

# Al Koran Shriners News





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Treasurer	Jay Flack
Recorder	Robert Berteau

# APPOINTED DIVAN Coming next issue

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#### From the Potentate



My fellow Nobles,

Well, here we go again, I would like to express my gratitude at being elected potentate for 2018. I plan to continue the magnificent work started by Illustrious Sir Roger Neff.

It is with mixed emotions that I once again take on the leadership of Al Koran Shriners. Although we are now in a better financial situation than in 2014, many of the Noble who lent me their assistance in 2014 are unable to do so now, and we still struggle

with membership and participation. But as the saying goes, when one door closes another one opens, so we will be taking advantage of those new open doors. (And to you younger members this is an opportunity for you) As an officer in Al Koran you would be a leader of a million dollar business, and a representative to a billion dollar business.

The Grand Lodge of Ohio has instituted a new program, called the replace yourself program. While this isn't a new idea it is a timely one, and something Al Koran can also get on board with.

I have no plans to make a lot of changes from last year in the coming months, and would ask all of Illustrious Sir Neff's committees and appointments to continue on as they were for the immediate future. If you are unable, or unwilling to do so please let me know, and I will find another Noble to replace you.

One new concept for 2018 however will be that we will be doing more with Tad-Mor Shriners. With the many challenges here at Al Koran, and at Tad-Mor, having a secure and friendly place to meet is just one of the reasons this will be new project for 2018, and it will allow for the more judicious use of our financial resources.

Our web site will also be one of my chief priorities. Getting it to the point of providing timely and pertinent information, especially on upcoming events.

It will take the cooperation and effort of all of us to make this year a success, I look forward to working with you.

#### Official Call of the Potentate

The next regular monthly Business Meeting at Al Koran Shrine Center is on **Monday January 15th, 2018 at 7:00 PM**. Dinner at 6:00 PM - reservations a MUST and are due by noon on Friday before the meeting.

Robert Berteau Recorder Es Selamu Aleikum

Thomas Klecan Illustrious Potentate

For those of you that submit materials for the monthly newsletter - the Al Koran News: It is important that I receive your letters, ads and photos in a timely manner, so that I can assemble the newsletter with enough time for artwork, layout, printing & mailing. I have a deadline of the "2nd Wednesday" each month to allow this schedule. As you can see on our monthly calendar, the middle of each month is a busy time for your Divan - with our meetings. If the newsletter can get into production earlier than that, it would greatly reduce the workload for other important Al Koran business matters later in the month.

Thank You, Roger Neff P.P., Editor & Publisher

#### **Calendar of Events**

January 6th - Tadmor Shriners Installation of Officers

January 13th - Al Koran Installation of Officers and Installation
for Hunter's Unit Officers

January 15th - Regular Monthly Meeting of Al Koran

January 20th - Shriners East/West Football game Party - Joint venture with Tadmor Shriners. At Tadmor Shrine - Doors open at 1:00 with Game and Staek Dinner begining at 3:00. Call Al Koran Office for more details and reservations by January 18th.

#### **Santa's Pal's** - more inside and on back cover!





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#### Paper Deadline!

All submissions must be in to Al Koran by the 7th day of the month preceding publication. Email files & photos to: rneff@rencomm-ad.com

#### **November 2017 Membership**

November 1st	1,068 Regular	4 Associates
Creations	12	1
Affiliations	0	0
Restorations	0	0
Demits	0	0
Deaths	5	0
Suspensions	0	0

November 30th 1,075 Regular 5 Associates Total Membership as of November 30th , 2017 1,080 Nobles

# When the Great Architect calls, then Our friends obey, and fold their tents and steal away. To the land where the crystal waters flow, Where the beautiful Palms of the Great Architect grow. In Memoriam November 2017 Ken Dezman Rich Guzoski Rich Huebner Charles Skinner Don Walker P.P.

#### Transportation Unit

We would appreciate continued donations of aluminum cans and copper. We remain grateful for Nobles and others who bring cans and copper to the Shrine Center. We are especially grateful for the continued support of Paul at Bakers Union #19, Iron Woods Golf Course and Ron at Mr. Divot's on York Road for their collection of cans and copper. We would like to thank Sheldon at American Metal Recycling. All these efforts help the Children's Transportation Fund and or mission to get our kids to our hospitals for the care they need.

Al Koran also needs Drivers to transport our Children to our hospitals. If you would consider volunteering as a Driver please contact Mike Davison at (440) 546-9866. Share the experience with your wife or a friend ... they won't be the same for the experience of being to one of our Hospitals. Drivers are not required to belong to the Transportation Unit.... but you would be welcome.

Thom Sabados, President

John Tascar, Treasurer



#### Kids Christmas Party



# **Al Koran Shriners**



2018



# Installation of Officers

Saturday, January 13, 2018

1000 East Edgerton Road Broadview Heights, Ohio Social Hour 6pm Dinner 7 pm Installation 8 pm

Cost: Donation to Al Koran Transportation Fund Please call (440) 546-9866 for reservations

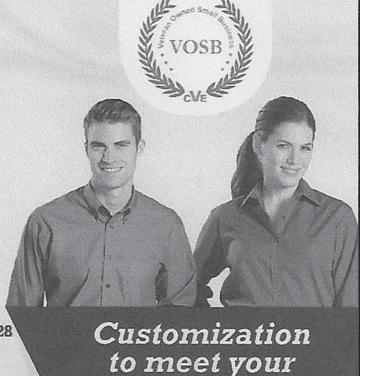


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Lakewood Shrine Club invites all Nobles, Ladies and their Guests to join us for our January meeting at the Cleveland Yachting Club on Wednesday January 10th. Oasis starts at 5:30 PM, so please join us for fellowship and fun. Dinner is at 6:15 PM and is always superbly prepared by the Clevend Yachting Club. Call your reservations in to George and Peggy Everden at 440 799-8825. They will tell you what the menu selections are. Lakewood Shrine Club meets on the second Wednesday of each month. Become member and there will be no Club dues for the first year, and, even better... your first dinner will be on the Club.

#### Drivers' Corner

The following volunteers have driven children to and from the Shriners Hospitals during the month of November.

Mike Brookins
Wayne Angstrom
Fred & Mary Freer
Debbie Saiter
Jim Ward
Roger Calkins
Jack Watson
John Deliman
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Jim Burnham
Fred Dezee
Bill Early
Bob Seeger
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Tom Halden
Howard Merritt
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All Masons can be Roadrunners – team up with Shriners and even involve your Lady

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#### From the Recorder

Greetings Nobles,

Peg and I hope you had an enjoyable Holiday Season and wish you a happy and prosperous 2018. Thank you to the many Nobles who continue to support me and my tasks here at Al Koran, my door is always open for you, please let me know how I can help with whatever you need.

Nobles, the 2018 dues statements have been mailed again from Tampa and all should have received one, if you have not received yours please give me a call in the office for a second copy. If you have not paid your 2018 dues please do it **NOW**, **2018 DUES WERE DUE BY December 31**. We still have 250 Nobles who have not paid 2018 dues. Per Imperial by-laws we cannot carry you on our records if you are 2 years behind meaning 2017 and 2018, as of **December 31** we had to **suspend 45**, if you have been suspended and wish to re-affiliate please give me a call and we can start the process, it is fairly simple. Plastic dues cards have been mailed to all our members, these cards will be in use for the next 5 years with stickers being issued for those years, I do get calls for lost cards so beginning with 2018 we will charge an additional \$5 to replace your card, Al Koran has been absorbing this cost but seems many are being tossed at the end of the year. **DO NOT THROW CARD AWAY AT END OF 2018!!!!** 

The 2018 Divan will work with each of you during this year and pledge our continuing support of all clubs and units. To those drivers of our kids please fill out a new driver sheet again this year, please call the office to have one mailed or stop in or come to any business meeting and fill one out. We do this each year for re-newel of our Insurance and is required by the company, all information remains confidential, thank you in advance for complying. Please **MAKE THE EFFORT** to attend one meeting or event during 2018, you will be surprised of the changes, the officers have pledged to improve our meetings and events so come out and be part of the exciting 2018 Shrine year. I look forward to working with all of you and the continuing challenges of this office.

Robert D. Berteau, Recorder



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#### Mariner's Log – Bob Stanley, M.S.A.

The Mariners would like to welcome the twenty new Nobles into Al Koran Shrine. In the Oasis of Cleveland, you will find many units and clubs who have various backgrounds and experience of which you may have an interest in. They are there for your participation. Welcome aboard.

Over the years, I have been asked who are the Al Koran Mariners. Well, we are members of the International Association of Shrine Yacht Clubs. We welcome both sail and motor boaters. We also welcome "used to be" boaters, "wanna-be" boaters and land yachters. Our regular business meeting is held on the second Thursday of each month at various yacht clubs along Lake Erie. All events and rendezvous are open to all Mariners and our ladies. Most importantly, we wholeheartedly support our Shrine Hospitals. Come join and sail the waters of Lake Erie with us. You will be glad you did.

Sunshine Chairman, Emil Arvidson has informed me at this writing (December 6) that Dave Zmek, P.P. is in sick bay. Keep taking your vitamins and avoid all falls during the old man winter months of snow. To our Florida snowbirds, don't forget your sun screen.

In January, with the darkness of winter upon us, the brightest week is always the week of the Cleveland Boat Show. If you need to find a Mariner, this is the first place to look for him while the boat show is open.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for Saturday, January 13, 2018, which will be the installation of the Al Koran Shrine officers for 2018.

The January Al Koran Business meeting will be held on Monday, January 15, at our Shrine Center. There will be a dinner prior to the meeting. Please call ahead to make your dinner reservations.

We all know and remember Barnaby and Ready Kilowatt, but how many of you Clevelanders remember Nosmo King and Wolley Segap? In the February edition of the Al Koran Shriners News, I will reveal who the above two were. Until then, keep on thinking.

For information regarding meetings, membership or activities of the Al Koran Mariners Yacht Club, please contact Commodore Ronn Murphy at 216-702-6785.

God's Speed



#### Crooked River Hillbilly Clan #16

Wein like to congratulate and invite all da new Nobles and their ladies ta join us fur our pot luck and Installation of Officers on January 24th. Richard Metzler will be installed as Rabban of the Clan, Keeper of the Cob Jim Huff, Keeper of the quill John Larson, and Keeper of the Still Jack Conner. Last year wein stated up a few activities and wein on da up swing. Weins gotta get the outhouse cleaned up and emptied and make sure Mike don't visit it before da installation.

#### **Hunters**

The Installation of Officers for the Hunters will be held along with the Divan on January 13th. Please call Mike in the office for reservations as soon as possible. There will be no other meeting in January for the Hunters Unit.



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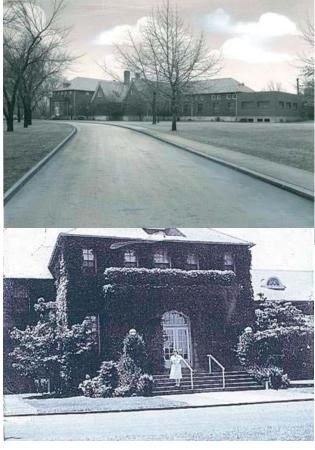
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# Shriners Hospital for Children - Erie... Past to Present









## **Up Close with Santa**



Kids Christmas Party



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#### From the Cincinnati Hospital



# The Tipsheet

JULIA ROBERTS

December 2017

JACOB TREMBLAY

An e-Newsletter for Staff, Volunteers and the Board of Governors

# Families treated to a special evening of WONDER

Families, patients and staff from Shriners Hospitals for Children—Cincinnati were treated to an exclusive first look at the new film "Wonder" on Wednesday, November 15.

The film tells the story of Auggie Pullman, a boy with facial differences from a genetic disorder that prevented him to attend mainstream school until his fifth grade year, and how that year changed him and everyone around him.

More than 100
guests, including
patients and their
families, staff members and other hospital stakeholders,
attended the screening, which opens to
the public on November 17. Guests
received special
movie mementos,
including tee shirts and posters
which depict the film's message:

"Choose kind".

"Our families are very familiar with dealing with situations like

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Auggie's," said hospital Director of Marketing Mashayla Colwell, whose department made the screening possible. "We wanted them to see this special film in a setting that would remind them that they are heroes, too."







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#### January 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 HAPPY NEW YEAR!	2	3 Mansfield-Ashland SC Band	4	5	6 Tadmor Installation of Officers
7 Monthly NEWSLETTER Deadline	8 Trumbull SC	9 Divan & Board of Directors	10 Lakewood SC Band	11 Korvettes Mariners LOSNA – Kheedawee Court	12	13 Al Koran Installation of Officers
14	<b>15</b> Al Koran Business Meeting Al Koran Trustees Meeting	16	17 Fairview SC Massillon SC Band	18 Eagle SC Youngstown SC	Lorain SC Southwest SC	20 Shriner's East- West Football @Tadmor
21	22 <sub>Cleveland Clowns</sub> Transportation Krazy Kops	23	Bay SC Hillbilly Clan Band	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	January 20th - Shriners East/West Football game Party - Joint venture with Tadmor Shriners. At Tadmor Shrine - Doors open at 1:00 with Game and Staek Dinner begining 3:00. Call Al Koran Office for more details and reservation by January 18th.		

#### February 2018

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11	12 Trumbull SC	13 Divan & Board of Directors	14 Lakewood SC Band	15 Eagle SC Youngstown SC	16 Lorain SC Southwest SC	17



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