds,
Jay Whitcomb
Commodore



Sao Paulo Shrine Club, Brazil

On Sunday November 23rd, Donald Holliday, P.P. and Almas Ambassador to Sao Paulo Shrine Club, joined the Sao Paulo club president and some noble members on a visit and tour of the AACD Hospital and rehabilitation center where they were cordially met and guided on an eye opening tour of the facilities by the institution's Clinical Director, Dr. Marcelo.



All were given an opportunity to go thought the hospital and see firsthand the quality of the patients' rooms, the modern equipment and overall technical level of the AACD installations that are available to the children and

pitals for Children system and it shows.

The hospital also provides a complete food service, an up-to-date surgical center, ICU aisle and has a 110 bed capacity which is divided into single, double or triple bed units and, of course, 'Toy Rooms' for kids of all ages.



Don and the other nobles were all very pleasantly surprised with everything they saw.

Don went on to say the, "This is a Shriners level hospital. They've got everything that our Philadelphia Hospital has and maybe a little more. I'm impressed."

Our Almas Shriners club of Sao Paulo would be happy to tell you more about this 'First World' level hospital in Sao Paulo, Brazil or better yet, get you a tour of AACD's fine institution whenever you are in town.

A safe and happy holiday to all the Ladies and Nobles of Almas Temple.

David Whittemore
Almas Ambassador
Sao Paulo, Brazil

Neste 23 de novembro de 2014 Don Holliday esteve em visita ao Shriners Club de Sao Paulo e, juntamente com socios e o Presidente do Clube, estiveram em visita ao Hospital e Centro de Reabilitacao da Associacao de Assistencia a Crianca Deficiente - AACD, tendo sido recepcionados pelo Dr. Marcelo, Diretor Clinico do Hospital, que gentilmente levou os participantes a uma visita ao Hospital e ao Centro de Reabilitacao em Sao Paulo.

Os participantes tiveram oportunidade de conhecer aquelas instalacoes, que prima pelo atendimento as criancas com deficiencia, de maneira moderna, com aparelhos, sistemas e salas de atendimento com tecnologia avancada, o que inclui piscina especial, salas de convivencia e de amparo de motricidade, monitorado por camaras para registrar o progresso do tratamento, aparelhos mecanicos para recuperacao de traumas, dentre outros.

Conta o hospital com centro cirurgico e UTI, enfermarias para dois ou tres pacientes, no maximo, e apartamentos individuais, totalizando 110 leitos, tudo muito moderno, limpo e amplo, contando, ainda, com uma excelente brinquedoteca.

Don Holliday demonstrou enorme satisfacao, alem de surpreso pela qualidade das possibilidades no atendimento aos pacientes, no que foi acompanhado pelos demais integrantes da visita.

adults who are lucky enough to be patients. All were able to see modern robotic monitoring apparatuses, motion filming studios, fully equipped therapeutic recovery rooms and swimming pools

that serve the individual needs of the children, teens and adults recovering from or living with chronic birth defects and the individual traumas that



affect each of them. It's heartening to know that a few of the hospital's professional team have, in the past, received training in our Shriners Hos-



*Join Almas Shriners
at the
Open Installation
of the 2015 Officers*

January 3, 2015

2:00 pm



*Almas Temple
1315 K Street, NW
Washington, DC 20005*

Attest:

*John R. Garrsion, Potentate
Donald R. Ferguson, Sr., P.P. Recorder*

*Wear your Fez.
Your 2015 Dues card will be
needed for admittance to all
business meeting.*



ALMAS YACHT CLUB

60th Annual Commodore's Ball and Change of Watch



Honoring Commodore-elect Mike Porco



January 17, 2015

Cocktails 6:00 p.m. Procession & Dinner 7:00 p.m.

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Questions? Call Fred Evans: 301-460-1982

fwevans@verizon.net

Or Mike Porco: 301-659-0093

michaelporco@yahoo.com

AYC Ball Reservation Form

Ball/Dinner deadline Sat. Jan. 3, 2015

Cost: \$70.00 per person. Please make checks payable to **Almas Yacht Club**

Mail to: **MIKE PORCO, Commodore-Elect**

145 Fleet Street, Suite 181, National Harbor, MD 20745



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Entrée Choice: London Broil: _____ Herb-crusted Salmon: _____ Chicken Picata: _____

Arrival: Friday _____ Sat. Lunch _____ Sat. Evening _____

Proceeds from this activity are for the benefit of Almas Yacht Club and not tax deductible.

Daughters of the Nile



A new year is upon us! I would like to take this time to congratulate Illustrious Sir, John Garrison and his officers on a wonderful year for Almas Shriners. I've enjoyed working with you and spending time with you all as our paths crossed this past year. I would also like to wish the new officers of the Almas Shriners a successful 2015! If you ever need anything from Samla Temple, we're just a phone call away.

On December 6th and 7th we held our Holiday Open House at the home of Past Queen Helen Pearson. We are still tallying the proceeds, but I want to thank everyone who supported the event. We had lots of good food and it was nice being able to take a little time out of our busy schedules to enjoy each other's company.

In the last alibi, I mentioned that we would be selling Mascot Pecans to raise money for the Philadelphia Hospital. I'm happy to report that we sold every single bag we ordered, which will be over \$300 for the wheelchair fund!

We also held a meeting to discuss the possibility for providing tray favors for the Philadelphia Hospital. We came up with a plan and are going to get together in mid-January to assemble them. I'm very excited that the temple is trying something new and creative for the children. Donations are obviously appreciated by the hospital, but sending something from the heart makes it even more special.

Nile Love,
Queen Rachael Sunderland
samla51queen@gmail.com



Assistant Rabban



As we enter the new year, we can look back over the accomplishments made and those items which we wish we had been able to complete. There is no doubt that we could do much better if only all the members took as much interest in the success of Almas as the few who are always there and who consistently volunteer to take on new challenges as they arise. It seems that there is never sufficient time to attend the various club and units meetings and then participate in the work of the Temple as well. If we were able to increase our membership, the same loyal members would not have to do everything. In this new year, I challenge all the Nobles who are members of Almas to become re-involved in the activities and programs of the Temple. Please do not let activities be cancelled because of lack of interest and participation.

December was a whirlwind of activity for many of us who participate in various organizations. On December 1, the Northwest-BCC Shrine Club held its annual holiday party. Those in attendance shared a good meal and good fellowship. The next evening I participated in the installation of officers of Joppa Lodge 35. Next came the Almas business meeting and election of officers for 2015, the Yacht Club Holiday Party at the home of Royce and Christine Watson and finally the Ceremonial on Saturday followed by the Ladies Luncheon. Which was enjoyed by all. That was the end of the first week of December. Next there was the Almas Budget meeting, two additional club parties and the Grand Lodge Communication to end the second week. The Children's Holiday party and the Latin Club party rounded out the third week. Finally the Almas Board meeting took place on the 22nd and that ended the activities for 2014. Soon it will be time to start all over again. It has been a busy year, but I have enjoyed it.

Come on Nobles, join in the fun and be a part of your Temple. Only you can make it successful.

Yours in the Faith,
Fred Evans
Assistant Rabban



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Sao Paulo, Brazil Trip

The Shrine Clubs in Espirito Santo and in Sao Paulo both had meetings in November and as ambassador to the Sao Paulo Club, I was dispatched by Almas to visit for those meetings. On November 19th I left for Sao Paulo and arrived quite exhausted after more than 13 hours on two flights.

David Whitmore of the Sao Paulo club met me on my arrival Thursday and we then took a shorter flight to Espirito Santo and met with about 12 members, including the club President, Dr. Eduardo Antonio Beracchi Uvo, the club Treasurer DGM Walter Alves Noronha and the club translator Thiago Scalfoni. They took David and I to the Grand Lodge and we toured the building. The treasurer showed me their books bound by year and containing receipts for all actions and member dues payments to Almas. I was impressed with the organization of their records. After this, we went out for a dinner meeting and socializing. The past President complimented Tony Murray on his help with their By-Laws, and remembered seeing Tony and Jennifer in his travels.

David and I spent the night in Espirito Santo. On Friday, some of the club officers and members took us to visit Infantil E Maternidade/Dr. Alvir Bernadino Alves' hospital which treats infants and mothers. It was sparse and less well equipped than our hospitals however they are very proud of the hospital efforts and their club wishes to participate in helping the hospital.

David and I returned to Sao Paulo Friday on a very cramped flight. He and his wife Helena very generously hosted me in their home. On Saturday, David and I attended an open club ceremonial where they took in two new members. The cast, the new members and a few other visitors attended, including a young doctor, Luiz Ricardo de Andrade, who is seeking training in the United States, preferably at a Shriners Hospital. I have passed his resume on to Don Ferguson. The club President, Jose Henrique "Ica" Caldas Vianna, officiated. The club ritualist and future secretary, Henrique Alezandre de Barros, acted as Chief Rabban. I opened Almas Temple; the members voted on the petitions which were both approved and the new nobles went through the ceremonial. I thought the ceremonial was well done and Dr. Ricardo de Andrade will likely become a Shriner.

After this event, David and I went to a heavy lunch and toured some of Sao Paulo, went into the nearby mountains and returned to his house. The next day, Sunday, the club had arranged a visit to a rehab hospital, AACD or Associa-cao de Assistance a Crianças Deficiente, which I found very modern and well equipped. Pictures of the rooms and equipment were sent by Davis to the Almas office and some may appear in this alibi.

I conveyed to both clubs that they could put articles about their monthly activities (in both English and Portuguese) into the alibi, due prior to the 5th of the month. We look forward to seeing these reports and hope other Almas clubs will follow their lead.

Overall, I believe the trip was very successful and I believe the clubs will continue to grow under the guidance of their officers. I should note the length of trips and the extreme confinement of the seating made the trip very uncomfortable and difficult to rest and I strongly recommend a more comfortable seating class for such a long trip.

Respectfully submitted
Don Holliday, P.P.
Almas Ambassador to Sao Paulo



In Memoriam

Edward M. Fern
1/26/1932 - 11/7/2014

Arthur B. Sessoms
5/25/1938 - 11/29/2014

Cecilio Caraballo
4/14/1937 - 12/9/2014

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(as of 12-31-14)

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Thursday Night Dinner

January 8, 2015 is the Temple Business meeting with the presentation of the Temple Budget for 2015 and the Daughters of the Nile Meeting.

There will be dinner served before the meeting in the dining room and it is open to all who make reservations. The cost is \$12.00 per person.

Call the Temple Office at 202-898-1688 to make your reservation by Wednesday, January 7th at 12 noon.

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Looking forward to seeing everyone.

DINNER WILL BE SERVED STARTING AT 6:00 PM



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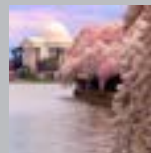
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JANUARY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 New Years Day Temple Closed	2	3 Open Installation
4	5	6	7	8 Annual Business Meeting & Budget DON	9	10
11	12	13	14	15 Greeters	16	17 Yacht Club Commodore's Ball
18	19 Martin Luther King Day Temple Closed	20	21 Motor Corp.	22 Flag Unit	23	24
25	26 Board Meeting	27	28 Northwest/BCC Shrine Club Installation of Officers	29	30 Legion Mtg.	31

FEBRUARY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5 Uniformed Units & DON	6	7 Scottish Rite Installation
8	9	10	11	12 Screwballs	13	14 Valentine's Day Valentine's Dinner & Dance
15	16 Presidents' Day Temple Closed	17	18 Motor Corp. Ash Wednesday	19 Greeters	20	21
22	23 Board Meeting	24	25 NWSC/BCC Meeting	26 Flag Unit Yacht Club	27 Legion Mtg.	28

MARCH

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 Recorder's Seminar	3	4	5 Units Meeting DON	6 Oriental Guide's Seminar	7
8 Bull & Oyster Roast Daylight Saving Time begins	9 Assistant Rabban's Seminar	10	11	12 Screwballs Installation	13	14
15 DON Installation	16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18 Motor Corp. Mtg.	19 Greeters	20	21
22	23 Board Meeting	24	25 NWSC/BCC Meeting	26 Flag Unit Yacht Club	27	28 Treasurer's Seminar
29 Treasurer's Seminar	30 Palm Sunday	31 Legion Mtg.				

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