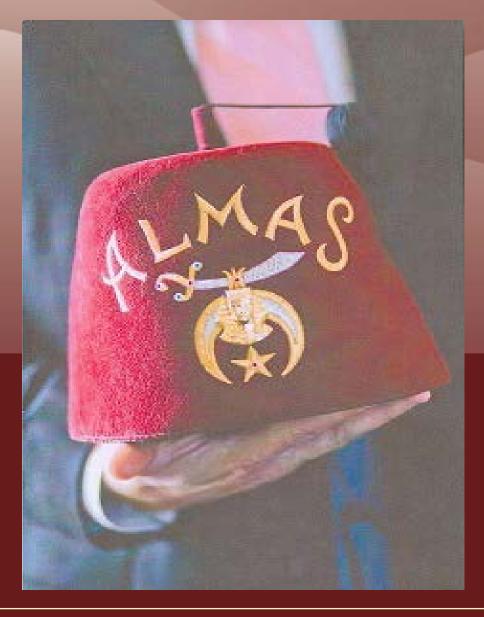
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The Almas Shriners' Spring Sprint is winding down. The first quarter of 2017 has been extremely busy for myself, the Divan and many other dedicated Nobles.

Vanessa and I had the privilege of attending the Potentate's Ball for Illustrious Sir Mark Hartz at Boumi Shriners and for Illustrious Sir Thorton Holt of Acca Shriners. We enjoyed a warm Shrine welcome at both Temples and had a great time. On April 1st we hosted our

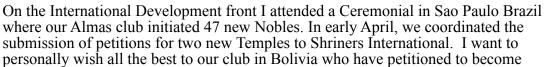
Almas Temple Mardi Gras Ball and Charity after party; by all accounts the event was a hit. There were nearly 170 in attendance well representing Masonry in District of Columbia for the ball and many more for the after party. In addition to having a great time we raised over \$5,000 for the Almas Transportation Fund.



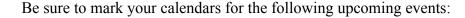
I would like to extend my appreciation to: Temple-Noyes-Cathedral Lodge #32, Federal Lodge #1, Singleton-Hope-Lebanon Lodge #7 for their generous charity donations. In addition, I would like to thank the Grand Lodge of D.C. as well as the D.C. Scottish Rite for their support at the event. I would also like to thank two Nobles, Bruce French and Richard C Tulowitzky who made personal donations to the event even though they were unable to attend. Finally, a huge thank you the decorating and planning committee: Lady Vanessa and my son Izaak who licked hundreds of envelopes and blew up of even more balloons, Debbie Ferguson orchestrated the amazing center pieces, Anthony and Jennifer Murray, Frank and Stephanie Ireton, as well as Noble JD Holt and Noble Mark Price for spending a day helping me decorate.

Earlier this Spring Lady Vanessa was honored to join the Daughters of the Nile Samla Temple #51. We also attended the beautiful Installation of new Queen Diane Logue and the new Samla officers. Thanks again to the Ladies of Samla for all you do to support Almas Temple and Shriners Hospitals for Children.

As anyone who has visited Washington in April can attest it is a great time of year to visit and see the Cherry Blossoms along the Tidal Basin. Every year, we are honored to participate in the National Cherry Blossom Parade. This year we had Shrine Clowns from Rhode Island, Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia who participated. A special thank you to Ill. Sir Paul Friedlander and Frank Ireton who worked hard to get our Almas Fire Engine back in service.



BOLIVIA Shriners and to our club in Sao Paulo Brazil who have petitioned to become AMAL Shriners at this year's Imperial Session in Daytona Beach this July. Good Luck Nobles!



- May 13 Almas Peruvian Club Installation and Party
- May 10 Grand Lodge of DC Semi-Annual Communication
- May 20 Temple Picnic at Alan Gordon's House
- May 21 (Morning) Olney Days Parade
- May 21 (Afternoon) Almas Memorial Service

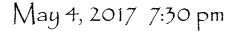






Almas Shriners Business Meeting





1315 K Street, NW Washington, DC 20005

Attest:







Your 2017 Dues card is necessary for admittance.

Chief Rabban

Spring has finally arrived in our Nation's Capital and with this new season brings several Temple activities. A new club has arrived at Almas Temple, the Almas Spirits Society, who had their first regular meeting on March 17th. After a brief membership meeting, the Society joined the Membership Committee in hosting a Temple St. Patrick's Day party. This event was a great success and several Nobles brought Masonic Brothers to take part.

The Spirit Society will be hosting a Cinco de Mayo event on May 5th at the Temple. This event will be open to members of the society and supportive spouses. We will be providing a tequila tasting experience, where we will be sampleing three different categories of the National Drink of our Neighbors to the South. This tasting will be free to Society Members and their guests, but non members can also attend at a cost of \$10.00 per person.

Nobles wishing to join the Society may do so at this event. For further information, please contact Noble Frank Ireton at fireton@mac.com or Noble JD Holt jeffholt@gmail.com

One Tequila, Two Teguila, Three Tequila...Floor

Noble JD Chief Rabban



Almas Yacht Club

Almas Yacht Club is looking over the horizon to a rapidly approaching busy summer. After several years of foul weather during Commodore Ball season our 2017 ASYC Commodore Don Ferguson, has moved the Commodore's Ball to June 10th this year. The Ball, associated hospitality and MAASYC meeting will be held at the Temple. Commodore Don has made special arrangements for rooms at a bargain rate of \$109.00 plus tax at the Hamilton Crowne Plaza hotel next door to the temple for those who wish to stay over.

In July the MAASYC Rendezvous will be held at Spring Cove Marina and Holiday Inn in Solomons Island, Maryland. This is always a fun time as Shriner Mariners from all over the Chesapeake Bay gathering for three days of fun, games, hospitality and dining. MAASYC Commodore Illustrious Sir Rick Hall, PC, has chosen Hillbilly Bash for a theme to add to the fun this year. Highlights will include a boat parade, radio control boat race, pizza party, and dinner dance. Watch for registration and housing information to be out shortly.

As a fund raising raffle for Almas Shriners Yacht Club First Mate Stephanie and I are donating a Day on the Bay sailing aboard our boat, SV Second Life. We will depart from Shipwright Harbor Marina at 9:00 am for a day sail on the Chesapeake Bay returning around 5:00 pm. Lunch, snacks, and beverages are included. Drawing will be held June 24th during the Spring Ceremonial and you need not be present to win. Tickets are \$10.00 each, three for \$25.00 and are available from Bridge officers or via e-mail: fireton@mac.com.

Fair winds and following seas, Frank Ireton, PC





Almas Yacht Club Invites you To a Day on the Bay Aboard SV Second Life

Almas Yacht Club is selling raffle tickets for a one day outing on the Chesapeake Bay. SV Second Life is a 36 foot Hunter sailboat with a sloop rig. Date of the trip will be mutually decided by Skipper Frank Ireton, PC and winner of the raffle and will be dependent on weather conditions. We will depart from slip F7 at Shipwright Harbor in Deale, Maryland at 9:00 am and will return around 5:00 pm. Lunch, snacks, and beverages will be provided.

Raffle Tickets can be purchased from Almas Yacht Club Bridge Officers or via email: fireton@mac.com Tickets are \$10.00 each Or three for \$25.00.

Proceeds benefit Almas Yacht Club and are not tax deductible.



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.

DONATIONS



Almas Transportation Fund Donations

Remember a loved one or a friend, make a donation to the Almas Hospital Transportation Fund. Make checks payable to:
Almas Hospital Transportation Fund and mail to
Almas Shriners,
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Almas Shriners/Jack Chaillet Memorial Golf Tournament

Monday, August 7, 2017

Renditions Golf Club 1380 W. Central Ave. Davidsonville, MD 21035 410-798-9798



Registration: 8:00 A.M. Shotgun Start: 9:00 A.M. Lunch & Awards: 2:00 P.M.

Individual Golf Package \$75.00 (Includes Lunch)

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For questions call **202-898-1688**

Assistant Rabban - Frank Ireton



Laissez les bon temps rouler. Wow! Great Mardi Gras themed Potentates Ball honoring Illustrious Sir Michael and First Lady Vanessa with four—count them—four bands. A lot of planning and preparation went into makeing this year's Ball a success. With no time for a break we will go to a business meeting this week and it will be followed by the Children's Easter party on April 9th. Been to a business meeting lately? Best way to keep track of what is going on with your Shrine and upcoming events. Come early for the social hour and dinner prior to the meeting for companionship and renewing acquaintances. Are you a member of an Almas unit or club? Join and take an active part in one of the units or clubs to get the most out of your Shrine membership.

Sandwiched in the middle of all the April activities is the Cherry Blossom Parade. Almas Clowns will be taking part again this year and will be joined by clowns from other temples. After an arduous journey to the repair shop in Hagerstown the Almas Clown's fire

engine is once again back and in running order. The fire engine as well as the Legion of Honor's Checker cab are in running order and will be available for local parades. The Clowns are looking for members to participate in parades and other clown functions. A fun way to get into helping the kids.

On May 20th Illustrious Sir Alan Gordon will open his back yard and deck for the Almas picnic, a fun family event. I understand that in keeping with Maryland summer picnic tradition there will be steamed crabs as well as other picnic foods for those not into crabs. It goes without saying there will be beer and other beverages for your refreshment. Look for registration in this month's Alibi and register early so a count can be made in order to procure sufficient crabs.

On a personal note in April I will pass another milestone in my Masonic career. Forty-eight years ago, on April 6th, 1969 I knocked three times on the door of Fidelity Lodge 80 AF&AM located in Glens Ferry, Idaho. I was greeted by my father who had flown in from Seattle to take part in the Master Mason degree as a surprise. The degree was conferred by, and I was raised by, my at-the-time father-in-law with the assistance of grandfather-in-law. My membership was to be in Elmore 30 located in Mountain Home but a dispensation had been granted for the degree since my Father-in-law was Worshipful Master of Fidelity 80. Fidelity 80 is a lodge made up of retired railroaders and ranchers. The stories from the old time railroaders made a visit to the lodge interesting.

See you at the Temple or at one of the Temple functions.

Frank Ireton, Assistant Rabban, Almas Shriners



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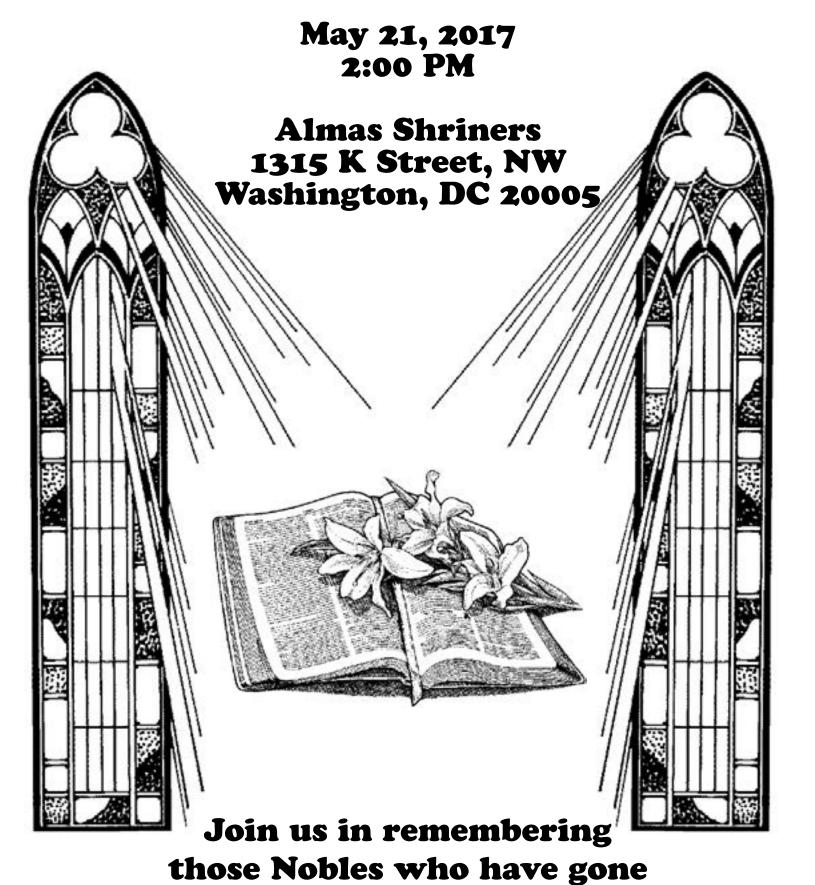
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September 5 - 9, 2017

Hampton Inn Ocean South 1011 Atlantic Avenue Virginia Beach, 23451

Ocean Front Rooms \$135.00 per night plus tax (3 night minimum)



A deposit of \$50.00 is required with your room reservation.

We are sharing the hospitality room with Kena Shrine and there will be a \$15.00 charge per room to cover the costs.

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Room Reservation are due no later than August 1, 2017 All Cancellations must be made by August 31, 2017

Please fill out and return to the Temple Office to reserve your room by August 1, 2017 Almas Shriners, 1315 K Street, NW, Washington, DC 20005

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Almas Wall of Honor

Greetings Nobles and Ladies,

If you haven't noticed recently, our Wall of Honor continues to grow. If you haven't had a plaque hung on the wall in memory or in recognition of the effort being put forth of a Noble, you might want to consider doing it.

Think back in your past and see if you can't remember a Noble who made significant contributions to the work of the Shrine and the principles for which it stands. Perhaps there is someone still taking on projects or contributing to the welfare of their club or unit.



This Wall of Honor is a great way to honor those who have or are still working diligently for the Shrine. Too often those who have performed significantly are soon forgotten. Help make our Wall a lasting memory to the good work of our brethren past and present.

Contact Fred Evans, P.P. if you have any questions at fwevans@verizon.net or 301-460-1982

Nobles of the Almas Temple,

Greetings from Samla Temple No. 51 Daughters of the Nile. As Princess Badoura, I am coordinating the fundraising projects to support the Convalescent Relief Account

WE ARE LAUNCHING A MOTHERS' DAY RAFFLE! DAY OF RAFFLE: MAY 4, 2017 PRIZE: A \$40 COLD STONE CREAMERY GIFT CARD

- ★ 2 tickets for \$5.00 no limit on entries per person
- ★ To buy tickets <u>IN ADVANCE</u>:
 - o Call or email Pr. Badoura with CRA in the subject line to place ticket order ph: 215-514-6517 / aaorsi57@gmail.com
 - o Send payment to: Pr. Adriana Orsi at 307 Lane Ct, Bel Air, MD 21015
 - Make checks payable to Samla Temple No. 51 and reference Convalescent Relief Account
 - o Payment must be received by **MAY 2, 2017**
- * LAST CHANCE to buy tickets will be **BEFORE** the business meeting on MAY 4, 2017 at Almas Temple
- ★ Winner will be notified by phone on May 5, 2017
- * Any additional donations are welcome!

Feel free to call or email me with any questions. Thank you for your continuous and kind support.

Adriana Orsi

Pr. Badoura





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SAVE THE DATE! **Expanded Board Day**

At the Philadelphia Shriners Hospital

Thursday, June 15

The day will include a program, lunch and tours.

8:30 am— tours

10:00 am — morning program

11:30 — check presentations

12:00 pm-lunch

1:15 pm- Open public board meeting

Tours will also be available in the afternoon.

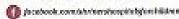
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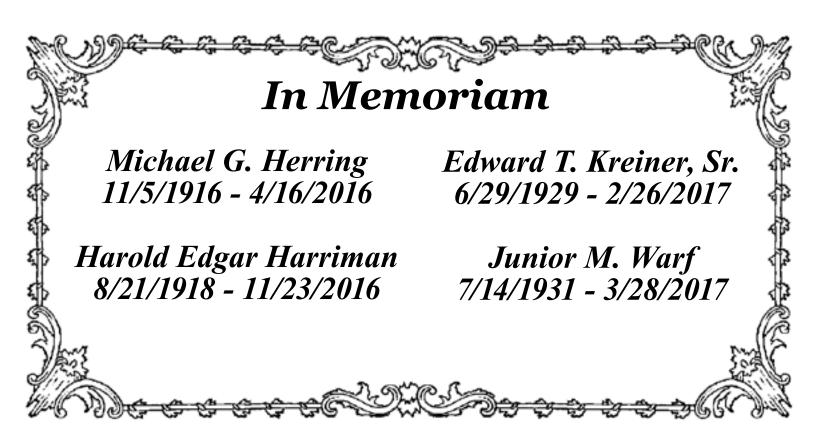
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Thursday Night Dinner

May 4, 2017 is the Temple Business Meeting and the Daughters of the Nile Session.

Dinner will be served starting at **6:00 pm** in the dining room and it is open to all who make reservations.

The cost is \$15.00 per person.

Call the Temple Office at 202-898-1688 to make your reservation by Wednesday, May 3rd. before 12 noon.

Catering by Catering Resources

Looking forward to seeing everyone.

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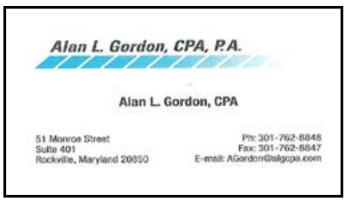


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