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# November Birthdays

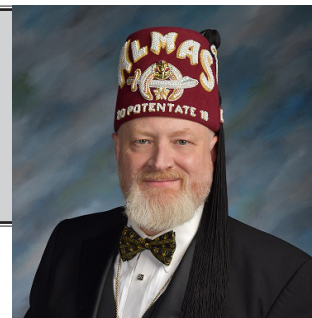


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Derek M. Williamson  
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# Potentate's Message



The Season of Thanksgiving is upon us Nobles. I believe it is proper that we as Master Masons, take time out during this busy holiday season to give thanks to the Grand Architect of the Universe for the many blessings that he has given to us. It has been a busy year, and at times a very trying year. My late Grand Mother once told me that "The Good Lord doesn't always give us what we ask for, but he gives use what we need".

There is a business meeting, on November 1<sup>st</sup>, and I ask each Noble that is able to attend. At this meeting we will be discussing the financial future of our Temple. We will be voting on a proposed motion to raise our Temple dues by \$50 for the next Shrine dues cycle. If you are unable to attend this meeting, but would like to share your comments with me concerning the motion, please email me at [potentate@almasshriners.org](mailto:potentate@almasshriners.org). I will share comments that I find appropriate, both for and against the motion, as I'm able during our Business Meeting.

Temple Elections are coming up quick Nobles. I have created an Elections Search Committee that includes Ill. Sir Fred W. Evans, and Noble Jay Whitcomb, who are tasked to search for Nobles wishing to stand for election to serve Almas Shriners. Any Noble wishing to be considered for an elected position, please contact these individuals before December 3, 2018.

In closing today, I will share with you the Proclamation of Thanksgiving, given by President Abraham Lincoln in October of 1863. During troubling times in our Country, I feel it's important to remember how much we have endured as a Nation, to become the Nation we are today. May Peace and Harmony prevail in your homes during this Thanksgiving Season.

Yours in the Faith,

Noble JD

"The year that is drawing towards its close, has been filled with the blessings of fruitful fields and healthful skies. To these bounties, which are so constantly enjoyed that we are prone to forget the source from which they come, others have been added, which are of so extraordinary a nature, that they cannot fail to penetrate and soften even the heart which is habitually insensible to the ever watchful providence of Almighty God. In the midst of a civil war of unequalled magnitude and severity, which has sometimes seemed to foreign States to invite and to provoke their aggression, peace has been preserved with all nations, order has been maintained, the laws have been respected and obeyed, and harmony has prevailed everywhere except in the theatre of military conflict; while that theatre has been greatly contracted by the advancing armies and navies of the Union. Needful diversions of wealth and of strength from the fields of peaceful industry to the national defense, have not arrested the plough, the shuttle or the ship; the axe has enlarged the borders of our settlements, and the mines, as well of iron and coal as of the precious metals, have yielded even more abundantly than heretofore. Population has steadily increased, notwithstanding the waste that has been made in the camp, the siege and the battle-field; and the country, rejoicing in the consciousness of augmented strength and vigor, is permitted to expect continuance of years with large increase of freedom. No human counsel hath devised nor hath any mortal hand worked out these great things. They are the gracious gifts of the Most High God, who, while dealing with us in anger for our sins, hath nevertheless remembered mercy. It has seemed to me fit and proper that they should be solemnly, reverently and gratefully acknowledged as with one heart and one voice by the whole American People. I do therefore invite my fellow citizens in every part of the United States, and also those who are at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November next, as a day of Thanksgiving and Praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the Heavens. And I recommend to them that while offering up the ascriptions justly due to Him for such singular deliverances and blessings, they do also, with humble penitence for our national perverseness and disobedience, commend to His tender care all those who have become widows, orphans, mourners or sufferers in the lamentable civil strife in which we are unavoidably engaged, and fervently implore the interposition of the Almighty Hand to heal the wounds of the nation and to restore it as soon as may be consistent with the Divine purposes to the full enjoyment of peace, harmony, tranquility and Union."



# Almas Shriners Business Meeting

November 1, 2018 7:30 pm

1315 K Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20005

Attest:

Jeffrey D. Holt, Potentate

&

Donald R. Ferguson, Sr., P.P., Recorder

Wear your Fez



***Your 2018 Dues Card is necessary for admittance.***



Nobles of Almas Shriners,

Greetings from Samla Temple No. 51 Daughters of the Nile.

As Princess Tirzah, I am coordinating the fundraising projects to support our Ways and Means.

**WE ARE LAUNCHING A CHRISTMAS RAFFLE!**

**ARE YOU PLANNING TO BUY LITTLE PRESENTS FOR YOUR LOVE ONES? OUR SPA BASKET HAS MANY!!!!  
CANDLES, SOAP, BRUSH, PUMICE STONE, BODY LOTION, BODY WASH AND MORE!!!!**

**WE WILL DRAW A WINNING TICKET ON DECEMBER 6, 2018 JUST ON TIME TO WRAP AND GIVE!!!**

**TICKETS ARE \$5.00 EACH – NO LIMIT ON ENTRIES PER PERSON.**

**TO BUY TICKETS IN ADVANCE:**

- Call or email Pr. Tirzah to place a ticket order → phone: 215-514-6517 / aaorsi57@gmail.com
- Send payment to: **Pr. Adriana Orsi at 307 Lane Ct, Bel Air, MD 21015**
- Make checks payable to Samla Temple No. 51, and reference Ways and Means
- Payment must be received by December 1st.

**LAST CHANCE** to buy tickets will be **BEFORE** the business meeting on December 6, **2018** at Almas Temple

★ Winner will be notified by phone on December 7, 2018

★ *Any additional donations are welcome!*

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

Proceeds are for the benefit of Samla Temple No. 51 and are not tax deductible.

## Join Us in Nashville for the 2019 Imperial Session

The 2019 Imperial Session of Shriners International will take place in Nashville, Tennessee, Sunday, June 30 through Thursday, July 4. All nobles, ladies and their families are invited to join Imperial Sir Jim Cain and Lady Patsy in Music City for the fraternity's biggest event of the year.

There is so much to do in Nashville that you may never want to leave. The city is steeped in tradition, and summer in Music City offers an endless array of music, food, art and family-friendly activities. Come enjoy this vibrant city with us while celebrating the fun, fellowship and philanthropy that makes Shriners International the greatest fraternity in the world.

### About Music City

There is no place quite like Nashville, the capital of Tennessee. The city is full of so much life, and vibrates to the beat of every kind of music. Nashville may be recognized around the world as the birthplace of country music, but Music City truly plays all the genres. Home to more than 180 recording studios and 5,000 working musicians, you can hear live music flowing from every direction throughout the city, every night of the week.

One of the most famous music venues in Nashville is the historic Ryman Auditorium, built in 1892. Nicknamed the "Carnegie Hall of the South," the Ryman attracts musicians

and fans from all over the world. This is not just another nightly music venue or daytime tourist stop – the Ryman is renowned around the globe as one of the best performance halls in the world. It is the exact spot where bluegrass was born, where Johnny Cash met June Carter, where country music found an audience beyond its own back porch, and where countless careers took off as deals were signed backstage. It was also home to the Grand Ole Opry from 1943 to 1974.

Founded in 1925 as a one-hour radio "barn dance" on WSM, Nashville's Grand Ole Opry is said to be the show that made country music famous. Renowned for creating one-of-a-kind entertainment experiences, the Grand Ole Opry is now the longest running radio broadcast in U.S. history, dedicated to honoring country music and its history. Every show features the new stars, superstars and legends of the genre. Year after year, hundreds of thousands of people from around the world come to see the Grand Ole Opry show live, which is now performed at the Grand Ole Opry House.

While you are visiting Nashville, also be sure to check out the Country Music Hall of Fame® and Museum, located a block away from the popular honky-tonks of Broadway. Often called the "Smithsonian of country music," the museum seeks to collect, preserve, and interpret the evolving history and traditions of country music through exhibits, publications, and educational programs.

In addition to its incredible music scene, Nashville offers even more to do, explore and discover. The city is known and loved for its characteristic warm, Southern hospitality; unique and exciting first-class food options; boundless spectrum of nightlife; and dynamic, rich history. Another must-see attraction in Nashville is the Parthenon, located in beautiful Centennial Park. Built in 1897, the Parthenon is a full-scale replica of the



original Parthenon in Athens, Greece, and also serves as Nashville's art museum.

### Music City Center

The 2019 Imperial Session will be held at the Music City Center, the perfect venue for any size event, from a small, private dinner to a large-scale convention like ours.

The Music City Center offers stunning views of the Nashville skyline and, in keeping with the city's commitment to sustainable development, includes a 4-acre green roof. In addition, the building has been designed to capture Nashville's best attributes and immerse visitors in the unique character of Music City.

### We Hope to See You There

Shriners International invites all nobles, ladies and their families to join us for the 145th Imperial Session in Nashville. We look forward to seeing you all at our annual Shriners family reunion in this incredible and one-of-a-kind city. We promise it will be a wonderful time you will never forget.

To learn more, please visit the official 2019 Imperial Session website, [imperial2019.com](http://imperial2019.com), or Facebook page, [facebook.com/JimCain2019](https://facebook.com/JimCain2019).



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### Future Imperial Sessions:

July 5 - July 9, 2020  
Kansas City, Missouri

July 4 - July 8, 2021  
Houston, Texas

July 3 - July 7, 2022  
Minneapolis, Minnesota





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***

***In Memory of Stella Goldblum Zanooff***

Irwin Pescov

***In Memory of Martin L. Kamerow***

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***In Memory of Carl England, P.P.***

Grant & Beverly Berning

***In Memory of Cecil Cook, P.P.***

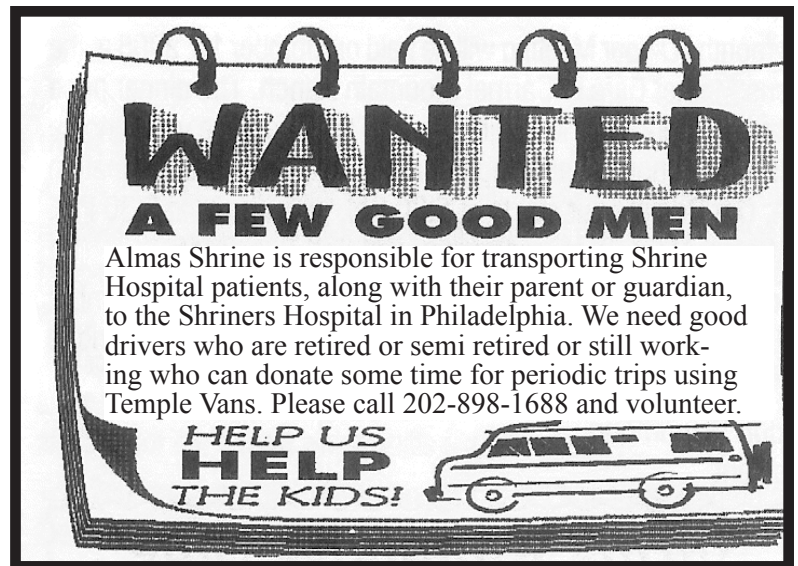
Grant & Beverly Berning

***In Honor of Donald Holliday, Jr.***

Bill & Nancy Lanham

### ***Other Donations***

Bob & Diana Dodd



## **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, 1315 K Street, NW Washington, DC 20005. Donations to the Transportation Fund are tax deductible.

Date..... Amount \$.....

In Memory of.....

In Honor of.....

Person(s) to whom acknowledgment is to be sent:

Name.....

Address.....

City & State..... Zip.....

Name of Donor(s).....

Address.....

City & State..... Zip.....



# Chief Rabban - Frank Ireton



Nobles, I want to begin this month's rambling where I left off last time, by reiterating the importance of your attendance at the monthly Almas Business meetings. Reading the alibi and talking with other Nobles only gives you part of the picture and at best can be second hand information. There is a parlor game where a phrase or word is whispered in the ear of the person next to you who in turn passes it on to the next. In most cases the end result is almost always wrong and in some cases hilarious. This is the danger in relying on others for information and certainly not the way to build a strong Almas. Come to the meetings and stay informed and while at it, enjoy the fellowship and fun the Shrine has to offer.

Next month in December we will hold elections for the 2019 season. This is your opportunity to help shape the future of Almas. If elected, I will be appointing officers to fill the Appointed Divan and other positions. There are a number of opportunities for you to join the leadership team for next year. If you are interested in stepping into Almas leadership, Il-

lustrious Sir Fred Evans and Noble Jay Whitcomb are heading up the nomination committee and will be advising me on appointments. Please contact them or me via e-mail, phone or we can talk at the next meeting. A strong leadership team leads to a strong Almas.

November and December brings the year to a close with several activities yet to come. Read the articles from the Unit and Club Heads in the alibi and check out the calendar in the back for activities. Also, Almas Shriners is active on social media with a website ([almasshriners.org](http://almasshriners.org)) and a Facebook page (Almas Shriners). See you at the next business meeting.

Yours in the Faith,  
Frank Ireton  
Chief Rabban

## Bylaws of Imperial Council 1.11 Election Regulations

(a) Electioneering. A candidate for an elected office in a Shrine temple may print, publish and circulate during the year he is seeking the elected office, a resume consisting of his educational background, his vocational history and his Masonic and Shrine record. Except as provided in the prior sentence, the Printing, publication, circulating or distribution of resolutions, letters, telegrams, tickets, email or other devices by a unit, club, Noble or group of Nobles, suggesting, recommending, opposing or containing the names of proposed candidates for office in the temple is prohibited.

(b) Expenditures Prohibited. The expenditure of money for gifts, favors or entertainment on behalf of a candidate for elected office is prohibited.

(b.) Violation. For any violation of (a) or (b) the Imperial Potentate may suspend the offending Noble and he may declare the election of officers void and order a new election.

(c.) Notice. At least one week prior to the annual meeting or any election, the temple Recorder shall mail to each member a notice thereof containing this section.

# *Northwest-Bethesda Chevy Chase Shrine Club*

The Northwest-Bethesda Chevy Chase Shrine Club is open to everyone. The NW-BCC Shrine Club hold its meetings at the Knights of Columbus Hall off of Forest Glen Road. The address is: 5707 Rosensteel Ave, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

We have monthly dinner meetings at \$25.00 per person, which includes hor d'oeuvres, beverages, salad, a main course and dessert. What more can one ask.

Twice a year we hold our meetings at Old Europe Restaurant in Washington, DC. If you are interested in attending or need additional information, call the Secretary, Walter Simon at 301-318-2485. We meet on the fourth Wednesday of the month. In March we host our Bull and Oyster Roast. Which is a big event and open to everyone to attend. We also have a holiday party on the first Monday in December each year.

At our meetings, all our welcome, including significant others. We welcome all new members.

Fraternally,  
Walter Simon

## *Krazy Klown Korner*

We still need your help with parades. The Cherry Blossom parade will be the next big one in March of 2019. We may have other smaller ones like the China Town Parade. We need you to show your inner and outer selves and make kids and adults smile at parade. Most kids and adults love Klowns and love to have their pictures taken with Klowns.

Women and children also can take part in local and national parades. You can dress up in your long johns or any costume that will make you look funny and make the kids smile. We have a Klown fire engine and we use it in most of our parades. We are in the National Fourth of July parade and you might get your picture on the television.

You may not want to become a member of the Klown unit, but all we are asking for is several days of your time devoted to having fun and making people laugh. The funnier you look, the better time you will have with the crowds. If you wish to join the Klowns or take part in local and national parades. Call the Boss Klown, Walter Simon at 301-318-2485 and let him know your intentions.

Weird Wally  
Boss Klown







# Almas Shriners Super Bowl Party

Almas Temple  
1315 K Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20005

Sunday, February 3, 2019

Cost \$25.00 per person  
(Make checks payable to Almas Shriners)

Shrine Center will open at 4:30 PM  
Game time approx 6:30 PM

RSVP to [reservations@almasshriners.org](mailto:reservations@almasshriners.org)  
no later than January 31, 2019

Bring you family and friends



# ALMAS SHRINERS



**Jeffrey D. Holt**  
**Potentate**

**Donald R. Ferguson, Sr., P.P.**  
**Recorder**

## RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE INCREASE OF MEMEBERSHIP DUES – ALMAS SHRINERS

WHEREAS, the fraternal expenses of Almas Shriners in Washington DC exceed revenues by \$100 per member

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that membership dues shall be increased by \$100 per member. This increase will be phased in over two years, 2020 and 2021. Each year's dues increase shall be \$50.

SUCH THAT each member shall pay the following:

2019: \$65 Almas Dues

2020: \$115 Almas Dues

2021: \$165 Almas Dues

Each member is separately responsible for the payment of their Shriners International Per Capita Fee and Hospital Assessment based on the prevailing bylaws of Shriners International.

# *The Almas Yacht Club Presents the*

## *2018 White House Holiday Ornament*



This year's ornament is designed to illustrate three significant changes made by President Truman during his administration, one to the Presidential Seal and two to the White House itself. One side of the ornament features his celebrated Truman Balcony, added in 1947-48 to the South Portico and the other side features his renovated Blue Room, which was dismantled and rebuilt during the renovation of 1948-52.

The Presidential Seal featured at the top of the ornament reflects the design as changed by Truman. Originally the American eagle looked toward its left talons, which holds a cluster of spears, weapons of war. Truman, in the autumn after he took office, had the seal redesigned, turning the eagle's head away from the spears to its right talons, which holds the olive branches of peace.

**Contact Ill. Sir Fred at 301-460-1982 to order your ornaments**

**Cost is \$20.00**

Proceeds are for the benefit of Almas Yacht Club and not tax deductible



# *Daughters of the Nile*

Well, Ladies I am sorry that I missed last months Session, but I had to fly to Seattle to see that my oldest grandson was settled into his new apartment and his new job. Tony and I had a wonderful time. Seattle is a great city to visit and Philip managed to show us most of it. I don't think my husband likes us too much anymore as we had him walking up and down hills for three days.

The Session in October went very well according to Princess Royal, Josephine. You voted in 4 new members and hopeful we will have another ceremonial before the end of the year.

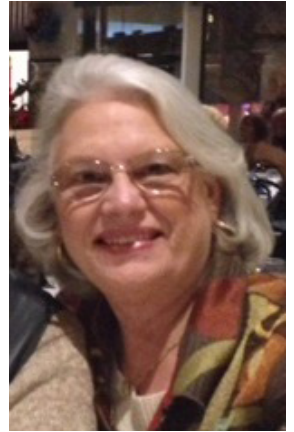
Princess Badoura, Sue has had her first event with the Quarter Auction and that went very well with a fun time had by everyone who attended.

Princess Tirzah, Adriana has sent us all a lovely cup of tea and I know that everyone sat down on the Saturday, October 14th for a few minutes and enjoyed the time to reflect on all the things we are thankful for including our friends in the Daughters of the Nile.

Our Chaplain Emeritus, Connie Connolly will be in attendance for our November Session to give us our Founders Day program so please join us for she does a fabulous job of giving us the history of the beginnings of the Daughters of the Nile.

In December Princess Badoura, Sue will be at it again and will be providing us with some more entertainment. Amelia Earhart will be joining us on Sunday afternoon December 16th at the Shrine Center. I have been told that we will be in for a wonderful performance and maybe we will learn what really happened to this famous lady. Gather up your friends and come join us as Amelia tells us her story.

With lots of Nile Love  
Jennifer Murray, PQ  
Queen



## *Save the date*



*December 16, 2018*

*Join Samla Temple No. 51  
Daughters of the Nile  
as we welcome*

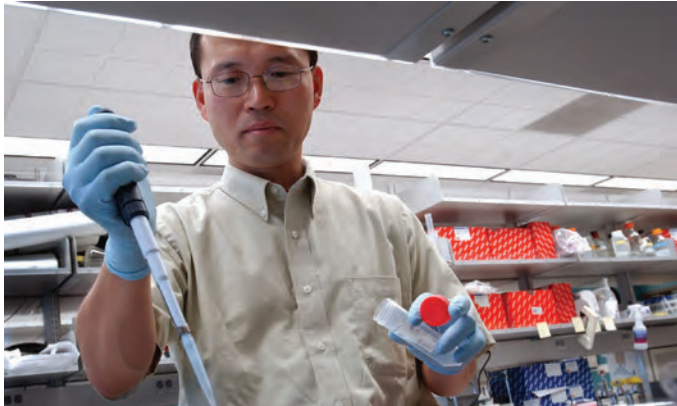
*Amelia Earhart*

*to Almas Shrine Center.*

*More details coming.*



# Gaining a Greater Understanding of Complex Orthopaedic Conditions



Our in-house research teams include renowned experts whose discoveries have changed treatment methodologies and improved the lives of countless children coping with debilitating conditions. Shriners Hospitals for Children® is committed to the pursuit of knowledge that improves medical care.

## Research with the Potential to Change Lives

Here are some examples of ongoing efforts related to orthopaedics at our official research centers:

- Researchers at Shriners Hospitals for Children — Canada have made many discoveries related to the treatment of osteogenesis imperfecta (OI), as well as its genetic cause. OI is a hereditary connective tissue disorder that is mainly characterized by bone fragility. Researchers at our Canada location have contributed to the understanding that, in the majority of patients, OI is caused by mutations in the two genes that encode collagen, the primary building block of bones. One aspect of current research focuses on the disease-causing mutation in OI type V.
- At Shriners Hospitals for Children — Northern California, Diana Farmer, M.D., is working hard to correct spina bifida and other fetal malformations before birth through the use of in-utero surgery and examining stem cell grafts in experimental models. In addition, Laura Borodinsky, Ph.D., recently obtained novel evidence that folate increases the ability of cells on the two sides of the spinal cord to fuse together to prevent spina bifida, which explains why adding folic acid to the maternal diet diminishes the frequency of spina bifida. Also, Michelle James, M.D., chief of orthopaedics, is developing new tests and procedures to enhance functional recovery

from hand malformations and injuries. If successful, Dr. James' studies will help children who have congenital thumb problems be better able to grip objects.

- The research team at Shriners Hospitals for Children — Philadelphia is dedicated to clinical and laboratory research that advances scientific knowledge around the prevention and treatment of mobility issues resulting from injury or disease affecting the brain. Under the leadership of Peter Crino, M.D., Ph.D., the Brain Development and Plasticity team is making strides in understanding the causes of cerebral palsy (CP) and developing therapies for its prevention and treatment. Laura Goetzl, M.D., is researching the maternal factors that cross the placenta and cause the fetus to develop CP. Once fully developed, these tests can be used to pinpoint the timing of in-utero brain injury that leads to CP, and potentially to monitor the effects of in-utero treatments to reduce brain injury. Tanya Ferguson, Ph.D., is also testing a drug that could be given to pregnant women who experience an episode that puts their baby at risk for CP. And, Sam Lee, Ph.D., is using advanced muscle-stimulating techniques combined with physical therapy to help children with CP improve their ability to use a tricycle for fun and aerobic conditioning.

## Committed to Our Mission of Improving Lives

These are just a few of the many studies being conducted at our research centers that will, hopefully, lead to improved lives and improved treatments for children coping with a wide range of orthopaedic conditions. We are proud of the work being done throughout the Shriners Hospitals for Children health care system to add to the worldwide body of medical knowledge and change lives.



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for Children®

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## The Importance of Positive Communication to Children with Disabilities

### The Power of Language

Our word choices have a tremendous impact on those around us. Children, especially, are deeply influenced by the language surrounding them – who they become is based on who they are learning to be. The staff of Shriners Hospitals for Children® understands the importance of building confidence and self-esteem in our patients at an early age. Our staff recognizes that while working with children with disabilities, it is imperative to help them develop a strong positive attitude so they will have the confidence to pursue their dreams. To accomplish this, being mindful of the effect language has on children is critical.

Two essential points in using communication as affirmation are accurate wording and people-first language. Always remember to use language that encourages, rather than discourages, the individual. When referring to those with a disability, please remember to **avoid labels with a negative connotation**, such as:

- crippled
- handicapped
- lame
- deformed

» **The preferred word choice is usually:**

- disability
- disabled
- the actual term involved, such as, cerebral palsy or muscular dystrophy

### People with Disabilities are People First

The second key element of communicating with people with disabilities is the need to use “people-first language,” where the person is the important element, rather than the disability.

For example, try using phrases such as “a person *with* cerebral palsy” or “a person *who uses* a prosthetic arm,” rather than defining them by the disability itself.

It is also important to recognize that people are individuals, and to **avoid lumping those with disabilities together into one group**, like “the disabled,” “the spinal cord injured,” or to refer to “all people with X.”

» Another important aspect of using people-first language is to **avoid negative descriptive phrases and terms**, such as:

- confined to a wheelchair
- wheelchair bound
- victim stricken with
- suffering

Instead, try saying a person “uses a wheelchair,” or “has cerebral palsy.”



*“We must take language very seriously. The feeling I have is that language is always a reflection of attitude. With the advancement of the disability movement, you see a change in language.” – Michael Masutha*

Also avoid **value-laden words and phrases**, whether negative or positive, because even seemingly positive labels such as “courageous” and “inspirational” can be burdensome to a child, setting unnecessary high expectations, that may be hard to maintain.

As part of using people-first language, it is also imperative to not define people by their disabilities. This is accomplished by **emphasizing abilities, not limitations**.

» For instance:

- Say: “Darlene is an excellent writer,” rather than, “Despite her disability, Darlene is an excellent writer.”
- Say, “Johnny is a child with a disability,” instead of the defining, “Johnny is a *disabled child*.”

Being mindful of preferred disability terminology and using people-first language whenever possible will help children with disabilities become more confident and able to become successful, productive adults.



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# *In Memoriam*

Almas Shriners Sick and Shut-in Nobles,  
Give them a call or send them a card.

(as of 9-26-2018)

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

Paul Adams  
549 Valley Mill Road, #201  
Winchester, VA 22602  
540-459-9337

Scott Miskovic  
Summit Place Assisted Living  
491 Highway 17, # 232  
Little River, SC 29566  
843-685-5554



**Shriners Hospitals**  
for Children™

## Thursday Night Dinner

November 1, 2018 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 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,  
October 31, 2018  
before 12 noon.**

Catering by  
**Catering Resources**

Looking forward to seeing  
everyone.



## Petition for Initiation and Membership in *Almas Shriners*

To the Potentate, Officers and Nobles of Almas Shriners, situated in the Oasis of Washington, Desert of the District of Columbia: I, the undersigned, hereby declare that I am a Master Mason in good standing in \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge # \_\_\_\_\_ Located in \_\_\_\_\_. Which is a lodge recognized by or in amity with the conference of Grand Masters of North America. Furthermore, I have resided at my current address for not less than six(6) months, as required by the By-Laws of Shriners International. I respectfully pray that I may be made a Noble of the Mystic Shrine and become a member of your Temple. If I am found worthy and my request granted, I promise to conform to the Articles of Incorporation and the By-Laws of Shriners International and the By-Laws and Ceremonies of your Temple.

Birthplace: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Were you ever a DeMolay? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, what was the Chapter Name and Location? \_\_\_\_\_

Profession or Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you previously applied for admission to any Temple of the Order? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, to what Temple? \_\_\_\_\_ When? \_\_\_\_\_

### Residence Address:

Street: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### Business Address:

Street: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Hat Size: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouses Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Initials are not sufficient)

### Recommended and vouched for on the honor of:

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# NOVEMBER 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 Business Mtg. & DON	2 Scottish Rite	3 Almas Ceremonial Fall Reunion
4 Daylight Saving Time ends	5	6 Scottish Rite	7	8	9	10 IALOH Wreath Laying
11 Veterans Day	12 Veterans Day Observed Temple Closed	13 Scottish Rite	14	15	16	17 MD & DC Grand Lodge Annual Communication
18	19	20 Scottish Rite	21 Motor Corp Mtg.	22 Thanksgiving Day Temple Closed	23 Thanksgiving Temple Closed	24
25	26 Board Meeting	27 Scottish Rite	28	29	30	

# DECEMBER 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Ladies/Spouse Holiday Party
2	3 Hanukkah Begins NW/BCC Shrine Club Holiday Party	4 Scottish Rite	5	6 Business Mtg. & Elections DON	7 Yacht Club Holiday Party	8
9	10 Hanukkah Ends	11 Scottish Rite	12	13	14	15 Temple Holiday Party & Childrens Holiday Party
16	17 Board Meeting	18	19 Motor Corp Mtg.	20	21	22
23 SE Shrine Club	24 Christmas Eve Temple Closed	25 Christmas Day Temple Closed	26	27	28	29
	31 New Years Eve					

# JANUARY 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 New Years Day Temple Closed	2	3 Annual Business Mtg. & DON	4	5
6 Open Installation	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 Scottish Rite	16 Motor Corp Mtg.	17	18	19
20	21	22 Scottish Rite	23	24	25	26 Almas Yacht Club Commodore Ball
27	28 Board Meeting	29	30	31		

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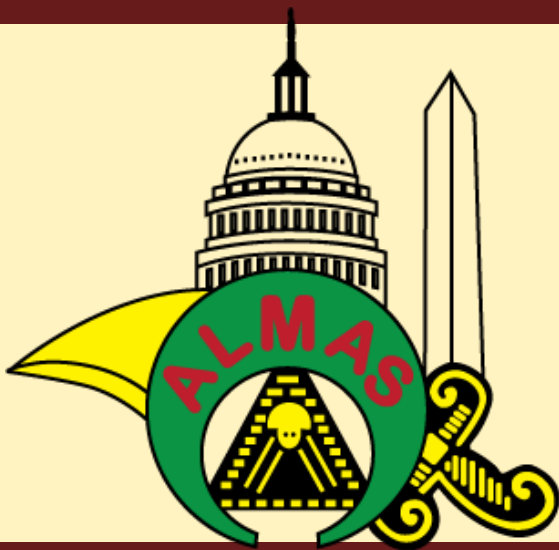
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