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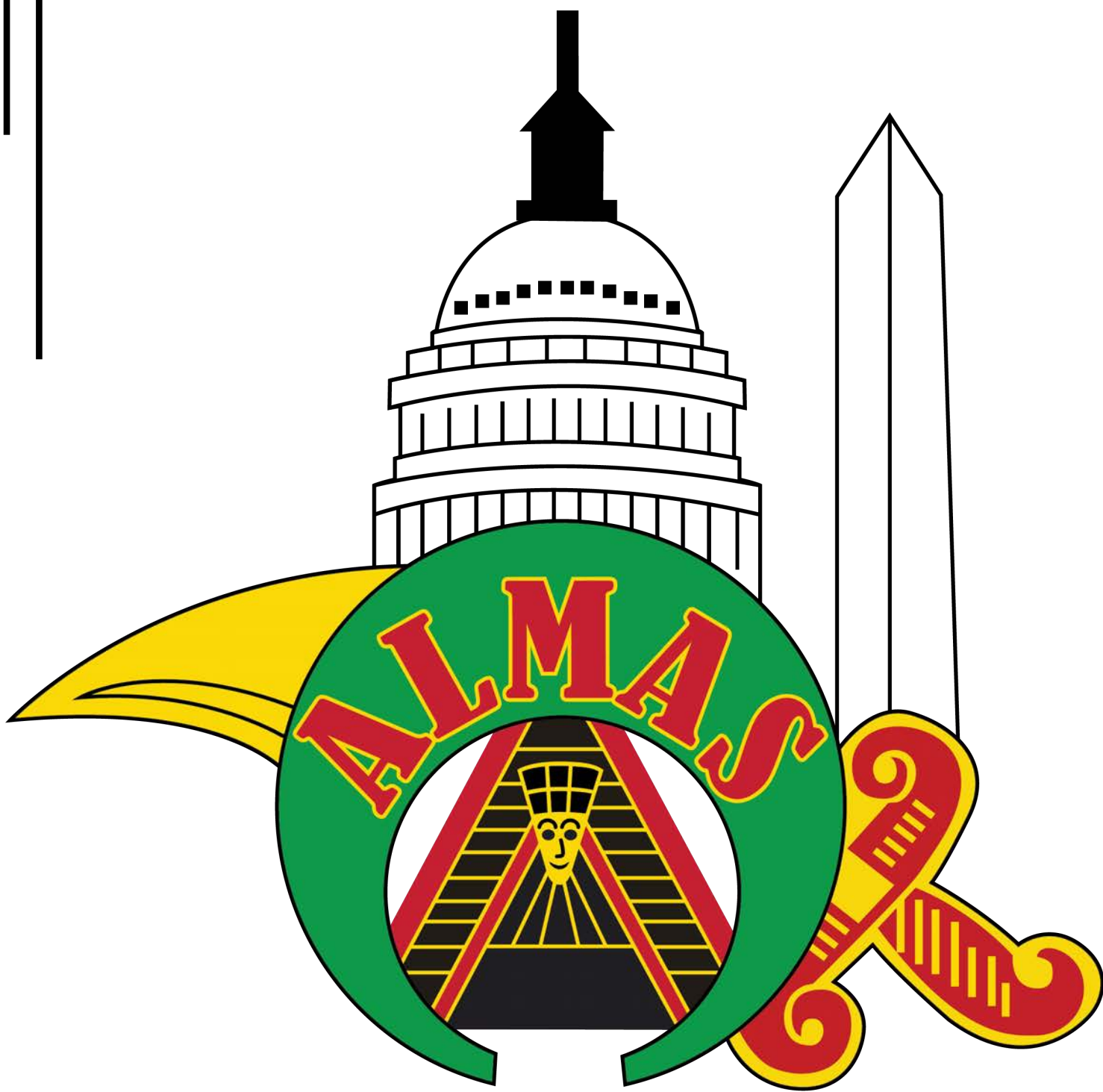
ALMAS ALIBI

Almas Temple

A.A.O.N.M.S.

Washington, D. C.

OCTOBER-NOVEMBER 1943



POTENTATE'S MESSAGE



Nobles,

Happy Fall to all. I hope everyone is enjoying the cooler temperatures as well as the full spectrum of Fall sports. I know that the Philadelphia and Washington fans are pleased with the first few games of the NFL season. Exciting Times!

Though I know time moves at a constant pace, it sure does feel like it is accelerating. The last quarter of the year seems to move particularly quickly with the many Shrine events such as the 2023 Imperial Session and Independence Day in July, Potentates Ball in August, and Fall MASA in September. I am very appreciative to all the nobles and ladies that attended, participated, and helped in these major Shrine events.

Please join me in congratulating the following Almas nobles for having been elected by the Scottish Rite Supreme Council to receive honors in 2023. MW & Noble Annas Kamara, RW & Noble Jean Paul Dongmo and RW & Noble Miguel Banagan received the 33°, Inspector General Honorary Elects. Illustrious Sir Michael Gordon and Noble Edison Duncan received the 32° Knight Commander of the Court of Honour, Elects.

Once again, I am reminding all nobles that membership is everyone's responsibility not only in the recruitment of potential fine nobles but also in membership retention. Your Divan has been working hard in putting together projects/ family events this year and I asked that you get involved by helping and participating in these events. This is our temple and let's make it the "Go To" place to get to know each other better and to have fun while helping the children.

Speaking of events, our annual Children's Halloween Party is on October 28, 2023, and annual Christmas Party is on Saturday, December 16, 2023. Let's all plan to attend and enjoy these two gatherings with our families and make the most of being together.

This year, we have managed to get our temple back on track and it is my hope that we can continue to do better moving forward with your help. Please reach out to your Divan and share any of your ideas, events, and projects that can be part of our temple's program each year. This includes articles for our monthly Alibi.

Yours in the Faith,

Potentate

PAST EVENT PICTURES

2023 DC SCOTTISH RITE HONOURMEN



RW & Noble Jean Paul Dongmo
received the 33° IGH



RW & Noble Miguel Banagan
received the 33° IGH



MW & Noble Annas Kamara
received the 33° IGH



Bro. & Noble Edison Duncan
received the 32° KCCH



Illustrious Sir Michael Gordon
received the 32° KCCH

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2023 FALL MASA PARADE, VA BEACH



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Our Patient Ambassador, “Maverick” Touring the Squadrons at Oceana Naval Base, VA Beach



MONTHLY MUSINGS

Kallipolis Grotto Washington, D.C.

The Mystic Order of Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm, whose subordinate bodies are the Grottos, is an organization by and for Master Masons. Although it is not a part of Symbolic Craft Masonry, its membership is restricted to Master Masons in good standing. The Grotto is an organization for good wholesome fun and frolic. Its slogan is SYMPATHY AND GOOD FELLOWSHIP. It is associated with a spirit of wholesome fun and teaches its members a spirit of optimism, a kindly feeling for his brother man, and the impression of good fellowship.

Anyone becoming a member of the Grotto has his Masonic origin in a Blue Lodge where he experienced the knowledge of dignity through the teachings of the three degrees. The Grotto is a place which provides a place where he can join his brothers in letting his instincts for fun, pleasure and amusement happen. The Grotto is not a place for exercising practices that would not be tolerated in any Masonic body. It stands for wholesomeness in life, for letting in the sunshine to combat discouragement and grief, and substitute hope for despair.

The Grotto has always been made up of men whom you are glad to know, men who travel on the sunny side of the street, and who always play fair. The Grotto is the playground for Master Masons who, when playtime is over, go back to business as Masons and maintain a "Good Report" among our fellow man.

The Grotto adopted dentistry for handicapped children. This service supports both preventative and emergency care. It is provided free of charge to any child 18 years of age and under.

Anyone interested in membership or more information should contact Ill. Sir Don Ferguson, Ill.

Sir Fred Evans, or Melvin Harrison,

MONTHLY MUSINGS

Colonel of the Units Report Frank Ireton, PP

As we approach the end of the year here is a recap of Almas parades for 2023 and parade guidelines as laid out by Shriners International. Parades are an important part of the Shrine culture and General Order Number One, issued by Imperial, lays out detailed regulations for Shrine Centers participating in parades. Although not required by Imperial or Almas, anyone one participating in or operating vehicles are encouraged to obtain an umbrella liability insurance policy. These policies are relatively inexpensive and available through your home owners insurance. In the event of an accident, you can personally be held libel for damages or injuries. Almas insurance does not cover you for this.

Two types of parades, Shrine and Non-Shrine or civic parades are identified and regulated by Imperial. The regulations are similar but with a few important differences. Non-Shriners such as family members can participate in civic parades and must follow the guidelines set down for Shrine members. Only Shriners can participate in a Shrine parade. In either case, only Shriners can operate modified vehicles or vehicles with less than four wheels. Shriners in parades must be identified as Shriners and wear a Fez. Emergency lights or sirens may not be engaged, candy or other objects cannot be thrown from a vehicle, vehicles must be operated in a safe manner, and conform to local regulations.



Unfortunately, Mother Nature was not welcoming this year for our first two parades. First, weather forecasts leading up to the Chinese New Year parade were not favorable, calling for rain or snow. After much discussion, it was decided to not risk taking the vehicles out. The second parade, the Olney Days parade, was canceled by the organizers due to possibility of heavy rain or Thunderstorms. The National Cherry Blossom parade and the Independence Day Parade in DC were our two summer parades. The parades are televised and are coordinated by Under the Sun Productions. These are invitational parades and, while Imperial guidelines apply as Civic parades, Under the Sun has guidelines as well. They require a signed release of liability form from all participants be submitted in hard copy via USPS. Forms are collected by the Colonel of the Units and mailed to meet the deadline as e-mail or late submissions are not accepted.

The final parade this year was the MASA Parade in Virginia Beach. Virginia Beach is a Shrine parade so Shrine parade rules apply. This year Almas participation consisted of the Almas Yacht Club float, four mini-cars, and a lone scooter—thank you Illustrious Sir Don Holliday for being brave enough to ride the scooter—and Almas Mini-motors. The Almas color guard was organized by High Priest and Prophet Dominador Carreon with help from Illustrious Sir Tony Murray. Divan members Assistant Rabban Geoffrey Newman and Oriental Guide

MONTHLY MUSINGS

Chuck Carmichael carried the Almas banner. Illustrious Sir Carpenter Arpa piloted the Potentate's mini-cruiser, perhaps a little slower than the aircraft he is used to piloting.

Parades are fun to participate in and one way we can get the message out about our hospital system. Parades do not happen in a vacuum. There is a lot of preparation and coordination that goes on behind the scenes preparing. Check with the parade team if you are interested in helping in these important behind the scene preparations. A big shout-out to pre-parade workers Nobles Bill Hinton III, Bill Hinton, Chuck Russel, Chuck Carmichael and Illustrious Sir Alan Gordon for the work at the warehouse in preparing the trailers, scooters, and cars for the parade. Also, to the Nobles on parade day who helped decorate the Yacht Club Float and Pickup. It was great to see participation in the MASA parade by the Mini-motors and the driving demonstrations they put on during the parade. I understand that once again this year the Mini-motors took trophies during the competitions on Friday. Congratulations to the Mini-motor Unit.

This year at MASA a new mini-car joined the growing fleet of mini-Tin Lizzies and parade cars. The cars and the four scooters already in the fleet will



available for members to operate at parades. These vehicles can only be driven by Shriners in parades per Imperial guidelines. The vehicles will eventually become part of a proposed new Almas club, The Misfits, so named due to the variety of vehicles. Our goal will be to train members in safe vehicle operation, and maintenance, Club members will be responsible in preparing vehicles for parades. If you are interested in joining the

Misfits club and driving in a parade, watch for details in forthcoming *Alibis*.

In closing I want to add a personal thank you to all Almas Shriners and family member who participated and made the Almas parades successful this year. Join us next year for fun and support our efforts to bring awareness to the Shriners Hospitals for Children.

FAMOUS FEZ

Tales from the Almas Crypt

As told by Frank Ireton, Past Potentate

This month's Alibi cover, from the dusty Almas archives, is the October/ September 1943 issue of the Alibi. In October of 1943 the United States was involved in a world war on two fronts, Eastern and Western. While the invasion of Continental Europe was still eight months in the future, our forces were doing battle in the South Pacific on remote islands with names unknown to most US citizens. Names like Iwo Jima, Bougainville, Guadalcanal, and Efate. The 1943 issue is interesting to read to get a glimpse of Almas and the Shrine during the war years.

The Potentate's message primarily deals with the business of the temple, the preceding year's Imperial Session held in Washington, DC, the search for a 200-candidate ceremonial, and securing funding to refinance the building. He closes by saying: "it appears our armies are pushing to ultimate victory" and welcomes Nobles home on furlough. The Imperial Potentate's message focuses on efforts by Temples to keep activities going with wartime restrictions. He quotes a Noble who wrote: "Keep the sands warm until we get home again." It doesn't say where the Noble was stationed but he remarks about seeing: "many a fez on dour faces of the natives." He closes by urging the buying of an extra (war) bond: "to make it hot for the Shickelgruber and Hirohito." A brief article mentions two Nobles, one KIA and one presumed to have been taken as a POW in the Philippines and being held as a captive in China. Two of the three columns on another page lists 175 Almas Nobles serving—in addition to earlier lists.

All in all, most of the issue deals with the normal activities of Almas with unit and club reports on activities and upcoming events. The specter of war is present throughout the issue. A short article mentions the Scottish Rite Biennial Session being limited due to travel restrictions and rationing. Another article relates the story of a US Marine aboard a ship in the South Pacific struck by a 20 mm antiaircraft shell below his left breast that lodged near his left hip. The shell was removed by two surgeons working behind a steel plate. An article reports on the launch of a sub-chaser from a shipyard located on the Willamette River in Oregon. The christening was organized by the shipyard manager, Noble Al Bauer. A theme of Freedom for All was chosen in part for the war effort and in part to honor Shrine Hospitals efforts to give all children freedom from childhood afflictions. An issue mentioned several times was securing funding to refinance the building's \$90,000 mortgage at a lower rate to save \$2,000 a year in interest. The property was assessed at \$170,400 and valued at \$200,000

I chose this issue's cover for personal reasons as October 1943 is my birth year—yes, I am that old. In October of 1943 my father—



on the right in the photo with his cousin—arrived at Henderson Field on Guadalcanal as part of the US Marines Airwing's VMSB-235. In civilian parlance that is Fixed Wing (V), Marine (M), Scout Bomber (SB) squadron number 235. VMSB- 235 flew the Dauntless SBD-5, a multi-purpose artillery observation spotter, bomber, and strafing aircraft. On October 10th they were relocated to Efate, New Hebrides and eight days later, on the other side of the world, my mother gave birth to a bouncing baby boy. One year later to the date the troop ship carrying my father sailed under the Golden Gate.



UPCOMING EVENTS

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October 14, 2023 - Almas Yacht Club: *Frostbite Cruise* 12:30 PM Social Hour, 1:30 PM Lunch at Dockside Cafe
(see flyer below)

October 26, 2023 - Almas Yacht Club: *Meeting* 6 PM Social Hour, 7 PM Dinner at
(see flyer below)

October 28, 2023 - Almas Children's Halloween Party 12 - 4 PM at Almas Shrine
(see flyer below)

November 4, 2023 - Annual Bull and Oyster Roast 2 - 6 PM at Centennial Lodge
(see flyer below)

December 16, 2023 - Christmas Party - SAVE THE DATE (more info to follow)



UPCOMING EVENTS



ALMAS NOBLES & FAMILY

YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR ANNUAL

KIDS

Halloween

PARTY



OCTOBER 28 **12 - 4 PM**

1315 K St NW
Washington, DC. 20005

RSVP by October 23rd to
dferguson@almasshriners.org
or call the Temple Office at 202-898-1688

**COSTUME CONTEST, GAMES, PRIZES,
FACE PAINTING & TREATS**



COSTUMES ENCOURAGED

UPCOMING EVENTS



Annual Bull & Oyster Roast

Saturday November 4th, 2023

Roast Beef, Fried Oysters, & Oyster Stew

Side Dishes and Trimmings

Coffee, Tea, & Lemonade

Doors open at 2:00 pm Food served 3:00 - 6:00

Carryout available

Tickets \$35 each

Gun Raffle ticket holders - \$5 discount per raffle ticket, advance sales only



50/50 tickets and Silent Auction will take place at this event as well



Winning tickets for the
2nd Annual Gun & Cash Raffle
will be drawn starting at 3:30
And continue until all prizes are drawn

Centennial Lodge #174

6110 Croom Station Road
Upper Marlboro, MD 20772

For more information contact:

Jack Collins - jackannc@comcast.net 301-627-8633

John Kaiser, Secretary - jkpk7784@gmail.com 301-502-4339

CLUB NEWS



ALMAS YACHT CLUB

Ahoy Shipmates

And

Almas Nobility

Join us for the 2023 Frostbite Cruise

October 14, Dockside Café, Deale Maryland

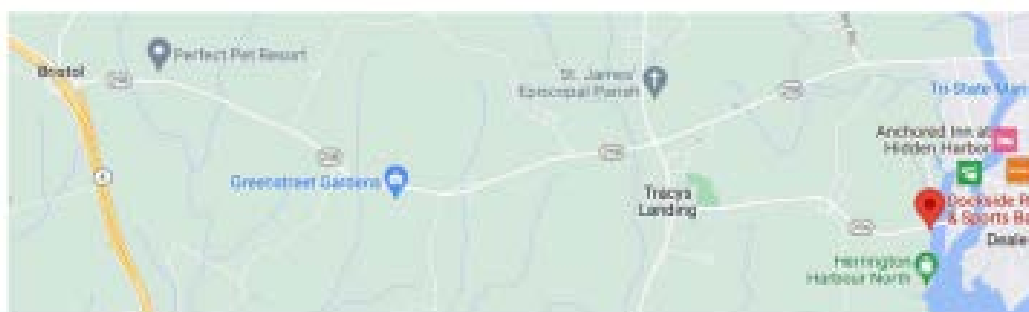
Social 1230h Lunch 1300h

Individuals order/pay from the menu.

Dockside Restaurant and Sports Bar

421 Deale Road

Tracys Landing, MD 20779



Please confirm your attendance by October 10th with

AYC Secretary Fred Evans, PC.

fwevans@verizon.net



Almas Yacht Club

Chuck Carmichael, Commodore, 2023

CLUB NEWS

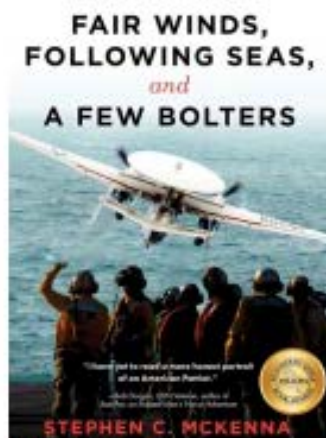


ALMAS YACHT CLUB

October 26th 2023 Meeting

Social Hour at 1800h followed by dinner at 1900 h.

At the October meeting of the Almas Yacht Club we will welcome Mr. Stephen McKenna as our guest speaker. Mr. McKenna served as a U.S. Navy E-2C Hawkeye Pilot and Landing Signals Officer. He flew with VAW-113 Black Eagles out of NAS Miramar and on Western Pacific cruises aboard the USS Constellation and the USS Independence. He later served as an instructor for VAW-110 Firebirds. Following his Navy career Mr. McKenna graduated from University of San Diego School of law and has been a private and government attorney for the past 25 years. Mr. McKenna will relate his experiences as a pilot, Landing Signals Officer, and as a flight instructor as described in his book, Fair Winds, Following Seas, and A Few Bolters.



Almas Yacht Club meetings are open to all Almas members

Social Hour at 1800h followed by dinner at 1900h.

Reservations are required for dinner. Dinner for the October meeting will be \$30.00. Menu to be announced when confirmed.

Contact AYC Secretary Fred Evens (fwevans@verizon.net) to confirm your attendance.

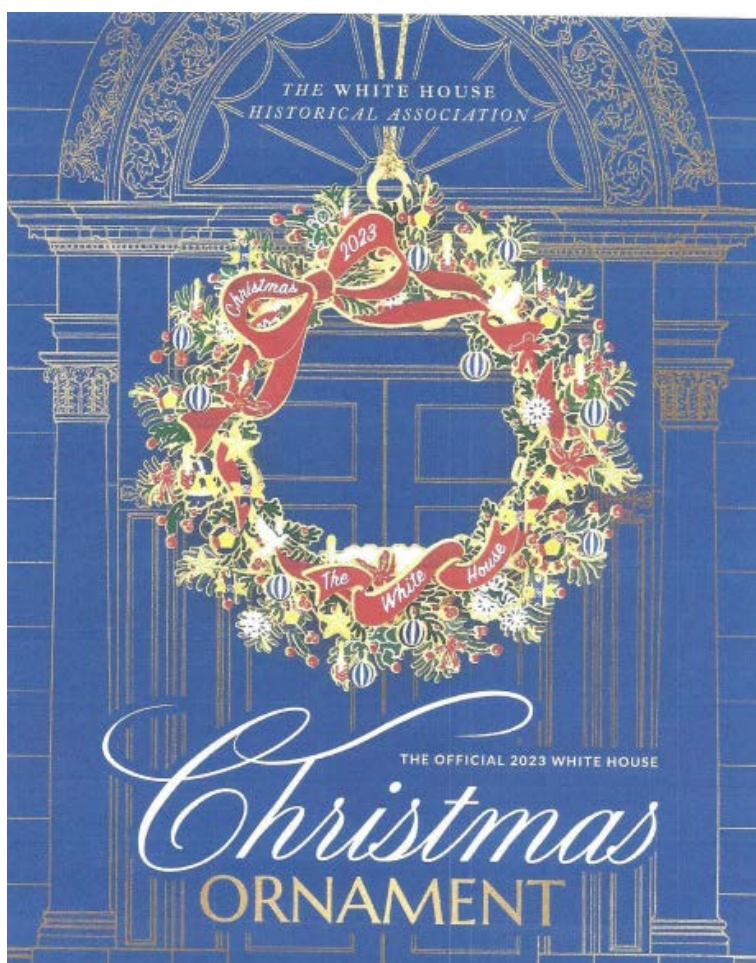
Meeting will be called to order at 1930h. A regular slate of minutes, treasure's report, and old business will be followed by election of the 2024 Bridge.

Almas Yacht Club, Chuck Carmichael, Commodore, 2023

CLUB NEWS

White House Holiday Ornaments

Summer is officially over, and Fall is upon us. Winter and the holiday season will be here before you know it. White House Ornaments make excellent gifts for those of your friends or relatives who you have no idea what to give. The Almas Yacht Club is ready to come to your rescue by offering these ornaments again this year. The cost remains the same at \$22 each. This is a bargain price. They have been seen on sale for \$25 at some retail establishments. Don't wait until the last minute and find out they are all gone. Please contact Ill. Fred Evans to get your ornaments.



IF YOU'D LIKE TO ORDER AN ORNAMENT PLEASE CONTACT
FRED EVANS AT 301-460-1982

CLUB NEWS

Almas Legion of Honor

The Almas Shrine Legion of Honor held our regular meeting on October 5, 2023 at Almas Shrine. This was our first meeting since the MASA Fall Session and was our election for the officers that will serve for the next two years 2024/2025. The following nobles were 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 is 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.

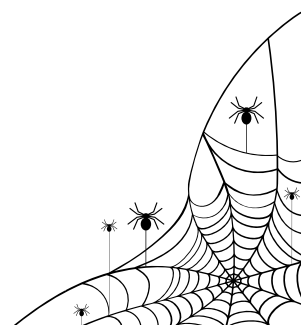
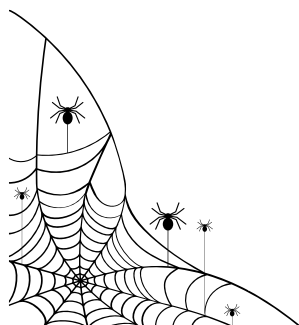
If you are Shriner in good standing of a Shrine Center of this Order who is a member or former member of the Armed Forces of the United States of America, or her Allies, and have received an Honorable Discharge from your last service or can produce evidence of such honorable service, come join the unit.

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 its 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 an 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



FEZ FOODIES

LIT'L SMOKIES MUMMY DOGS

INGREDIENTS

- 32 Hillshire Farm Lit'l Smokies®
- 1 (8 ounce) can refrigerated crescent dough rolls
- Mustard or ketchup, if desired



DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees F.
2. Unroll dough, separate at perforations, creating 4 rectangles. Press perforations to seal.
3. With a knife or pizza cutter cut each rectangle lengthwise into 8 strips making a total of 32 strips. Wrap one strip of dough around each Lit'l Smokies stretching dough slightly to look like bandages, leaving tip exposed to create face. Place on ungreased cookie sheet.
4. Bake 12 to 14 minutes or until golden brown. Draw features on tip of Lit'l Smokies to create face. Serve with mustard or ketchup, if desired.



FEZ FIZZIES

PUMPKIN SPICE MARTINI

INGREDIENTS

- 1 cup ice cubes
- 1 (1.5 fluid ounce) jigger vanilla flavored vodka (such as Stoli)
- 1 (1.5 fluid ounce) jigger Irish cream liqueur (such as Bailey's)
- 1 (1.5 fluid ounce) jigger pumpkin flavored liqueur (such as Hiram Walker)
- 1 pinch ground cinnamon
- 1 pinch ground nutmeg



INSTRUCTIONS

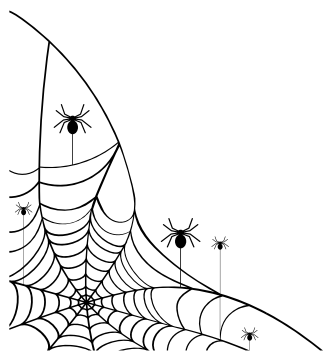
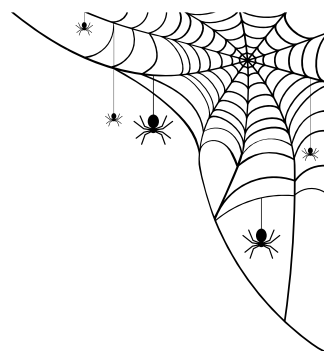
1. Fill a cocktail shaker with ice.
2. Pour vanilla-flavored vodka, Irish cream liqueur, and pumpkin-flavored liqueur over ice. Cover and shake until the outside of the shaker has frosted.
3. Strain into a chilled martini glass. Garnish with ground cinnamon and ground nutmeg.



FEZ FUN

OCTOBER WORD SEARCH

B D O A T S K E L E T O N S U Y T A V H
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FEZ FUN

COLORING SHEET



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 card.
- 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.

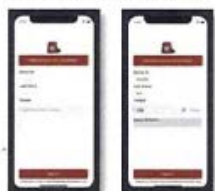
How to Download and Use My FezCard Viewer

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

1. 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.



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



3. You can click “QR Code” at the bottom or swipe the screen to the left to view the QR Code for easy scanning at Temple events and functions.



Download My FezCard Viewer – Android

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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.

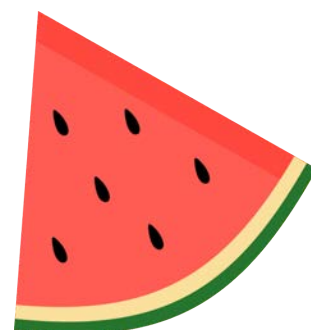
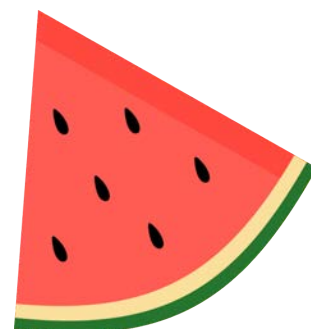
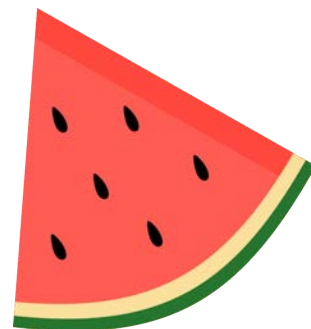
The cost of a plaque is \$100. For details on ordering a plaque, please contact III. Fred Evans, PP.



FEZ FUN

WORD SEARCH ANSWERS

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