



ALMAS SHRINERS, WASHINGTON, DC

HAVING FUN AND HELPING KIDS

# The Almas Alabi

*May 2021*



## ***From the Potentate...***

Nobles:

I hope everyone is well and safe. Although we can not open yet, we seem to be making progress in that direction. Our Ill. Sir Don Ferguson has sent out information for our **May 6<sup>th</sup> Monthly Membership Meeting** to once again be held virtually. Hopefully we will be able to finally meet in person at our **June 3<sup>rd</sup> Monthly Membership Meeting**.

Additionally, please put **Monday, October 18<sup>th</sup>** on your calendar, and save the

date for our annual Almas Golf Tournament. More information to come in a couple months once we know where the Covid virus restrictions are heading. Also, please see the attached flier for our crab feast and picnic to be held on

**Saturday, June 19<sup>th</sup> from 1 PM until 6 PM.** The crab feast will be held at to Centennial Lodge Hall in Upper Marlboro, MD. Bring the whole family and friends, but you **MUST** register so we have enough food for those attending. Please call Almas Temple at 202-898-1688 (or email [reservation@almasshriners.org](mailto:reservation@almasshriners.org)), or our Chief Rabban, MWB Jesse Villarreal, at 703-282-6366. Jesse is the Divan lead for the picnic and I am sure he could use a number of Nobles to step forward to help both before, during, and after the affair.

I look seeing everyone at the picnic, if not before.

Yours in the Faith,

George Stoklas

**Potentate 2021**

## Upcoming Events

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### ***2021 Crab Feast!***

Saturday, June 19th from 1:00-6:00pm. Family and friends are welcome!



### ***2021 Shrine Golf Tournament***

Monday, October 18th. More details coming soon!

You **MUST RSVP** to the Almas office at (202) 898-1688 / [reservations@almasshriners.org](mailto:reservations@almasshriners.org), or



our Chief Rabban, MWB Jesse Villarreal by calling: (703) 282-6366. He could also use a few Nobles to help him the day of.

[Centennial Lodge Hall, Upper Marlboro, MD](#)



# Almas 2021 Directory

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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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