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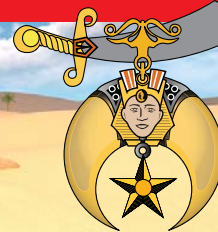
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Potentate's notes



Martin Bush, Potentate

Greetings Nobles and Ladies...

It is hard to believe that we are already halfway through 2024. Many great events have occurred, and we haven't started our summer activities yet!

We had great success with bringing events back to Al Kader such as the Forget Me Not Ladies' luncheon, which is still being talked about. Our Spring Ceremonial brought in three new Nobles and was dedicated to IS Tom Bland who made the trip up from Arizona for this event. We have had amazing meals for the Stated Meetings that everyone who attends the meetings thoroughly enjoys, and an updated video conferencing platform so those who reside a lengthy distance can watch the stated meetings from the comforts of their home or local Masonic Lodge.

With the positive feedback Al Kader encountered so far, we also are experiencing some lows that have had many scratching their heads, especially our Executive Officers.

First off, with the upgrade of the Zoom link, we still are not receiving the attendance from Nobles like we thought we would. If you are unable to attend the Stated Meetings in person and are not watching the Zoom link, why not? I spoke with several Nobles that have internet capabilities at their respective Masonic Lodge buildings as well as their homes, however their lack of attendance to the meetings via Zoom was unclear. What will it take to gather a bunch of Nobles and watch the Stated meetings? If you or your facility is having problems connecting to the Stated meeting, please let the Center know so we can accommodate your needs. Even our in-person attendance has been lower than anticipated. With the outstanding meals prepared by Chief Aides Robert and Debbie Baugh beforehand, Nobles still are not attending. Not sure why.

Secondly, our membership goals for 2024 have been discouraging at best. While other Temples are bringing in new Nobles at a record pace, Al Kader hasn't been so fortunate. At the annual Al Kader Leadership Conference, it was discussed by Chief Rabban Forrest Hatch in lengthy detail on how to bring

in new candidates, which is why it is important to attend this yearly training. As I mentioned in previous correspondence, we are losing more Nobles than we are bringing into our fraternal order. There are clubs and units within Al Kader presently that due to not bringing in new Nobles have folded or are close to folding because of their decline in membership. Some haven't had a new Noble join their club or unit in years! When we lose Nobles, we lose revenue as well. It is up to ALL of us to speak up at our Blue Lodges and recruit candidates. A concept used not too long ago was the motto, JUST ONE. If each Noble brings in one candidate, we can gain our membership strength back to its original numbers in no time, but if we sit back and do nothing, then our membership numbers will obviously diminish until we are unable to afford to keep our doors open.

Because of our limited finances, we had to cut some items out of our budget and focus on staying in the black and not in the red. We saved some money with the cancellation of the Potentate's ball, but some unforeseen expenses took a chunk out of our budget as well.

I would like to give a big shout out to our administrative staff, Rose and Mary, who have gained bookings for events at the Center which has helped immensely. Kudos to Rich Ling and John and Barb Wilde for their beautification of our campus landscape. To my Lady Alicia for upgrading the potted plants at the Center entrance, and any other Nobles and their Ladies who pitched in to make Al Kader a place to be proud of.

My quote of the month comes from the late American author, poet, and civil rights activist Maya Angelou...

If you're always trying to be normal you will never know how amazing you can be.

Until next time...



Chaplain's notes



Kenton Wolfe, Al Kader Chaplain

"I love a parade" was a song from a Broadway musical in the 1930's, was also in a movie in the 50's and remains popular in many venues today. I like parades and is one of the reasons I am a Shriner.

I was in a high school band and marched several times in the North Iowa Band Festival in Mason City, Iowa (should be noted the city was founded and named by Masons). One year the parade featured the world premiere of the Music Man Movie which was written by Mason City native Meredith Wilson.



I had a start in parades marching with a high school band. Then for about 15 years early in my Shrine Career I was in the award winning Al Kader Kaliphs Motorcycle patrol in Shrine Parades around the Midwest. Then in the most recent dozen years I have had the opportunity to be in parades with the Al Kader Oriental Band.

One Shrine Parade highlight was an Imperial Shrine Parade in Toronto, Canada in the 70's where both a day parade and a night parade each lasted for nearly eight hours! There was every type of parade vehicle and unit one could imagine. Other highlights have been in parades with the Anheuser-Busch Clydesdale hitch and the 40 horse parade hitch of Dick Sparrow.

A few years ago, we were in parades on both coasts taking part in parades in Newport on the west coast and in Daytona Beach on the Atlantic coast in the Imperial Shrine Parade.



Here in Oregon, it is exciting to take part in the Starlight Parade here in Portland each year. All of the lights and large enthusiastic evening crowd is pretty exciting. It was also exciting to recently participate in the Portland Rose Festival Grand Floral Parade walking with the 100th Anniversary Shriners Children's Portland Award winning float.

My purpose in noting my Shrine Parade experiences is to point out one of the fun parts of Shrine. It is also rewarding to have a Shriners Child, or someone come out of the crowd to thank the Shriners for their personal experience with our medical system.

I will admit that not everyone is as excited about parades as I am. But the fun, fellowship and crowds can be exhilarating. Consider joining a parade unit or putting on your fez and attending a parade. I think you will find most units welcoming.

Kenton Wolfe, Al Kader Chaplain

Oriental Guide's notes



Kristopher Torrey, Oriental Guide

I would like to start with thanking the Nobility for your faith and trust in me to elect me as Oriental Guide for the remainder of the 2024 Shrine year.

We have a few big things going on this year and I need the help and support of every Noble to make these events grow each and every year.

Food Caravan

This year I have been in contact with many of you about the 2024 Food Caravan, which is happening on October 19th this year. Our goal this year is to regrow the Food Caravan back to the days of its glory. Now this can't be done without all of your help. This will require the work of each and every club and each and every Noble.

An Email was sent to the Shrine Temples of Nile, Afifi, Hillah, Masada and El Korah to have them come on board with us to make this year's Food Caravan. So far, Masada has contacted me and is on board to help. Please discuss this in each of your clubs and let me know where we stand to help with the Food Caravan. I have sent out the 2024 food guide and presentation to each club/unit officer and emissary several times over the last couple of months.

Remember that donations and collections do not have to be only in October for the annual event. Donations of perishables can be donated throughout the year and need to go directly to Birch Community Services. These donations of shelf stable and frozen (going to Birch) and fresh products (directly to the Hospital) need to be coordinated directly through Noble Kris Torrey. Again, you can not take any donations directly to the Hospital or Birch without it first being coordinated and scheduled with them.

Please discuss this with your clubs and units and work on a plan to solicit donations of food items and monetary donations for Shriner's Children's Portland. On the Presentation, there is the tax ID number for the Hospital for donations. Emissaries, please make sure to discuss this with each club and unit meeting you go to. The attached guide contains a list of their annual uses of products. Please report to me what you have going on for the food caravan.

Receipts with the Tax ID number are available at the Al Kader office. Also all donations need to include a detailed inventory. Please keep track of values for Al Kader as well.

I am the is the Point of Contact for the Food Caravan and please contact him by email (Kristopher.torrey@gmail.com) or by phone/text at 541-324-3389.

Music Festival

The 2nd Annual Wilsonville Music Festival is coming up quickly. It is September 20-22nd and promises to be a good time. The committee, chaired by Chief Rabban Noble Forrest Hatch, is working hard to pull it together as we get the festival off the ground. What is your club or unit planning to do to support the Music Festival? Are you making a cash donation? Are you going to submit a raffle item for Lady Winnie Carey's silent auction table? Remember, these fund raisers and events are there to keep Al Kader running and provide a good time for the Nobility as well. Without your support, we can not continue to grow and stay afloat. Please consider supporting the Wilsonville Music Festival and the silent auction.

Oriental Guide's notes

218th Field Artillery Battalion Mobilization Ceremony

This is a special opportunity we have been asked to be a part of on August 9th starting at 10:30am. Pacific University is where the 218th Field Artillery Battalion of the Oregon National Guard is having their mobilization ceremony. These service members are being deployed for a year to Iraq and Syria. From 10:30 to 12:30 there will be a big family event for an expected 1000+ service members and their families. I was contacted to see if the CyClowns would like to come and support and be there for the children. We were also asked about the Legion of Honor to come out and support. I have been in contact with the CyClowns, LOH as well as the Afifi Clowns to see who is

willing to come support. This is a great opportunity to show the Fez and support the troops and their families. If you would like to attend, please contact me and I can provide a head count to the director of the event. If your club or unit wants to come out and support and you need a table space or electricity for it, let me know. Thank you all for all you do for Al Kader, Shriner's Children's and the Community. I look forward to many more years of service with all of you.

Noble Kristopher Torrey
Oriental Guide

Ticket available at AlKaderShriners.org

Wilsonville Music Festival

**ECLECTIC AMERICAN SONG STYLES
SEPTEMBER 20, 21 & 22, 2024**

**twelve PNW bands • three dance floors • two stages
Al Kader Shrine Ballroom
25100 SW Parkway • Wilsonville, Oregon**

Billy & the Rockets • Black Swan JB w/ Marilyn Keller • Bridgetown Sextet • Djangophiles • Fabulous Bad Cats



Ginger & the Tonics • Linn Street Din • Lonesome Dewey • Ne Plus Ultra JB • Pink Lady w/ LATs • Shaymus Hamlin



Festival Tickets

Three day pass \$110 • Friday only \$35 • Saturday only \$45 • Sunday only \$35

Net proceeds are for the benefit of Al Kader Shrine. Tickets are not tax-deductible.





SHRINER PATIENT GRADUATES

Payton Gregory, a lifetime patient at Shriners Children's, has graduated from Redmond High School. The Central Oregon Shrine Club first became acquainted with Payton and his family during the Shriners Run For A Child held in Bend in 2013, at that time he was 7 years old.



THEN...

...NOW



We have had the proud honor of being able to watch him grow into the man he has become today. It is a reward, that as a Shriner, we did not expect, to become so close to him and his family. IS Terry was honored to be invited to his graduation party and graduation, which is a something he will always treasure. Shriners often say that our pay is the thanks we get at a parade or when someone who has been touched by Shriners Children's approaches us. Well, here is another one!

SISTERS RODEO 50/50

For a fundraiser the Club decided last year to hold 50/50 raffles during the Sisters Rodeo in June. The response was so positive that we continued with it this year and made some improvements. We purchased a vendor package

with 10'x10' logoed pop-up, table cover and 2 feathers for advertising. The items worked very well and drew a great deal of attention.

This 50/50 is operated differently than others, in the aspect that it is outside the venue of the stadium and in the vendor area. Our members walk around and solicit purchases while wearing hazard vests labeled Shriners 50/50 (you can't miss them). This also allows the sales person to visit with the public about being a Shriner and doing some advertising.

The raffles are conducted during each event, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The winner on Friday turned out to be a former Shriner's patient which made it even more satisfying. For 2025 we will again be out at the Sisters Rodeo. If you would like to make a trip to Sisters in June, please come and help.



EAST WEST PLAYERS BANQUET

COSC held their players banquet last month at a local restaurant in Bend. Thirty-two guests participated, including three players, one cheerleader and their families. Also attending was the East Team coaching staff.

The banquet consisted of dinner, a short program regarding the Shrine, Shriners Children's and the East West game, and presentation of certificates. This year, with the addition of 5A schools, Central Oregon represents 10 schools. We are very excited to have such a selection to draw from.



Pictured: players, RWB Dale Wiley DD, IS Terry Griffith, PP, Noble Matt Alexander, President, East Team coaching staff.

Clatsop County Shrine Club Fez Lunch at Mo's Seafood and Chowder Restaurant



Al Kader History Mystery #2

John Smith, Historian
Nathan Alexander - Assistant



Question: The concept of one Shriners Hospital was approved in Portland, OR in 1920. It was to be modeled after a Scottish Rite Hospital in Atlanta. A committee was formed to return to the 1921 Imperial Session with the suggested site of the first Shriner's Hospital. They returned with a suggestion, but what was it?

Answer: Their suggestion was not that it be one hospital but a nationwide system of "Shriner's Hospitals for Crippled Children".

If you have an Al Kader History question you would like answered, email (starmason@aol.com) it to me and I will try to find the answer and get it to you.

AL KADER OASIS HEADLINES IN OCTOBER OF 1954 (70 YEARS AGO)

"Two New Shrine Clubs Formed; Total Nears 30", "Father-and-Son Night Program Scheduled", "Cold Sands Ceremonials Create 21 New Nobles", "Temple Chanters Make Several Appearances", "Club (Hood River SC) Takes Kiddies To Shriners Circus", "MEET YOUR BAND", "Bowling NEWS", "IMPERIAL COUNCIL CHANGES PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE" (Inputs " ... my Flag...")

Hazel Dell Parade of Bands

On May 18, 2024 Al Kader Shrine participated with Affi Shrine in the Hazel Dell Parade of Bands. We had the Shurtah car driven by Dan Adamson and 2 Renegades driven Chief Rabban Forrest Hatch and our newest Noble Michael Frye. We had a fantastic time in the parade with the Nobles of Affi Shrine. After the parade we were invited to a tailgate party with them. The food was great as well as the friendship we had that day.



Al Kader Shriners **presents** **Harley Davidson** **Motorcycle** **RAFFLE**



Saturday
November 16th, 2024 8:00 p.m.
Tickets \$10.00 each
Only 5000 Tickets Will Be Sold
Retail Value \$17,300.00

Net Proceeds go to Al Kader Shriners
Not deductible as a contribution for tax purposes
Winner Must be 18 Years of Age
Winner Responsible for Taxes and Registration Fees
Need Not Be Present to Win

Tickets Available Through Al Kader Shriners
12500 SW Parkway Ave
Wilsonville, Oregon
503-682-4420
Or Online at alkadershriners.org
Contact your Local Shrine Club or Unit

Save the Date!

Al Kader Shriners Desert Patrol



FOOD | DRINKS | GAMES | PRIZES | DESSERT AUCTION

OCTOBER 5th, 2024

\$30 Includes 1st Beer and Stein

5:00pm Doors Open - 6:00pm Dinner

25100 SW Parkway Ave, Wilsonville OR 97070

(503) 682-4420 for Reservations

Proceeds are for the benefit of Al Kader Shrine Desert Patrol

Payments are not deductible as a charitable deduction

Ticket available at AlKaderShriners.org

Rain Soaked... AGAIN! ST. HELEN'S PARADE

Patrol, Concert Band, Shurtah and Desert Patrol were representing Al Kader and won the Sweepstakes award from the St. Helens Kiwanis Club.



Sweepstakes Award



7/1/2024	Frederick W. Raw	7/10/2024	Victor Y. Kee	7/22/2024	Ralph M. Bankston
7/1/2024	Robert E. Schroder	7/10/2024	Richard C. Komraus	7/22/2024	Edwin L. Spears
7/1/2024	George W. Forester	7/11/2024	Victor C. Morton	7/22/2024	Steven L. McCabe
7/1/2024	James L. Morgan	7/11/2024	James H. Loenning	7/23/2024	N.H. James P.P.
7/2/2024	Duane E. Fandrem	7/12/2024	Michael J. Pinkman	7/23/2024	Stephen D. Wolfe
7/2/2024	Robert D. Timm III	7/13/2024	Gary W. Weiner	7/24/2024	Mark D. McNabb
7/3/2024	David P. Johnson	7/14/2024	Kenneth L. Briggs	7/24/2024	Dennis L. Desanno
7/3/2024	Douglas A. Neville	7/16/2024	Martin A. Kennedy	7/24/2024	George W. Evans Jr.
7/4/2024	Willar K. Leamon	7/16/2024	John D. Pifher	7/25/2024	Dennis A. Stephens
7/4/2024	Ralph H. Ferree Jr.	7/16/2024	Averitt R. Giddings	7/25/2024	Michael A. Benson
7/4/2024	Bradley P. Fudge	7/16/2024	W. C. Carey	7/26/2024	Ivan W. Gordon
7/4/2024	Bruce L. Nguyen	7/16/2024	Ralph K. Jubb IV	7/26/2024	Larry J. Williams
7/5/2024	Danial S. Jordan	7/16/2024	Shareef Hakim	7/26/2024	Weston B. Aanderud
7/5/2024	Sterling K. Hanakahi	7/17/2024	Richard B. Eiden	7/26/2024	Craig W. Johnson
7/5/2024	Forrest L. Hatch	7/17/2024	Brandon Robinson	7/26/2024	William J. Dobrinin
7/5/2024	Michael L. Sanders	7/18/2024	Richard A. Martin	7/27/2024	John F. Pinckney
7/6/2024	Wade W. Robley	7/18/2024	Thomas S. Andres	7/29/2024	James C. Sanders
7/7/2024	John A. Torwick	7/18/2024	Steven L. Lindley	7/29/2024	Jack C. Conley
7/7/2024	C.A. White	7/19/2024	William F. Jordan	7/30/2024	Dean E. Becker
7/7/2024	Everette F. Fitzgibbons	7/19/2024	Otis C. Orr	7/30/2024	Gary W. Kuney
7/7/2024	Michael A. Spurling	7/19/2024	Steven R. Newgard	7/31/2024	Lloyd W. Haatia
7/7/2024	Tyler Gabrielli	7/19/2024	Brad J. Henry	7/31/2024	George M. Currin
7/8/2024	Zane R. Haper	7/19/2024	Horacio L. Arellano	7/31/2024	William J. Haynes
7/8/2024	Allen L. Harrison	7/19/2024	Patrick B. Cuomo		
7/8/2024	Kenneth L. Hall	7/20/2024	Richard R. Pickwick		
7/9/2024	Thomas C. Golden	7/20/2024	Don Stein		
7/9/2024	Michael Phenning	7/21/2024	David K. Blair		
7/9/2024	William J. Hinkle	7/22/2024	John W. Stortz		

MEMBERSHIP

PETITION FOR INITIATION & MEMBERSHIP AL KADER SHRINE - 2023

50/50

Shriner International
25100 SW Parkway Ave. Wilsonville, OR
Office 503-682-442 Fax 503-685-5080
Email: office@alkadershriners.org



To the Illustrious Potentate, Officers and Members of Al Kader Shrine, Oasis of Wilsonville: I am a mastermason in good standing in _____ Lodge No. A. F. & A. M. and have been since (Date) _____ Address _____ City/State _____ which is recognized by or in amity with the Conference of Grand Masters of North America. Furthermore, I have resided at my current address for not less than six months, as required by the Bylaws of the Imperial Council. I respectfully pray that I may be made a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, and become a member of Al Kader Shrine. If I be found worthy and my request granted, I promise to conform to the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of the Imperial council and the Bylaws and ceremonials of your Al Kader Shrine.

Have you previously applied for admission to any Shrine Center of the order? _____ Name? _____ When? _____

SIGNATURE

DATE

CANDIDATE INFORMATION

PRINT FULL NAME _____ SPOUSE NAME _____

RESIDENCE _____ CITY _____ STATE _____

ZIP _____ HOME PHONE _____ CELL _____ BUSINESS _____

EMAIL _____

HAT SIZE _____ PROFESSION OR OCCUPATION _____

BIRTHPLACE CITY _____ STATE _____ DOB: MONTH _____ DAY _____ YEAR _____

SPOUSE EMAIL: _____

Are you Sr DeMolay? _____ Member of Scottish Rite? _____ York Rite? _____

SPECIAL NOTE: PLEASE ATTACH A COPY OF YOUR CURRENT BLUE LODGE DUES CARD

This Petition must be signed by two (2) Nobles in good standing in Al Kader Shrine

Top line signer

Noble _____ Print Name _____ Member # _____

Second line signer

Noble _____ Print Name _____ Member # _____

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.

Al Kader Brew Club _____ Cyclowns _____ Hospital Guide _____ Patrol _____

Calliope Corps _____ Desert Patrol _____ Hospital Support Club _____ Ritualists _____

Caravaners (RV Club) _____ Emerald Patrol _____ Legion of Honor _____ Shrine Club in my area _____

Classic Cars _____ Greeters _____ Motor Escort _____ Shurtah _____

Concert Band _____ Golf Tournament _____ Oriental Band _____

Initiation fees, in full, must accompany Petition. The special 50/50 fee is \$50.00*.
The first year's dues may be prorated, based on date of initiation. *Cost of Fez not included.

New Velour Fez \$205.00, Fez Case and Accessories \$50.00. Some used fezzes may be available in select sizes. Call the Shrine office for details. Used Fez \$25.00

Ceremonials will be held on March 4th & October 28th. Anyone desiring to schedule additional
Cold Sands initiations, please contact the Recorder or Potentate.

Total 50/50 Fees for initiation \$50.00 – Total Fees for Shrine Year 2024 \$140.00

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

Please charge my credit card No. _____ Expiration Date _____

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Recorders Record: Elected _____ Check \$ _____ Created _____ Member No. _____

Mark Your calendar

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

July

July 20th
Newberg Parade

July 24th - 28th
East/West Weekend - Baker City OR

August

August 3rd
Silverton Parade

August 8th
Emissary Meeting (Via Zoom)

August 10th
Astoria Parade

August 23-25
Masonic Cave Degrees

Sept

Sept 6-7-8
Burns Weekend

Sept 12
Stated Meeting

Sept 20-21-22
Music Festival

Sept 26
Unit Head Meeting

Notice of Stated Meetings Thursday, September 12th, 2024

5:00 Oasis - 6:00 Dinner

Pre-Paid Reservations Required - Call 503-682-4420

7:00 pm Stated Meeting

Al Kader Shrine Center Wilsonville

2024 Dues Card Required

by Order of: IS Martin Bush, Potentate • Attest: IS Ron Gamble, Recorder

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

With your phone in camera mode, hover over the QR code
above to go directly to the Al Kader Events Webpage!

