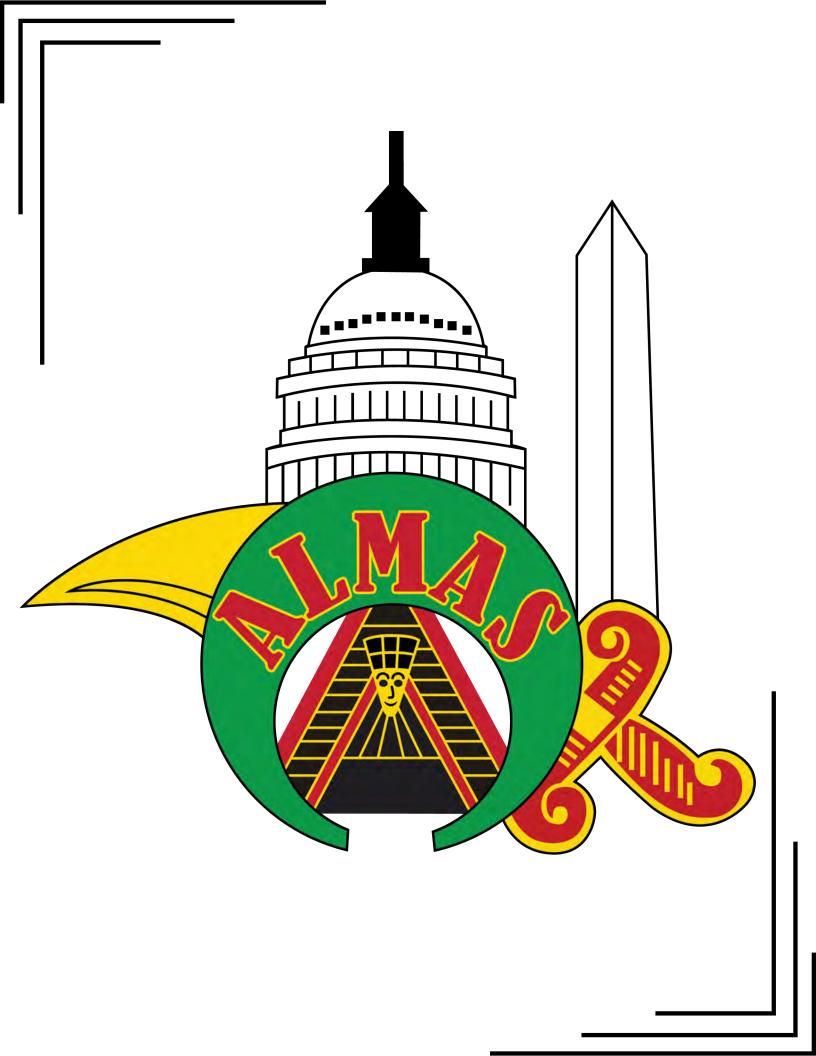
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May you always eat, drink, and live life to the fullest!



POTENTATE'S MESSAGE



Nobles,

First, I would like to commend our Colonel of the Units, Illustrious Sir Frank Ireton and all the nobles that participated in last month's Cherry Blossom Parade for a job well done. This was a great opportunity to showcase our temple and Shriners Children Hospital not only to the local community but also to the out of town visitors that day. Thank you for taking the time to make this event a success.

The month of May brings us three important events - Past Potentates & 50-year member luncheon on the 13th, Mothers' Day on the 14th, and Memorial Day on the 29th.

The Past Potentates Luncheon on May 13th is dedicated to all our Past Potentates - without their leadership and selfless contributions, Almas Shrine Temple would not be what it is today. We will also be presenting the Shrine 50-year Pin to deserving noble/s. This pin is a great way to represent a noble's dedication as a Shriner.

It is my hope that you will take the time to join me at this event so we can thank each of our Past Potentates for their hard work and support, which in turn has allowed us to sustain our temple and help many children throughout the years. Many Thanks to all our Leaders.

Mothers' Day falls on Sunday, May 14th and I must say Happy Mothers' Day to all our Almas ladies who are mothers. You all deserve much more than a day per year, but it is good to take this opportunity to recognize the incredible responsibility and achievement that comes with this invaluable (and I am sure at times exhausting) role. I truly hope all your children treasure everything that you have done for them.

If you are like me, you have a special place in your brain for all the indelible lessons your mother instilled in you over decades. Admittedly, some of them are just great advice while others resulted from my wandering beyond the guardrails. My parents had an expression for me and my siblings that we were "on a long leash but with a tight grip". She fostered our independence and individuality, but always built on a solid foundation of kindness, respect and good decision making.

Turning to Memorial Day on May 29th, I often step back and think how amazingly fortunate we are to live in a country with such ingrained freedom and liberty. As we all know, but need to constantly remember, this only exists as a result of all those who have protected these principles over the last nearly 250 years, many losing their lives on our behalf. It is those whom we honor on Memorial Day each year. From the brave souls who originally fought for our independence to the most recent individuals around the globe who have laid their lives on the line to defend our beliefs and way of life, We and our future generations are all eternally indebted.

Though it acts as the "official" start of summer, we must remember to remember the real meaning of Memorial Day, all those who have enabled us to live every day as free individuals enjoying "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness".

Yours in the faith.

Cayante agra IV

Potentate

PAST EVENT PICTURES

Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Italy

While attending the Annual Grand Communication of the Grand Lodge of Italy with MW Annas Kamara in Rimini, Italy, I had the opportunity to meet Noble Maurizio Mancuso, President, Emirate Shrine Club, Rome. It was also great of the nobles from Naples and Naval Air Station Sigonella Italy to approach me when they learned I was the Potentate of Almas Shriners











PAST EVENT PICTURES

Mid Atlantic Shrine Association





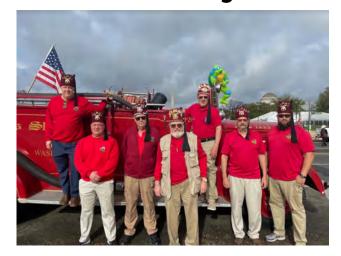






PAST EVENT PICTURES

Cherry Blossom Parade Pictures











MONTHLY MUSINGS

Tales from the Almas Crupt

As told by Frank Ireton, Past Potentate



This month's tale returns to the July/August 1961 issue of Almas Life. This issue is of interest to the nobility because it is published in celebration of Almas Temple's 75th anniversary. While the issue devotes a fair amount of time to the Diamond Jubilee and June 10TH ceremonial it includes reports and articles from the Clubs and Uniformed Units.

First report is from Almas Alleys. At the summer league's premier meet the league fielded six teams with enough extra bowlers for an additional two teams. Unfortunately, only six lanes were available to the League. The named teams were: Left-Outs,

Woodchucks, Lovers, Y.C.M.J.D.B., Theonettes, and Would-be-Lovers, Extra bowlers became the "Disappointees". If enough bowlers showed interest a second league could be formed.

During the regular season the league that year the league fielded 12 teams. Teams bowled on Monday and Wednesday nights. A tournament was held on the last week with the winner being team George C. Shaffer followed by the Divan, Patrol, Camels, and Sphinx teams. The season ended with trophies presented at the annual banquet held jointly with the Ladies League. For the regular season the Friday night meets are open for a mixed league.

Almas Yacht Club provided an extensive report on activities including participation in the Imperial parade with a 21-foot boat on a trailer. In July seven yachts rendezvoused of the West River for a cruise to Vera's White Sands on the Patuxent River. Along the way south the picked up several other AYC yachts and members of other Bay Yacht Clubs. One boat worthy of mention is "Wee Willie III" a new at the time 40 -foot Flying Bridge cruiser owned by West River Yacht Club's Fleet Captain Winston W. and Mrs. Marsh*. The Potentate and Commodore of the Lord Calvert Yacht Club arrived in his new 35-foot Owens Cruiser.

Other articles from the Uniformed units detail past, current, and future activities. This includes the Greeters, Drum and Bugle, Corps, Patrol, Oriental Band, Chanters, and Legion of Honor. These will be covered as time allows in future Tales from the Almas Cupt.

Editorial note: Mrs. Marsh, Winston Marsh's wife is not named in the article. References

Almas Life, July/August, 1961. Authors of the articles are not credited.

FAMOUS FEZES

THE LASTING LEGACY OF ENTREPRENEUR, PHILANTHROPIST, AND FREEMASON, DAVE THOMAS

"I think the harder you work, the more luck you have."

This phrase depicts the essence of Dave Thomas, the founder of Wendy's fast food restaurant, and sheds light on his difficult past and the hard work that molded his story into one of fame and success.

Also a Freemason and active philanthropist, Dave's original mission of generosity to bring "a good hamburger" to Columbus, Ohio turned into another type of generous mission altogether: promoting the adoption of foster children. His legacy is one of drive and determination, creating groundbreaking initiatives in the food industry as well as the lives of foster children in the United States. Here is Brother Dave Thomas's story of beating the odds.

Source and read more:



The Lasting Legacy of Dave Thomas

Learn about the life of Dave Thomas, founder of Wendy's, philanthropist, and...

Freemasonry Mar 26, 2019

UPCOMING EVENTS

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May 6, 12:30 PM - Yacht Club Shakedown Cruise - See flyer below RSVP due by May 4th

May 13, 2023, 12 Noon - Past Potentates' Luncheon and Members with 50 Years Membership. See flyer below for more information.

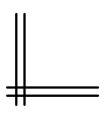
July 4, 2023 - Independence Day Parade - National Mall - More details to follow.

July 2023 - Crab Fest - More details to follow.









UPCOMING EVENTS



Ahoy Shipmates

Almas Nobility

Join us for the 2023 Shakedown Cruise

May 6th, Dockside Café, Deale Maryland

Social 1230h Lunch 1300h

Dockside Restaurant and Sports Bar 421 Deale Road Tracys Landing, MD 20779



Please confirm your attendance by May 4th with ASYC Secretary Fred Evans, PC. fwevans@verizon.net



UPCOMING EVENTS



CLUB NEWS



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The Almas Yacht Club did not hold a business meeting in April however the club did participate in the National Cherry Blossom Festival Parade held in Washington, D.C. on April 15th. The club was well represented with seven of our members attending. AYC Nobles and their family members walked the parade route while others rode scooters, drove min-lizzys or rode on the fire engine. It was a great family event.

The AYC will once again be represented in the Olney Days Parade on Sunday, May 1st.

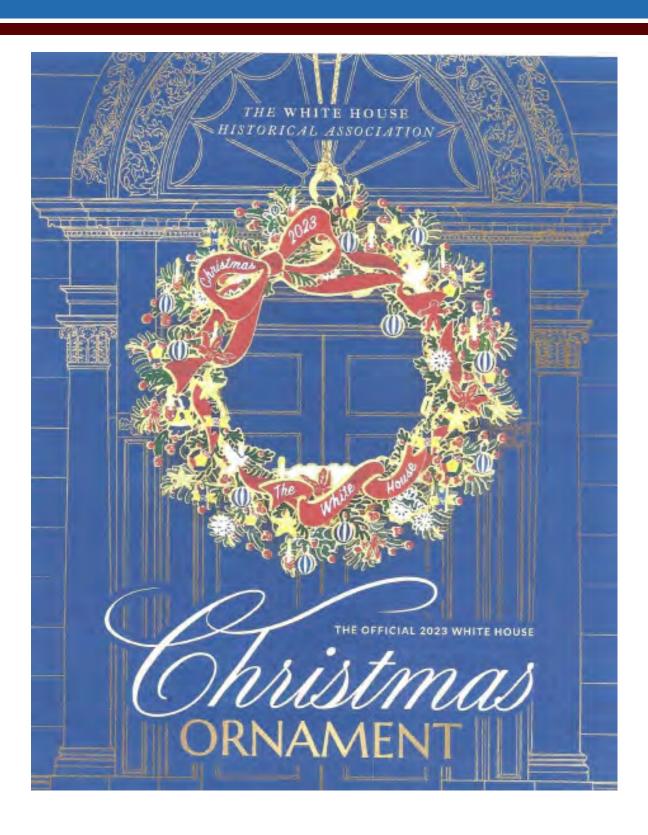
By the time you read this Spring MASA will be in the history books. Several AYC members and their ladies attended.

Don't miss our annual "Shakedown Cruise" on 6 May, 2023 at the Dockside Restaurant located at Tracy's Landing, MD. We have made arrangements for individual checks for this event and you will be able to order from the complete menu. Please see the event flyer in this edition of the Alibi for details.

The Yacht Club has more events planned for this year. Be on the lookout for announcements of upcoming events via WebFez and the Almas Website.

May you enjoy fair winds and a following sea.

CLUB NEWS



FEZ FOODIES

DARK CHOCOLATE-BOURBON PECAN PIE

INGREDIENTS

- 1 Basic Pie Crust
- 2 large eggs, at room temperature
- 1/2 c. butter, browned and cooled slightly
- 1/4 c. granulated sugar
- 1 c. dark brown sugar
- 1 tbsp. all-purpose flour
- 1 tbsp. whole milk
- 1 tbsp. bourbon
- 1 tsp. pure vanilla extract
- 2 c. pecans, chopped
- 4 oz. dark chocolate, chopped

DIRECTIONS TO MAKE DOUGH IN A STAND MIXER

- 1. Preheat oven to 375°. On a lightly floured surface, roll out dough into a 12" circle. Drape over pie dish and gently press to fit, making sure there are no air bubbles. Trim edge to 1" and tuck overhang under itself and crimp edges. Bake until lightly golden and only parbaked, 15 minutes.
- 2. Increase oven temperature to 400°. In a large bowl, beat eggs until slightly foamy, then stir in browned butter, white sugar, and brown sugar. Whisk together until fully combined, then stir in flour, milk, bourbon, and vanilla. Add pecans and chocolate chunks and stir until fully combined. Pour mixture into par-baked pie crust.
- 3. Bake 10 minutes, then lower oven to 325° and bake until top no longer jiggles in center, 40 to 50 minutes more.
- 4. Let cool completely before slicing and serving

https://www.delish.com/holiday-recipes/thanksgiving/recipes/a44665/dark-chocolate-bourbon-pecan-pie-recipe/

FEZ FOODIES

SAUTÉED SWEET PLANTAINS (TAJADITAS DULCES DE PLATANO)

INGREDIENTS

- ¼ cup peanut oil for frying
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 3 yellow plantains (very ripe), peeled and cut in 1-inch-thick slices
- 3 tablespoons brown sugar
- ¼ teaspoon salt (Optional)



INSTRUCTIONS

Round up all your ingredients, and heat peanut oil and butter in a large skillet over mediumhigh heat until butter begins to sizzle.

Gently toss plantain slices with brown sugar, then place into hot oil. Fry until plantains begin to turn golden brown, then turn over, and continue frying until caramelized, about 2 minutes per side.

Drain plantains on a paper towel-lined plate and sprinkle with salt before serving.

Source: https://www.allrecipes.com/recipe/146246/sauteed-sweet-plantains-tajaditas-dulces-de-platano/

FEZ FOODIES

GRILLED CORN ON THE COB

INGREDIENTS

- corn on the cob
- mayonnaise
- cotija cheese



INSTRUCTIONS

Grill the corn to give it a nice char and smokey flavor.

Then slather in mayonnaise and cotija cheese, so they're bound to please any way you make them.

Source: https://www.brit.co/food/recipes/cinco-de-mayo-recipes/

FEZ FIZZIES

SPICY WATERMELON MARGARITA

INGREDIENTS

- 2 cups seedless watermelon cubes
- 1 lime wedge
- 1 pinch kosher salt
- ice cubes
- 1½ fluid ounces silver tequila
- ¾ fluid ounce orange-flavored liqueur (such as Cointreau®)
- ¾ fluid ounce lime juice
- 1 thin slice jalapeno slice, plus more for garnish
- 1 watermelon wedge



INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Puree watermelon in a blender. Wipe the rim of a margarita glass with a lime wedge; dip rim in salt.
- 2. In a cocktail shaker half-filled with ice, add tequila, orange liqueur, lime juice, jalapeño, and 2 ounces of the watermelon puree. Shake until very cold.
- 3. Strain into prepared glass. Garnish with watermelon wedge and jalapeño slice.

TIPS:

Instead of salt, you can also use coarse white decorating sugar for rimming.

Reserve remaining puree for up to 4 more cocktails.

Source: https://www.allrecipes.com/recipe/264845/spicy-watermelon-margarita/

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MEMBERSHIP

Almas Legion of Honor

The Almas Shrine Legion of Honor held our regular meeting on October 6 th at Almas Shrine. This was our first meeting since the MASA Fall Session and was our election for the officers that with serve for the next two years 2023/2024. The following nobles where elected; Noble John Freemom, Commander, Noble Harold Sebastian, Lt. Commander, Ill. Sir Tony Murray, PP/PIC, Adjutant, Noble Robin Bodie, Finance Officer.

The purpose of the Legion of Honor it to perpetuate the memory of those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the service of their country. We cultivate a spirit of comradeship among the members and foster Patriotism and a Love of Country.

If you are Shriner in good standing of a Shrine Center of this Order who is a member or former member of the Armed Forces of the United States of America, or her Allies, and have received an Honorable Discharge from your last service or can produce evidence of such honorable service, come join the unit.

The Almas Legion of Honor meets Six (6) times a year, following the Business Meeting of Almas Shrine on the first Thursday of the month. (January, March, May, August, October, and December).

Almas Legion is a member of the Mid-Atlantic Shrine Association Legions of Honor and the International Association Legions of Honor. MASA LOH has it's annual meeting in spring and is set by the MASA LOH Commander. The IALOH holds their annual meeting in the spring and is set by the International Commander. The IALOH also conducts an annual Wreath Laying at the Tomb of the Unknown, in Arlington, VA the first weekend of November each year. This has been done for over Forty (40) years. For more information about the IALOH visit the Web at IALOH.org.

It is and Honor to be a member of the Legion of Honor. For information about the Almas Legion Contact the Commander or Adjutant.

Anthony S. "Tony" Murray, PP/PIC Adjutant, Almas Legion of Honor

MEMBERSHIP

NEW MEMBERSHIP APP

For dues year 2023, to acknowledge the receipt of the dues (membership) payment, Nobles will receive one communication, a 6x9 personalized postcard. The post card informs Nobles of the following:

- How to download the My FezCard Viewer app to see their newly designed digital membership car.
- How the temple will identify the status of their membership (dues) status, through the My FezCard Viewer and/or scanning of the QR Code on either the digital card or the gold-colored hard membership card.
- The discontinuation of the sticker mailers from Shriners International direct to members.

How to Download and Use My FezCard Viewer

Download My FezCard Viewer - iPhone

- 1. Open the App Store on your phone.
- 2. Search for "My FezCard Viewer" and click on the icon.
- 3. Click the "Install" button to install My FezCard Viewer.

Using My FezCard Viewer

 Open My FezCard Viewer. Enter your Shrine ID and Last Name. Type your Temple Name and click on it to highlight it as below. Click the "REGISTER" button at the bottom. You will only need to register the first time you open the app.



At the bottom of the screen, you will have two options: Shrine Card and QR Code. The screenshot below shows the Shrine Card option.



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MEMBERSHIP

WALL OF HONOR

During your next visit to Almas Temple, take some time to look at the Wall of Honor located in the area outside the lounge between the two showcases. This project originated in 2016 with the purpose of commemorating a Shriner who was in some way special to you. A relative who made you aware of the Shriners organization and its philanthropy, someone who was a mentor, special friend or someone who made a worthy contribution to a Shrine program. This person does not need to be a member of Almas; they could be a member of any Shrine Temple. Some of those that have been honored may not be known to many of our current members, but they were an inspiration to someone.

Unfortunately, additions to the Wall have not been made for some time. Consider honoring someone in your past who has assisted you along your way as a Shriner or who you think has been an inspiration to you by placing a plaque in their name.

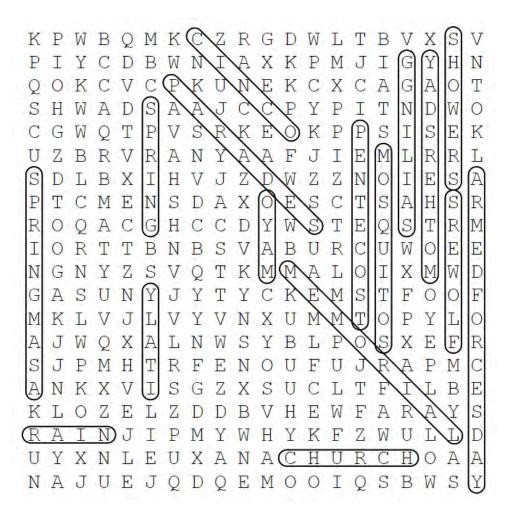
The cost of a plaque is \$100. For details on ordering a plaque, please contact III. Fred Evans. PP.





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Call our Brother , they are eager to hear from you. If you know of a Noble in this condition, please let us know at: 202.898.1688



Scott Miskovic

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Petition for Initiation and Membership

Almas Shriners

| To the Potentate, Officers and No | | | | | |
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| of the District of Columbia: I, the | I odge # I | oceted in | Master Mason in good Which | | |
| standing in is a lodge recognized by or in | amity with the confer | rence of Grand Maste | ers of North America | | |
| Furthermore, I have resided at m | v current address for no | t less than six (6) mon | ths, as required by the | | |
| By-Laws of Shriners Internationa | | | | | |
| and become a member of your T | | | | | |
| conform to the Articles of Incorp | oration and the By-Law | vs of Shriners Internati | ional and the By-Laws | | |
| and Ceremonies of your Temple. | | | | | |
| Birthplace: | 1 | Date of Birth: | | | |
| Were you ever a DeMolay? | If so, what was the C | Chapter Name and Loc | ation? | | |
| and the same of th | - Series Adeire a reported. | 1 | - | | |
| Profession or Occupation: | | | | | |
| Have you previously applied for | admission to any Templ | le of the Order? | | | |
| If so, to what Temple? | | When? | | | |
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| Home Phone: | | | Mobile Phone: | | |
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| Business Phone: | E-mail Address: | | | | |
| Hat Size: Sp | ouses Name: | | | | |
| Signature: | | Date: | | | |
| Print Full Name: | | | | | |
| (Initials are not sufficient) | | | | | |
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