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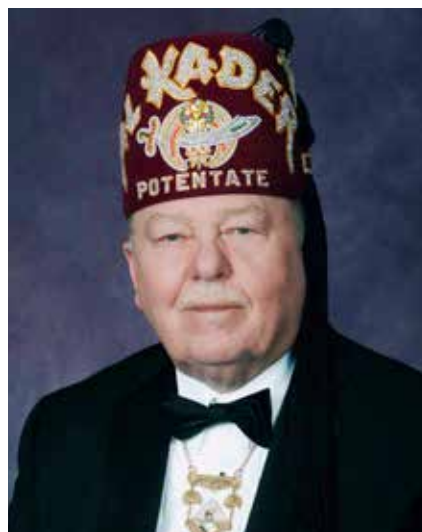
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From the Potentate's Desk

by 2017 Potentate I.S. Art Hermanson



Already a month has gone by and it seems like it was just yesterday that we held the Installation of the 2018 Al Kader Divan. For those of you who did not have an opportunity to attend the Installation, it was indeed a gala event. I was honored to have Noble Dave McCarthy & Lady Sandy join us from Fort Worth, Texas. Noble Dave & I traveled the "Sands" together in 1978. I don't want to simply recite all of the remarks and comments from that evening, however there is one that I must share. "Lady Lynne & I took a moment to thank Illustrious Sir Rennie Johnson & Lady Doris, who have guided us through these last six years. I am confident that Rennie was smiling down

upon us with that twinkle in his eye."

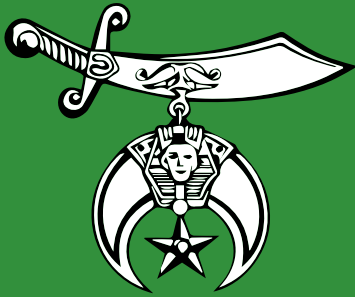
So, as I searched for inspiration on what to put to pen for the February Oasis, I was a bit perplexed. What could I add that would inspire and give thought to the Nobility & their Ladies? Should I once again remind everyone to pursue membership? Or, how about reminding all of our Nobility that they have an obligation to pay their dues in a timely manner. Or perhaps, I should provide some inspiration to the newly elected & installed Club & Unit Officers. So, as I searched for one topic to pursue, I suddenly had a moment when it flashed before my eyes. The answer was yes. All of those topics are worthy of our attention.

We need to be ever vigilant to recruit good men to our fraternity. Not only our Brother Master Masons, but also those good men we all know who have yet to ask "the question." Bringing a good man & his lady to one of our events might just be the impetus for him to want to join. When is the last time you brought a non-mason friend to a temple, club or unit social? Is there any of our fellow Nobles who we haven't seen in some time? If so, it is our responsibility to find out why they no longer attend? What can we do to make them want to come back & enjoy our great fraternity?

To our newly elected Club & Unit Officers, you now have the responsibility to objectively look at how you are conducting your events. If you were attending for the first time, is the meeting or social event inspiring enough to want you to come back next month? Did everyone have fun & did anyone tell you afterwards that they had a great time? If so, congratulations because you are doing it right. If not, you need to reflect on what needs to change to make it more fun.

One of the charges we vowed to take was; "exert your best endeavors to promote the true happiness of your Brother Nobles of the Mystic Shrine." We should never lose sight of that and always strive to make our meetings & events fun, so that all who attend will want to come back again & again.

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Spring Ceremonial

Fri-Sat April 6-7, 2018

Al Kader Shrine Center

Friday, April 6

6:00 pm

Candidates arrive at Portland Shriners Hospital for dinner and a presentation/tour of the Hospital

Saturday, April 7

11:00 am

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7:00 p.m. Stated Meeting

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by Order of: Potentate I.S. Art Hermanson
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Chaplain's Report

by Noble Kenton Wolfe

As I write this we are with some of our grandkids, which is always an interesting experience. I continue to be amazed at our younger generation and how advanced they are in many areas. I also wonder about their future.

I feel old when I think of all the things we used that they will never use. Such as tube type radios, TV's with one channel, car starters on the floor, dial phones with a cord, computers that sat on a desk and used double disc drives. AI (artificial intelligence) no longer just means artificial Insemination! I recently saw a prediction that children today will probably not actually drive a car, or maybe even own one. They will just use their iPhone to summon one, probably without a driver.

When I hear the expression "those darn kids" in relation to some occurrence I always ask the person if they have spent time with a younger person recently? Today's young people have a lot of things figured out better than us who have been

around a while. They can probably out-text you and show you better ways to use your computer for starters. They also can probably demonstrate a fresh look at life that you might find refreshing.

Along these lines are things we as Shrine Masons need to consider. What are we doing in our organizations to change to meet the needs of future generations?

How are we supporting our youth organizations? How are we relevant to the next generations? How will we attract them to our fraternities?

Some things to think about. Attend your next Lodge meeting and Shrine meeting or activity. Become more active and be part of the solution rather than part of the problem.

The good thing about being young is that you are not experienced enough to know you cannot possibly do the things you are doing. -Author unknown

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From the Potentate's Desk

continued ...

Finally, we all took an obligation when we became Shriners to keep in our heart, all the obligations of Shriners International. Part of those obligations is pay our dues. Whether it is your temple dues, club or unit dues; I remind you, that it is your obligation to pay those dues in a timely manner.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the Spring Ceremonial on April 7th, of course, with a candidate in hand.

Es Salamu Aleikum

Columbia County Shrine Club

by Noble Ron Ellenson

Congratulations to I.S. Art Hermanson on his installation as the 115th Potentate of Al Kader Shriners. The officers and members of CCSC are anxious to complement his agenda and goals for our Shrine. We especially invite the I.S. and Lady Lynne to attend our monthly Saturday 'mornings' for a hearty breakfast meeting. President Noble Terry always has a complete agenda of club business to discuss.

Noble treasurer Henry Heimuller reported and listed the operational expenses for the building, which included a charge for a recent service expense to our LIFT. We expressed a desire to seek a price adjustment for this seemingly excessive charge, or a credit on future maintenance. Thanks Noble Henry for your monthly report and watchdog of our finances.

We have resolved our audit notes, which largely related to lost communications between the Shrine Center and our postal box. As a side note, if members have not paid their membership dues please forward your payment to Noble Henry soon as possible.

I.S. Art is a back-to-business leader with a former Red, White & Blue military background, and is anxious to develop his programs and projects of having fraternal fun in addition to service at the Shriners Hospitals for Children® - Portland.

One of our pending and priority projects is the installation of the memorial flag pole donated by I.S. Rennie Johnson P.P. and Lady Doris. It will be a reminder of his long and steadfast commitment of our Club and Al Kader Shriners. Vice President Noble Bill Myers is designing the pole base. We encourage Al Kader Divan and all members to attend the dedication function which will be announced.

Our new Potentate's representative, Noble Dave Simpson, will commit to commuting from the South Pole in Salem to the North Pole in St. Helens to attend club functions; and if the power unit in his Tesla Model-X is up for the trips he will attend our activities to lend his business experience to our building operations and social events. Thanks Dave for accepting the challenge.

Our next regular meeting and breakfast will be Saturday, February 3rd at the Shrine Building in St. Helens. Please join us in toasting the martyred Saint Valentine, and share the traditional Shriner's hospitality and spirit.

Eugene/Springfield Shrine Club

by Noble Bill Jones

The Eugene/Springfield Shrine Club was honored to have the following Shriners present at their November 9, 2017 dinner at the Eugene Elks club. President Lloyd Henson introduced guests which included IS Ron Gamble and his new bride Lady Pam, IS Don Wetzel and Lady Sue of Hillah Temple, Chief Rabban Art Hermanson and Lady Lynne, and Past President of the Club Captain of the Guard Fred Hardin and Lady Reba. Following the traditional turkey dinner the President made announcements regarding the Donkey Basketball Game and the Springfield Christmas Parade.

Then came the big surprise - the Installation of the 2018 Officers was performed by both Potentates IS Ron Gamble of Al Kader and IS Don Wetzel of Hillah. This hadn't been done as a joint installation in about 20 years. Installed 2018 Officers were President Bill Jones (Hillah), 1st VP Lloyd Henson (Al Kader), Treasurer Les Spence (Hillah), and Secretary John Rodgers (Al Kader). 2nd VP Ralph Ferree was unable to attend. The additional surprise came when IS Ron installed the new Emerald Patrol President Martin Klos and Noble Mike Richardson of the motorized tricycles. Our installations were made memorable by our visitors and a good time was had by all! Our Club is looking forward to a successful New Year!



Director of Units

by Noble Forrest Hatch

I have the privilege of being the Director of Units for this year. As I mentioned in our training session Saturday communication is extremely important for all of us to succeed as a team.

Please attend the Unit Heads Meeting on March 22, at 6:30 p.m. in Harrington Hall, RSVP FOR THE DINNER just let Sarah in the office so that we can have enough food for everyone.

Please see the 2018 Parade Schedule on page 12 of this issue of the OASIS, determine which parades you are going to attend this year and bring your list to the meeting. Feel free to call me (541) 974-1326 or email me f4knight@comcast.net with any concerns or questions

Forget Me Not's

by Janis Ferlisi

The Forget Me Not's met for their first meeting of 2018 at McGrath's in Milwaukie on January 24th. As always it was a fun group of ladies. As I've stated in the past we are just getting together to have fun and enjoy one another- there is no reason other than social. We would wish that all widows of the Shrine would join our get together and have fun with us. We love to eat and talk – what else is fun for ladies to do. Please if you are a widow and you are just sitting at home with nothing to do out there and would love to come and have some fun with other widows, please check the schedule and come to our next luncheon.

Next luncheon will be on February 28, 2018 – location Old Spaghetti Factory Clackamas -12725 S. E. 93rd Ave. Clackamas and if you wish to join our luncheon please call me at (503) 244-6527 and let me know you will attend so I'll have a count for the restaurant. Thank you so much – look forward to seeing you all.

Patrol

by Noble Lou Westwick

The 2017-2018 Patrol Installation was held this year at the Al Kader Shrine Center. The Patrol used the newly renovated Louis Midget meeting room. IS Art Hermanson Potentate 2018 was the Installing Officer for the afternoon Installation. The Patrol Captain Greg Jenkins and his Installation Committee decided to use the new Louis Midget meeting since it was available for use.

Officers Installed were Captain Greg Jenkins, First Lt Dennis Harris, Second Lt Forrest Hatch, Sec Bill Blankinship, Treas Rich Blizzard for the coming 2018 year.

All the patrol members enjoyed the new Louis Midget meeting room layout and agreed we will be using the room again next year. The meal was \$25 of which was \$5 went to the Canby De Molay and Bethel 43 youth groups for serving the



Hospital Food Donation Committee

by IS John Nerski and Noble Brian Williams

For those Nobles and their Ladies in the Willamette Valley, we are exploring the possibility of forming a committee to help with the food donations to the Portland Shriners Hospital for Children in conjunction with the food caravan. If you are interested in helping out please contact Noble Brian Williams at 503-702-4393 or I.S. John L Nerski at 503-793-4527. We will have a preliminary meeting in February and would like to invite any and all volunteers.





Winter Formal!



February Birthdays!

Jack Cooper	2/1	Robert C Westerberg	2/9	Eldon F Thomas II	2/19
Stephen R Andrus	2/1	Michael T Marshall	2/9	David R Timm	2/19
Rodney C Lippert	2/1	James R Webb	2/9	Fadi S Arnaout	2/19
Johnny D Garner	2/1	Marvin S Soreng	2/10	Dana A Tawney	2/20
Norman G McLaren	2/1	Ronald G Risberg	2/10	Steven W McCathern	2/20
Leslie W Geren	2/1	David R Newgard	2/10	William B Allphin	2/20
Richard D Okita	2/1	Harold D Johnson	2/12	Louie E Sansing	2/21
Peter W Dorsett	2/2	Welmon Smith Jr	2/12	Donald L Williams	2/21
Gary Snyder	2/2	John A Bennett	2/12	Clyde C Nobles	2/21
Steven E Boos	2/2	Rodney E Thompson	2/12	William H Davis	2/21
Edward A Morris	2/4	R. M Wick	2/12	Clyde R Oliver	2/22
Sam M Wade	2/4	Theodore A Moan	2/13	Benjamin F Carson	2/23
Jason Z Levin	2/4	James T Farmer Jr	2/13	Manuel B Britt	2/23
Bruce W Dyar	2/5	Gary L Moe	2/14	Noel K Keister	2/24
Malcolm A McInnis	2/5	Kervyn L Harned	2/15	Milton H Johnson	2/25
Richard P Gerety	2/5	David P Billings	2/15	Kenneth W Zapp	2/25
Ronald J Eggers	2/5	Steven R Gardner	2/15	Clarence E Salter	2/25
Robin L Elliott	2/6	Justin R Mathis	2/15	Jaren E May	2/25
James F Godier	2/6	Gary L Lentz	2/16	Melvin P Brink	2/26
Terry L Griffith	2/6	Alan D Strong	2/17	Joseph W Jarvis	2/26
Ralph K Jubb III	2/7	Claude A Weldin	2/17	Chad E Rice	2/26
Herbert R March	2/7	William R Heintz	2/17	Robert Gedlick	2/27
John L Nerski PP	2/7	Jack R Burton	2/18	Richard J Gamble	2/27
Edward F Jud	2/8	David H Khal	2/18	John D Howarth	2/28
Robert W Baugh Jr.	2/8	Blair C Hill	2/19	Francis R Weatherly	2/29



Nobles Visited by the Black Camel:

Frank J. Harkenrider	7/24/17
Donald A. Bremer	10/23/17
Wayne A. Norman	12/21/17

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PARADE	DATE	ALL UNITS	VOLUNTARY
HEPPNER PARADE	17-Mar		X
THE DALLES PARADE	28-Apr	X	
NEWPORT PARADE	5-May	X	
KEIZER PARADE	19-May		X
SCIO PARADE	19-May		X
LEBANON PARADE	2-Jun	X*	
STARLIGHT PARADE	2-Jun	Hospital Support, Calliope, Oriental Band*	
ST HELENS PARADE	16-Jun	X	
SHERIDAN PARADE	16-Jun		X
WALDPORT PARADE	16-Jun		X
TILLAMOOK PARADE	23-Jun	X	
MOLALLA PARADE	4-Jul		X
CANBY PARADE	4-Jul		X
INDEPENDENCE PARADE	4-Jul		X
PHILOMATH PARADE	14-Jul		X
SWEETHOME PARADE	14-Jul		X
TOLEDO PARADE	14-Jul		X
TROUTDALE PARADE	21-Jul		X
DALLAS PARADE	28-Jul		X
NEWBERG PARADE	28-Jul	X	
JOSEPH PARADE	28-Jul		X
BAKER CITY PARADE	4-Aug	X	
ASTORIA PARADE	11-Aug	X**	
BEND RUN FOR A CHILD	11-Aug	X**	
AUMSVILLE PARADE	18-Aug		X
PENDLETON PARADE	8-Sep		X
BURNS PARADE	8-Sep		X
ALBANY PARADE	11-Nov	X	

* as listed, ** Units should try to split & cover both events.

OTHER PARADES:

MCMINNVILLE PARADE	19-May		X
FLORENCE PARADE	20-May		X
REEDSPORT PARADE	28-May		X
PRINEVILLE PARADE	30-Jun		X
HILLSBORO PARADE	4-Jul		X
CONDON PARADE	4-Jul		X
PACIFIC CITY PARADE	14-Jul		X
JEFFERSON PARADE	14-Jul		X
LA GANDE PARADE	4-Aug		X
SILVERTON PARADE	4-Aug		X
HERMISTON PARADE	11-Aug		X
COOS BAY PARADE	TBD		X
BEAVERTON	TBD		X
BEND	TBD		X
DAYTON	TBD		X
MILTON-FREEWATER	TBD		X
TIGARD	TBD		X
REDMOND	TBD		X
INDEPENDENCE CHRISTMAS PARADE	TBD		X

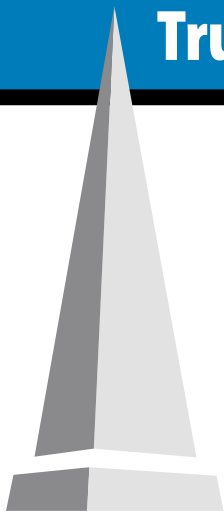
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IS Art Hermanson exchanging our check for the keys with the Landmark Ford Sales Manager. Also in this picture from left to right is: Recorder Dick Duer, Chief Rabban Todd Weedman, IS Art Hermanson, Landmark Sales Manager, Noble Brian Williams (with Reveille) and Executive Aide Herb Richardson. Chief Rabban Todd, Executive Aide Herb and Noble Brian, along with Noble Walt Johnson (not pictured) were the members of the Van Committee.

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Involve yourself; Get active. Join a Shrine Club or Committee. If you are interested in any of the following, please make a mark next to the group you would like to learn more about.

Patrol _____	Oriental Band _____	Legion of Honor _____	Volunteer Chaplain _____	Callipoe Corps _____
Flag Patrol _____	Ritualists _____	21-40 Club _____	Hospital Guide _____	Classic Cars _____
Greeters _____	Hospital Driver _____	Concert Band _____	Kader Klowns _____	Shrine Club in my area _____
Cyclowns _____	Motor Escort _____	Caravaners _____	Desert Patrol _____	
Shurtah (police club) _____	Hospital Support Club _____		Haunted House Club _____	Golf Tournament _____

Initiation fees, in full, must accompany Petition and may be paid by Visa, MasterCard or American Express. The special 50/50 fee is \$50*. The first year's dues will be prorated based on date of initiation. 2016 dues are \$104.00.

*Cost of Fez not included (Felt-\$140.00, Velour \$170.00, Fez Case and Accessories \$49)

Ceremonials will be held on _____

Total 50/50 Fees for Initiation – Shrine Year 2016 \$50.00

Cold Sands initiations, please contact
The Recorder or Potentate

Enclosed is payment in the amount of \$ _____ Check No. _____

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Name _____

Old Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

NEW Address _____

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Please add Telephone # () _____

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Calendar of Events

Please note that all dates and events shown here are subject to change without notice.

February

Saturday February 3
DeMolay Master Councilor Reception
6:30 pm

Saturday February 10
Sweetheart Social
Oasis 5:00 pm
Dinner 6:00 pm

Sunday February 11
Live at the Shrine Dance Night
4:00 - 7:00 pm

Monday February 12
Board Meeting 6:00 pm

Thursday February 15
Thru Sunday February 18
Al Kader Elected Officers
Winter PNSA
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho

Monday February 19
Divan Meeting
Dinner 6:00 pm
Meeting 7:00 pm

Friday February 23
DeMolay Crab Feed
6:00 pm

March

Sunday March 11
Live at the Shrine Dance Night
4:00 - 7:00 pm

Monday March 12
Board Meeting 6:00 pm

Sunday March 18
DON Installation
2:00 pm

Monday March 19
Divan Meeting
Dinner 6:00 pm
Meeting 7:00 pm

Thursday March 22
Unit Head Meeting
Dinner 6:00 pm
Meeting 7:00 pm

Monday March 26
Stated Meeting
Oasis 5:00 pm
Dinner 6:00 pm
Meeting 7:00 pm

Saturday March 31
Annual Kids Easter Egg Hunt
10:00 am - 2:00 pm

April

Friday April 6
Candidate Hospital tour
Dinner 6:00 pm

Saturday April 7
Ceremonial 11:00 am - 3:00 pm
Oasis 4:00 pm
Celebrating our new Nobles
Social & Ceremony 5:00 pm

Sunday April 8
Live at the Shrine Dance Night
4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Monday April 9
Board Meeting 6:00 pm

Monday April 16
Divan Meeting
Dinner 6:00 pm
Meeting 7:00 pm

Saturday April 21
DON Ceremonial
12:30 pm

Thursday April 26
Unit Head Meeting
Dinner 6:00 pm
Meeting 7:00 pm

For all club/unit meeting dates and times, visit AlkaderShriners.org