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From the Potentate's Desk

by 20198 Potentate I.S. Todd Weedman



Greetings Nobles and Ladies,

I hope all our Masonic and Shrine family has had a joyous holiday season, filled with blessings and the love of family and friends. The spoils of our relationships can never be overestimated.

Lady Marti and I are particularly grateful for the honor to serve Al Kader as Potentate and First Lady for 2019. Most especially, it is a privilege on behalf of Al Kader Shriners, for us to congratulate Illustrious Sir Art and Lady Lynne on a successful year. We will endeavor to emulate their excellent leadership. They, like those who have served before, continue to be a treasure of knowledge

and good advice as we set our sights towards the months ahead.

Stewarding our temple is impossible without the many Nobles and Ladies that truly make things happen. Al Kader is fortunate to have an abundance of talented energy throughout our fraternity – those that repeatedly achieve towering goals and others who are the resolute stalwarts doing whatever is required to support our philanthropy. I am favored with a fantastic Divan and office staff. What fuels their hard work and dedication is not universal. Or is it? Even the Oasis Editor, notwithstanding an allowed slew of fictitious editorials citing my name, does a great job and is one of the many fun-loving Cyclowns.

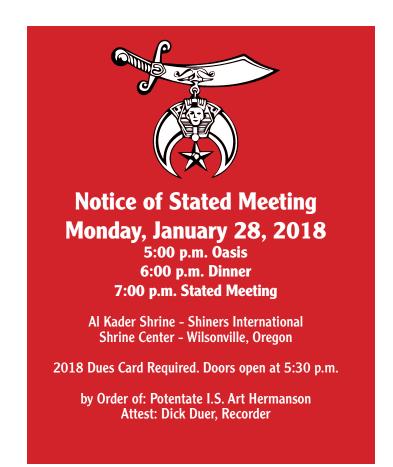
There are so many members and groups that deserve recognition; I.S. Art was surely challenged selecting these 2018 Award Recipients: Club of the Year – Linn County Shrine Club, Unit of the Year – Concert Band, Shriner of the Year – Gib Thonstad. Furthermore, I.S. Art presented inaugural Potentate's Awards for Excellence to Harney County Shrine Club, Milton-Freewater Shrine Club and Desert Shrine Club. Recently a certificate of Appreciation was given to the Walmart Distribution Center in Hermiston for their support of the Food Caravan. Decades ago there was an award of a Green Fez that could be presented to a Non-Noble who supported our efforts for an extended number of years, I.S. Art has resurrected the award, and designated the first Green Fez recipients since the 1960's. This year a Green Fez has been presented to Dan Wilkerson, manager of UPS in Hermiston, for facilitating the transport of over 500 tons of food for the Food Carayan, and another to a dear friend of Al Kader Shriners. Jack Dawes, for his musical contributions at the Oriental Band's Live at the Shrine events, the Shrine Hospital, and elsewhere for more than 10 years. A hearty thank you and congratulations to all!

Al Kader Shrine is a busy Temple, with many functions and fundraising endeavors. In years past, oversight for many of these has been the duty of various Divan positions. As the Divan changes every year, so does the leadership of these functions; creating inconsistent results and the burden of learning a new set of ropes every year. We know more hands

significantly lightens the load, and creating Standing Committees would provide stable leadership, better results and offer opportunities for more Nobles and Ladies to participate. Please team up with one or two of your favorite Nobles and contact Assistant Rabban Terry Griffith to share your talents and enthusiasm.

Nobles are familiar with the Shrine saying, "Fun with a Purpose," which will be a constant theme in 2019. We feel strongly that fun and success are integral components of a vibrant fraternity. To support and promote fun membership activities, fundraising, food caravan donations: etc., we are reformatting the Divan, clubs and unit training to emphasize, in addition to basic leadership information, the exchange of ideas between clubs and units. We will also rename this annual meeting "The Club and Unit Conference." Recognizing that brotherly love is the cement that binds our Masonic institutions, and that our joint successes feed the soul of every Noble and Lady. A beautifully aged ideal that was born to be experienced with others.

Let the Good Times Roll



Chaplain's Report by Noble Kenton Wolfe

Happy New Year! We are into another exciting year at Al Kader Shrine. Potentate Todd Weedman and his Lady Marti have some exciting activities and events planned. We have another great lineup of Divan and staff to support their leadership. Plans are to support our hospital while having good fellowship and fun doing this. As you make your plans for the New Year, include participation in Al Kader Shrine activities, as well as your local Masonic Lodge. What great New Year's resolutions!

As we consider plans for 2019, I propose a question for your consideration – What will be your legacy? I recently heard this question asked of a group. Legacy is often thought of as a gift of money or personal property that is granted by terms of a will. However, I believe that it can also include nonmonetary gifts as well. Perhaps the greatest gift we can give is our work. For to give of your time is the gift from the heart and that out of that love will last longer than money.

This reminded me of a famous quote I have carried in my wallet for many years from an unknown author titled "A Shriner." "A hundred years from now it will not matter what my bank account was, the sort of house I lived in, or the kind of car I drove. But the world may be different because I was important in the life of a child."

This really sums up what Shrine/Masons are all about. The world's greatest philanthropy supporting the best care available for children. We also do this through the world's greatest fraternity. We also have fun doing this. My next question is why isn't everyone a Shrine/Mason and why aren't all members active?

Over the years I have witnessed some people who chase money or possessions. Sometimes they do this at the expense of their health, family and quality of life. Other people take a different approach to life and are often happier and have a more fulfilling life.

What is your legacy? How will you be remembered? What did you leave to others? Think about this as you consider this new year and your Lodge and Shrine activities.

Enjoy life, it has an expiration date.

Al Kader Shriners Installation of Officers



Saturday January 5, 2019
Oasis 5:00 pm - Dinner 6:00 pm

Halibut Oscar or Beef Tenderloin Wedge Salad ~ Dessert Fine Wine Included



Formal Attire: Fez - Tuxedo - Black Tie Formal Dress for Ladies



Al Kader Shrine Center \$45.00 per person



Contact Shrine Office for Reservations
503-682-4420

Bend Christmas Parade by Terry Griffith, High Priest & Prophet

Neither rain, wind (or in this case snow), shall keep a true Shriner from parading. That was the case for the annual Bend Christmas Parade December 1st in Bend. With a light dusting of snow on the ground, eight intrepid go cart drivers showed up in their Fez's and donned Elf costumes to bring smiles to the people lining the parade route. By the time of the parade, the snow had melted and created quite a sloppy mess for the drivers, but each Shriner had a smile as big as the parade goers. I don't know who enjoyed it more!



The serious side of this parade, is the recognition the Shriners in Central Oregon enjoy. By keeping the Shriners in the public eye, it creates potential partnerships in the community as well as advertising not only the Shriners, but more importantly – the Masons.

What a great way to start the holiday season and get in the Christmas spirit!

Tualatin Valley Shrine Club by Noble Herb Richardson

If you were not at the Shrine Club Christmas event in December then you missed a great evening out.

For the December meeting each member and spouse was asked to bring an unwrapped child's present to the meeting. They were then to be collected and turned over to the Marine Corps Toys For Tots program. But, I discovered something very interesting recently. Although I love and support the Toys For Tots program and all the Marines do throughout the year, not just during Christmas, they do not have a toys distribution system to get toys directly to the needy child. They do mass distribution to charitable organizations which are more in contact with the child or group of children. The way I found this out was that the Shriners Hospital put in a request for a Toys For Tots toy donation and

was accepted. We had a team of drivers go over to the Reserve Center on Swan Island a few days ago and picked up a load of toys for the hospital. So I'm thinking maybe we should just take the toy collections straight to the Shriners Hospital? Cut out the middle man, so to speak. Let us see how that plays out in the meeting on December 19th. More on this in the next edition.

As you may recall, the November meeting of the Shrine Club was canceled because it would occur the day before Thanksgiving. We would have scheduled elections for Tualatin Valley Shrine Club Officers for the year 2019 during the November meeting but I understand there was a unanimous vote cast during the October meeting to retain the current slate of officers for a second year. So congratulations to President Bill Sparks, 1st Vice President Bob Strong, 2nd Vice President Ralph Jubb, Secretary John Wilde and Treasurer Rod Hevland, all of whom were installed at the December meeting.

The next business meeting and dinner will be at the Peppermill Restaurant on Wednesday, January 16, 2019 at 1900. Come early for some social time. And don't forget to bring those bottles and cans for our fund drive. If anything changes between now and then I'll let you know by mail, email or phone call.

My email address is still richardsonherb@ comcast.net and my home phone is 503-691-6711.

Happy New Year.

Motor Escort by Captain Carl Robinson

This has been an eventful year for Al Kader Motor Escort. Between illnesses and injuries, 2018 has been a struggle, but also a success. Our parade season was capped by the Albany Veterans Day Parade, which was as always very rewarding and a great deal of fun. Our final event of the year was the ABATE Toy Run to the Shriners Hospital. This was led by Santa Claus on a motorcycle, our own Mark Schnetzky. Santa Claus was escorted by I.S. Ard Pratt, I.S. John Nerski, and Nobles Rich Martin, and Dennis Desanno. The Motor Escort contingent was followed by a group of other riders, including the Widows Sons, a Masonic Riding Association.

In November, Motor Escort hosted a dinner where

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the new officers for 2019 were installed by I.S. Art Hermanson. Our new officers are: Captain I.S. John Nerski, Lieutenant I.S. Art Pratt, Treasurer Noble Rich Martin, and Secretary Noble Orin Sundeen. At the event Lady Lynne Hermanson was asked to draw the winning raffle ticket. Motor Escort was pleased to present our Masonic Tribute Henry Rifle to Eugene Foley of Portland, Oregon.

More from the Motor Escort Unit by I.S. John Nerski

Congratulations to the 2019 officers of Al Kader Shriners on their election to the Divan. We in Motor Escort look forward to a great year of service to Al Kader Shriners, Shriners International and especially to I.S. Todd Weedman. A special thanks to I.S. Art Hermanson and Lady Lynne for their hard work and dedication to all of us in Oregon and congratulations on a job well done. We want to also thank Noble Carl Robinson, Lady Darlene and the rest of the Motor Escort officers for helping us along with the activities of 2018, we all had a great time thanks to your hard work.

We in Motor Escort look forward to an active year in 2019 with all of the parades that are scheduled, Winter PNSA, traveling to the Imperial session in Nashville and the competitions there, the East/West game, Harney County, the Food Caravan and the rest of the fun things that happen during the year. As we transition into down time for the year it will give us an opportunity to work on the bikes, get our equipment in good shape, practice and improve our riding skills. Hopefully the Menehunes that have followed Noble Carl around last year grew tired of harassing him and have moved on to another part of the country... like Florida where there is good weather they can enjoy all the time.

As many of you know, last year we raffled off a Masonic Tribute rifle and we did fairly well in the proceeds. We are going to try that again this year and hopefully do just as well or better. We plan to visit more of the Blue Lodges throughout the State and at the same time promote membership in our fraternity. Please look for us with the raffle tickets and help us with this endeavor by promoting the greatest fraternity in the world.

Central Oregon Shrine Club by Terry Griffith, Assistant Rabban

Central Oregon Shrine Club raises \$39,000 for Shriner's Hospitals for Children in Portland.

The Central Oregon Shrine Club raised \$39,000 this year for the Shriners Hospital for Children in Portland. This is the 6th year for this event and has steadily grown each year. The Club has devoted thousands of hours to this event and has been pleased with it's growth.



This year, the Club applied for a Deschutes Brewery Community Pints request and was awarded the month of July at their Portland location. Community Pints if a program wherein they donate \$1 for every pint of beer sold on each Tuesday of a given month. We had a great showing of support, with Shriners and Fez's every Tuesday. Through your support, we received \$4.175 that went into the total for the Run.

The Silent Auction the Club holds during the event brought in a whopping \$8,824. I have heard several people say that the Silent Auction is the most well organized silent auction they have seen. This year we had over 60 different offerings from get-away weekends to a portable shed. It is quite a site to see.

The Central Oregon Shrine Club has identified two different programs which our event supports; the Motion Analysis Clinic and the Nutrition Services Department. The Motion Analysis Clinic helps identify the gait issues of our patients and is utilized to identify the most optimum outcome for orthopedic patients. The money donated to the Nutrition Services Department will be helped to offset the costs of meals for families of long term

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patients who are staying with the patients.

Central Oregon Shrine Club is extremely honored and proud to be able to say that since we began this event we have given the Hospital over \$130,000. The Club is looking forward to next year and our goal of \$49,000!

Greeters

by Noble Don Slezak

The Greeters should be all ready for the New Year. The divan for 2019 is ready to go and the Officers for the Greeters have been installed. Since our first meeting of the New Year is on New Years Day we won't be having a meeting in January. Being a holiday everyone would expect overtime pay and we can't afford that. The February meeting will be canceled by executive order. The weather is always bad and the only thing we have to discuss is the golf tournament and no one wants to think about that in February. The next meeting we will have is March 5, 2019 at the Shrine Center with social time and potluck at 6:00 and the meeting at 7:00. All Greeters should plan on attending.



With all this time off each of you can be out looking for sponsors and players for the 74th Annual Al Kader Golf Tournament. It will be on August 15th at the Oregon City Golf Course.

The Oriental Band crab feed is January 26th. If you like crab you don't want to miss it.

There is a stated meeting January 28, 2019.

Al Kader Patrol by Past Captain Lou Westwick

The Patrol is getting to the point of having a bigger Ladies Auxiliary group than the Nobles group. In the last few months we lost Nobles Gene Stiles, Chuck Howard and Peter Willemse to the Black Camel. Our Unit mourns the loss of these Nobles. Two of the Nobles are Past Captains of Patrol, Nobles Gene Stiles and Peter Willemse.

Patrol had their annual elections, Nobles for the coming year are Dennis Harris Captain, Forrest Hatch 1st Lieutenant and Steve Dunn 2nd Lieutenant. The members of our Patrol Unit wish to give our support to our Unit leaders for the coming 2019 year.

Last September our Unit hosted a donkey baseball game at a field in Salem. We had around 100 in the stands watching the game. If you have never watched a donkey baseball game, you are missing some good entertainment. Our Unit has had 2 donkey basketball games in the past, but this was our first baseball game. Look in the Oasis as we are working on another baseball game next year.

As seen in the beginning paragraph we are losing Patrol members for flag carriers in our parades. What with age and health issues our Unit is getting smaller. As I said in the beginning, we are starting to have a bigger group of Shrine widows and Shrine Ladies. We are working on a way to show the flags better in the Shrine parades next year. We can not come up with 9 Nobles to carry flags, and it is getting difficult to get three for the main flags.

In closing our Unit wishes our new 2019 I.S. Todd Weedman and his elected Divan well in their coming year.

Multnomah Mayan Tribe #1 by Noble Art Thompson

On the Mayan Long Count Date of 13 Baktun, 0 Katun, 6 Tun, 1 Uninal and 2 K'in, or as we at Al Kader Shrine say, December 12, 2018, the newest Al Kader Shrine Club met and had its officers installed by the Potentate I.S. Art Hermanson.





The Multnomah Mayan Tribe #1, or as I.S. Art named us "The Tribe", is a group of Shrine Nobles who are dedicated to raising funds for the Al Kader Shrine Hospital Transportation Fund, and having fun in the process of raising those funds.

The newly elected officers are: The K'uhul or Chief, Noble Ted Balestreri; First High Noble, I.S. Ron Gamble; Second High Noble, Noble Larry White; First Day-Keeper, Scribe and Keeper of Letters, Noble Kevan Snyder; and Second Day-Keeper, Keeper of Numbers, Noble Ralph Jubb.

Concert BandBy Noble Jeff Zimmerman

It's a brand new year, and we extend hopes of happiness and health to the whole Al Kader family.

The Concert Band is honored that I.S. Art Hermanson selected us as Al Kader Unit of the Year for 2018. Not only do we each feel the pride of this distinction, but we also get great enjoyment from getting together and making music. The companionship and teamwork developed through the process of rehearsing together builds those strong relationships that all Shrine/Mason families realize when working closely toward a common goal.

Although our unit is shy in numbers of Shriners, we are very large in promoting family togetherness. Because we are allowed to join forces with non-Shriners in order to keep our band functioning and producing enjoyable music, we are able to assemble a group that creates a full, wonderful sound such as we did for the recent Christmas Ball. For that performance we staged 24 musicians. Of that number, 8 are Shriners; 12 are directly related to me and my wife. We had 3

generations of one family playing together that night. This group's skill levels ranged from music educators (4 of them) to high school and middle school students, and everything in between.

We are very thankful for our non-Shrine, Associate members that help us keep this 100+ year old group going. But we would surely like to have more Shriners join the band. If you think your other Shrine/Mason responsibilities keep you too busy to play with the band let me direct your attention to Gib Thonstad, Al Kader Shriner of the Year for 2018 and tuba/trombone player in the Concert Band. Many well deserved congratulations to Gib and Lady Cris for handling a very busy schedule.

You too can promote the great philanthropy of the Shrine and have lots of fun playing music with friends and your family all at once. Just talk to any Concert Band Member about sitting in with the band and give it a try.

Fine for now.

Legion of Honor by Noble Carey Huckaba

December 14th was a stormy day on the north coast of Oregon but despite high winds, rough seas an side-winding rain, eleven of Al Kader's finest braved the storm to participate in the December meeting of Al Kader Shrine Legion of Honor's North Coast Platoon, held in the quaint Camp 18 Restaurant on US Highway 26 between Elsie and Necanicum junction. Better known to flatlanders as Saddle Mountain junction.



We were honored to have as our guest Al Kader Legion of Honor Adjutant, Curtis Hanson who enjoyed the confraternity so much that he joined

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the North Coast Platoon.

We also welcomed back to our ranks Past Lt. Commander Ted Johnson who is back on his feet after a lengthy recovery from a broken back.

On the agenda was election of the North Coast Platoon's 2019 officers. Elected and installed by Al Kader Legion of Honor Adjutant, Curtis Hanson were: Commander Frank Jordan, Lt. Commander Victor Kee, Adjutant Carey Huckaba, Finance Officer Jesse Exton and Quartermaster Larry Evey.

With this slate of officers, you just know that good things are going to happen on the north coast of Oregon in 2019.

Standing Committee Members Needed

by Terry Griffith, Assistant Rabban

Four new "standing committees" are being formed to help facilitate our larger annual events. These four committees will be utilized in planning and executing: Easter Kids Party, Al Kader Family Picnic, Food Caravan and the Kids Christmas Party. Each committee will work with a Potentate's representative but will be a self-standing committee designed to work independently to accomplish their task. As a member of the standing committee you will have a commitment of at least two years to that committee to maintain continuity for the committee.

Anyone interested in helping with one or more of the committees, please contact me (503-910-2162) so we can further discuss the duties and



responsibilities. These are extremely important committees for our Temple and we need interested Nobles and Ladies to help.

The Potentate has identified these committees as needed for the continued and smooth operation of these events. Please step up and add your expertise and experience in one or more of these standing committees.

Lincoln County Shrine Club by Mark C. Phillips, High Priest & Prophet-Elect



Lincoln County Shrine Club held its holiday dinner with the Ladies, plus its last Stated Meeting of 2018, at Newport Masonic Lodge on December 2, 2018. The following officers were elected for 2019 (Left to Right): Victor Morton, President: Dennis "DJ" Johnson, 1st Vice President; Larry Philbrick, 2nd Vice President; and Gregory Armstrong, Secretary-Treasurer. The Club's first Stated Meeting of 2019 will be held at Newport Masonic Lodge on January 12, 2019 at 2:00 p.m..

Forget Me Nots by Judy Alley

As many of you will attest, December flew by in a cloud of holiday cheer. Mrs. Santa Claus (Barbara Hammer) spread joy to the children. Our beloved leader, Janis Ferlisi made our modest gift to the Transportation Fund at the Al Kader Christmas Ball. More than one table of Forget Me Nots celebrated with Al Kader nobles as Potentate Art Hermanson recognized outstanding service for the year 2018. It was a great night to catch the holiday spirit!

Now, we look forward to meeting with our sister Forget Me Nots at 11:30 AM on January 23rd at Abella Italian Kitchen, 8309 SW Main St, Wilsonville, OR 97070. Please RSVP to wjalley@comcast.net or (503) 805.8183. All Al Kader widows are welcome.

Salem Shrine Club by Dick Duer, President

Our meeting was held at the Keizer Elks Club on December 5th at 11:30 a.m.. We had discussion about having joint meeting with Polk County Shrine Club on January 18th at Murphy's in Dallas at 6 p.m..

It would be wonderful to have a full compliment to show support of both clubs. New thoughts and ideas will be appreciated as to how we can make our clubs grow, and ways to help our hospital and children.

We are looking forward to seeing new faces and enjoying each others company. Ladies are always welcome, so let's give them a night off from cooking.

See you all January 18, 2019 at Murphy's in Dallas at 6:00 p.m..

Linn County Shrine club by Ron Henderson

The seventh annual Donkey Basketball game was held on Dec 1 at North Albany Middle School.

We had approximately 200 in attendance. We had the Linn County Sheriff's Department go against





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County SC Country Break, Sc.00 Donalio, Sq.

Tall Stack of Fluffy Pancakes - Classic Waffles
Sausage n' Cream Gravy on Buttermilk Biscuits
Tasty Scrambled Eggs & Hash-Brown Potatoes
Sausage Links & Crispy Bacon Strips
Premium Coffee - Hot Teas - Orange Juice - 2% Milk

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TOY RUNNERS





a new opponent, which was Lebanon Fire. The results were the same – as the Sheriff's won for the third year in a row. Everybody who attended said they enjoyed watching the game quite a few participants fall off the donkeys.

I want to thank everyone who participated and helped this year to make it another success. We are looking forward to next year.

Oriental Band by Noble Kevan Snyder

The OB Crab Feed is on January 26th and tickets are going fast. New officers for the OB for 2019, are; Bud James-President, Ron Gamble-1st Vice President, Rick Gamble-2nd Vice President, John Smith-Recorder, and Gillan Bradley-Treasurer. The next 'Live At The Shrine' Dance, is on January 12th, (the second Sunday of the month). The lights are low, the music is beautiful; and it is a good place to dance, or just have fun. We meet (together with our Ladies) most Tuesday Nights for fun, food, and OB practice. All Shriners and their Ladies are welcome.



Hermiston Desert Shrine

by Noble Ranjan Smith

Congratulations to Josh Burns of Hermiston's WalMart DC. Here he is on ugly sweater day accepting recognition for Hermiston Desert Shrine donations during 2018. Thank you Walmart DC 6037 Hermiston Oregon.

Legion of Honor by Ron Henderson, Adjutant

We had 16 Nobles and 7 Ladies in attendance, which is a good showing of Nobles and Ladies. IS Art Hermanson was there for our last meeting of the year as Potentate, of which he is also a member. He installed the officers of LOH for 2019. The Officers installed were Commander Frank Brewington, Lieutenant Commander Alan Harrison, and Adjutant Ron Henderson, also elected were Sgt. Of Arms JB Dick and Chaplin Ken Palin. IS Art pointed out that this was the first place he announced he was going to go through the chairs for Al Kader. If there are any shriners out there that were in the Military, we would like to have you join the Legion of Honor an outstanding group of men and their Ladies. Our next meeting is January 9th at 11:30 am at Scottish Rite Center in Salem.

Cyclowns by Patrick Sheehan

The Cyclowns held their annual holiday party at the Spaghetti Factory in December, thanks to the statute of limitations running out on our restraining order.

Cap'n D-Day gaveled in the meeting, and the discussion quickly turned to debate about whether the club was going to pay for entrées or drinks and appetizers. Cap'n D-Day declared this was too contentious an issue to remain on the floor and declared everything would be on the club.

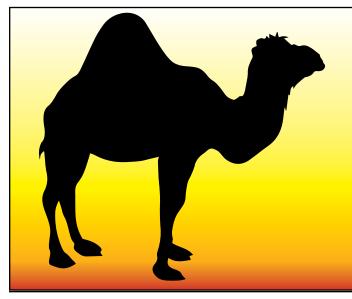
Not one to waste an opportunity, Don Hayhurst was asked what he would like to order, and replied, "page two." Thirty minutes later, wait staff brought out the 24 entrées, 6 appetizers, and 12 beers listed on page two.

Hayhurst gleefully devoured the free meal and beers, having earned such a feast from his valuable service helping the ring girl with the ropes on fight night.

When you think of less fortunate people this holiday, remember that includes the socially awkward. May Don Hayhurst be in your thoughts.

December Birthdays!

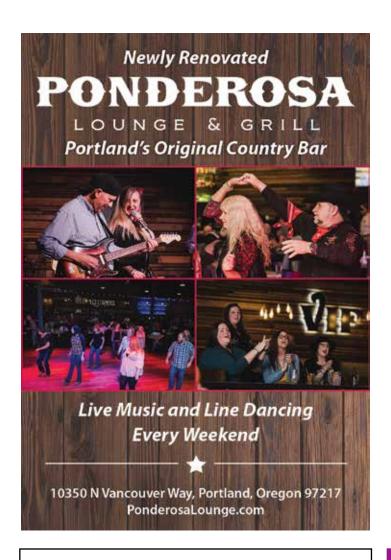
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Grover W Sparkman	1/2	Douglas D Walter	1/12	Ralph G Winters	1/24
Floyd H Garland	1/2	Brandon W Van Dyke	1/12	Roy H Peterson	1/25
Dennis D Johnson	1/2	William H Sparks	1/13	Reybert A Reece	1/25
Walter L Hoyt	1/3	Deon L Strommer	1/13	Christian S Lassen	1/25
James A Davis P.P.	1/3	Jason D Lavery	1/15	Theodor C Huber	1/25
Nathan R Neff	1/5	Ned E Davis	1/16	Michael L Landtiser	1/25
Roger H Reid	1/6	Herbert C Richardson Jr	:1/16	Ronald D Graves	1/26
Douglas R Rand	1/6	Philip A Gamelgard	1/16	Ronald L Matlack	1/26
Chester A Bennett Jr	1/6	Milan T Haskell	1/16	Jerry R Wilson	1/26
John P Ridenour	1/6	Larry C Carrick	1/17	Evan J Tradup	1/27
Darrell L Barton	1/6	Ralph R Patterson	1/17	Kenneth V Cochran	1/28
Kenneth C Gardner	1/7	Joseph H Cawrse	1/17	Bob M Keller	1/28
Ivan L Meads	1/7	William H Krohn	1/17	Richard J Bishop	1/28
Donald F Stapleton	1/7	Richard L Schoonover	1/17	Russel D James	1/28
Lloyd B Baldwin	1/8	Robert B Piatt	1/19	Thomas O Burdett	1/29
James S Akers	1/8	Elmer C Schrader	1/19	Henry Stockhoff	1/29
Gabriel H Jones-Gallardo	1/8	Daniel R Bauer	1/19	Fredric C Sherman	1/29
Allen V Bixby	1/9	Raymond A Wood	1/20	Richard I Laird	1/30
Robert W Blankinship	1/10	Daniel H Strand	1/20	Gary Heim	1/30
John R Franklin	1/10	Mitri Obeid	1/20	Ralph E Bergerson	1/31
Ryan T Winters	1/10	John W Dalke	1/21	Donald C Jensen	1/31
Myles McMillan	1/11	Ronald L Gamble P.P.	1/21	David R Beach	1/31
Richard G Ray	1/12	Peter G Clark	1/21	Dan L Zeit	1/31
Dean L Reed	1/12	George McMurrick Jr	1/22	James P Burness III	1/31



Nobles Visited by the Black Camel:

Nels H Edlund	1/5/18		
Donnovan F. Hampton	9/21/18		
John A Zuercher	11/18/18		
Roger B Baker	11/29/18		
Robert Timm	12/2/18		

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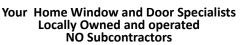
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Columbia County Shrine Club by Noble Ron Ellenson

Congratulations to Potentate-elect Todd Weedman as he moves forward to lead Al Kader Shriners through our Temple programs for 2019. Weedman has been a great line officer, and we assure him our Columbia Shrine Club looks forward to supporting his programs and goals throughout the new Shrine year.

Thank you I.S. Art Hermanson and Lady Lynne for your leadership during the past year. The entire membership appreciates the leadership you have provided during 2018, and your programs have certainly been appreciated by the Nobility.

We thank our Potentate's representative, Noble Dave Simpson and Lady Chie for their loyal support of our Club. Their contributions are appreciated. Next year's rep will be Jim Loennig.

Our financial report, submitted by Noble Henry Heimuller, indicates the club is healthy. We continue to seek renters for our dining room area, and are anxious to offer that beautiful area to local groups for their meetings or social events.

We voted to request our present officers continue their roles during 2019, and upon their acceptance Noble Dave Simpson installed them. Our programs for the year are expected to be very similar to 2018.

It was reported that I.S. Dan Moyer P.P. is battling kidney failure and diabetes. We keep I.S. Dan in our prayers.

Noble Larry Evey presented a \$100.00 donation from Al Kader in appreciation for the flagpole installation, a donation from the late I.S. Potentate Rennie Johnson. We are still trying to secure a lighting contractor to complete the lighting project.

Our monthly breakfast project is an ongoing success. Please keep in mind that the hearty meal will continue into the December and January holiday periods. Everyone is invited. Our monthly meetings will also continue throughout the holiday period. We encourage all Blue Lodge members to join us.

Wishing everyone a continued holiday season that is peaceful, joyful, and oh-so-very merry!

In Memoriam Noel Keister



The roll of the workmen has been called, and one Master Mason, Illustrious Brother Noel Keister, 33°, Inspector General Honorary, has not answered to his name. He has laid down the working tools of life and with them has left that mortal part for which he no longer has use. His labors here below have taught him to divest his heart and conscience of the vices and superfluity of life, thereby fitting his mind as a living stone for that spiritual building, that house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. Strengthened in his labors here by faith in God, and confident of expectation of immortality, he has been granted admission to the Celestial Lodge above. His Brethren mourn the passing of a great man and Mason.

Noel Kerry Keister (Electrical Estimator) was born on February 24, 1929 in Brainerd, Minnesota; he passed to the Celestial Lodge in Forest Grove on November 9th, 2018, at the age of 89. He was a member of Klamath Lodge #77 in Klamath Falls, affiliated with Beaverton Lodge #100 in Beaverton and Sherwood-Midday Lodge #164 in Sherwood. He was a Nobel of the Al Kader Shrine Temple in Oregon. In the Scottish Rite Brother Noel received the 32° on May 14, 1983 in the Portland Valley Temple, was made a Knight Commander of the Court of Honor October 18, 1993: Honored on November 13, 1993, and he was Coroneted on November 20, 1999 as an Honorary Inspector General 33° of the Supreme Council of the A.&A. Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, S.J., U.S.A.

A celebration of Noel's life will be held at the Shrine Center in Wilsonville on January 12, 2019 at 1 p.m.. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Shriners Hospital for Children Portland or Al Kader Shrine Hospital Transportation Fund.

In Memoriam Joe Saito



Joe Yoshihiro Saito, 100, passed away peacefully on Monday, December 3, 2018, at Brookdale Senior Living in Ontario, Oregon.

Joe's family moved to Malheur County from Clackamas County in 1934 to row crop farm. They were among the first Japanese families to have a tractor. Prior to World War II, Saito joined the US Army in July 1941 to serve as a medic. He was assigned to Camp Shelby, MS, in July 1943, to join the 442nd Combat Regimental Team. Out of this, a new unit was formed called the 171st Special Training Battalion to train combat replacement soldiers, of which Joe became a cadre member to train soldiers for combat duty. On July 2, 1945, he graduated from OCS at Carlisle Barracks, PA, and ended his military service as a 2nd Lieutenant, being discharged in October 1945.

During his time in the military, Joe was influenced in his thinking by the events that happened to the Japanese residents on the West Coast in the process of evacuation and internment. It became his lifelong ambition to help combat the prejudices and injustices waged against the people of Japanese descent.

As a community leader and activist, Joe served on many boards and participated in numerous civic and social activities that included founding member of the Malheur Co. Onion Growers Association, President of the Snake River Japanese American Citizens League, President of Intermountain District Council, member of the Ontario Lions Club, Jaycees, serving as President, the Masonic Lodge and the Shriners. He joined the American Legion, rising to Commander of Legion Post 67. In 1996, Joe with wife, Nellie, were honored as the Chamber of Commerce "Ambassadors of the Year" and received the Distinguished "Couple of the Year" award in year 2000. Joe was named Grand Marshall of the Ontario Winter Wonderland Christmas Parade in 2006.

In Memoriam **Bob Timm**



Bob got his EA in October 1960 and raised to MM in January 1961, joined Al Kader in March 1975. During the next years he belonged to the Provost Staff and was asked to be on the (then) Uniformed Units Staff in 1984. He became Director of Units in 1987 under Illustrious Sir Bob Burleson when PNSA was held in Portland. He served again in 1989, 1993, 1994, 1999 and 2000. The only man to serve 6 years.

During 1987 when Bob's brother joined Al Kader, he remarked that the aging men were going to have difficulty soon marching in parades and wondered if a motorized unit should be formed. Bob created the Desert Patrol in 1989 for members to ride ATV's, and was instrumental in the creation of the Shurtah. When Bob purchased an RV in 1991, he asked the office to research the old Caravaners Club from the early 1970's and re-wrote bylaws to begin anew. He also started the Classic Car Unit. In 1992 he was asked to create a Motor Escort Unit for IS Doug Day.

As the Caliope needed refurbishment, he asked Ken Self if a new jeep were purchased to tow it, if it could be made into a locomotive. With Ken's engineering expertise and creativity, it became reality.

IS Rennie Johnson surprised Bob by awarding him Ambassador Emeritus status in 1999. He wore the fez with extreme pride and loved being a part of the World's Greatest Philanthropy, working behind the scenes to accomplish many things.

A celebration of Bob's life will be held at the Shrine Center in Wilsonville on January 6, 2019 at 1:30 p.m.

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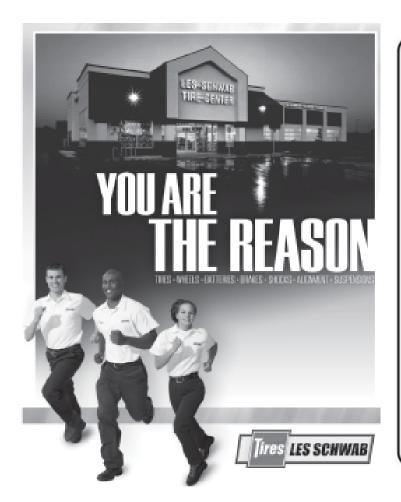
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January

Saturday January 5

(Divan Only) Installation Practice 3:00 - 4:00 pm Divan Pictures 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Saturday January 5

Installation of 2019 Divan Oasis 5:00 pm Dinner 6:00 pm

Saturday January 12

Aide Seminar 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Monday January 14

Board Meeting 6:00 pm

Saturday January 19

Club an Unit Conference 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

January 26

Oriental Band Crab Feed Oasis 5:00 pm Dinner 6:00 pm

Monday January 28

Stated Meeting Oasis 5:00 pm Dinner 6:00 pm Meeting 7:00 pm Necrology 7:15 pm

February

Saturday February 2

DeMolay Master Councilor Reception Time TBD

February 7-8-9

Al Kader Elected Officers PNSA Al Kader Shrine Center

Sunday February 10

Live and the Shrine Dance Night 4:00-7:00 pm

Monday February 11

Board Meeting 6:00 pm

Monday February 18

Divan Meeting Dinner 6:00 pm Meeting 6:30 pm

Friday February 22

DeMolay Crab Feed Oasis 5:00 pm Dinner 6:00 pm

Thursday February 28

Unit Head Meeting Dinner 6:00 pm Meeting 7:00 pm

March

Saturday March 2

Hillah Installation - Roseburg

Saturday March 9

Military Social Oasis 5:00 pm Dinner 6:00 pm

Sunday March 10

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

Monday March 11

Board Meeting 6:00 pm

Sunday March 17

Nydia Temple Daughters of the Nile Installation 2:00 pm

Monday March 18

Divan Meeting Dinner 6:00 pm Meeting 6:30 pm

Monday March 25

Stated Meeting Oasis 5:00 pm Dinner 6:00 pm Meeting 7:00 pm

Thursday March 28

Unit Head Meeting Dinner 6:00 pm Meeting 7:00 pm

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