

# Contributions from work... and fun!



Illustrious Sir Mike Davison accepts checks from Mansfield's Mike Miranda, High Priest & Prophet and Bru Lewis, Oriental Guide and founder of Young Guns. Proceeds from last 2020 Golf Outing, Mansfield Kentucky Derby Party and First Annual Luau. A big Thank You!

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### From the Potentate



Il Sir Michael Davison

Greetings Nobles, Ladies and Friends,

As I write this we are having a severe snow storm. The warnings were so abundant I even cancelled tonight's business meeting. I did not want any of our members on the roads in those conditions. Your health and safety is my concern.

The Hillbilly chili cookoff has been rescheduled to October 3rd.

The GLSA Salmon derby is still on. The dates for this year's Derby are May 13, 14, 15. Contact

Illustrious Jack Conner. This Derby is a lot of fun.

We are planning on a ceremonial for new members on June 5th. This is along with Tadmor Shriners at their Shrine Center. Imagine two ceremonial casts with a lot of fun included. We are hoping to end the evening with a dinner show. Let's take this event back some years to when we had a lot of candidates and a lot of fun.

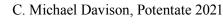
Mark your calendars for October 9th for our Potentates Ball. More information to come.

Our Treasurer Noble Jay Flack would like me to remind the Clubs and Units to get their Financial Reports in to him. He need to get his report to Corporate inTampa.

Nobles and Ladies, Please stay safe. I need each of you.

Thank you for allowing me to be your Potentate.

Remember, The smile of a Child makes it all worthwhile!!!



# Official Call of the Potentate

Michael Davison, Illustrious Potentate Thomas Klecan, Recorder

The next regular monthly Business meeting is **March 15, 2021** to be held at Berea Masonic Center (Quarry Lodge). 366 Eastland Road, Berea at **7:00 PM**. You will be notified by email should the Covid Virus change our plans. No dinner will be served.



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# ·-· Calendar of Events

	March					
S	Μ	Т	W	Т	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

March 8 - BOD Meeting

March 15 - Monthly Business Meeting

Happy St. Patrick's Day & Have a Blessed Easter

# Paper Deadline!

For those of you that submit materials for the Al Koran News: I need your letters, ads and photos in a timely manner, so that I can assemble the newsletter with enough time for artwork, layout, printing & mailing. **Deadline is 2nd Wednesday each month.** *Thank You Roger Neff P.P., Editor & Publisher* 

### - Mariners Log

#### BOB STANLEY, MSA

I start this Mariners Log on a very sad note. On Friday, January 8, our Emil Arvidson crossed over the bar and took his final voyage to meet the Grand Architect of the Universe. Emil was the Mariner's Sunshine Chairman for more years that anyone could remember. Emil was always there to help every Commodore "What do you need and how can I help". He is now reunited with his lovely first mate Betty in the Port of Heaven. He exemplifies what every Shrine should be. Emil, God bless you, we will miss you!

Are you exhausted with the Winter Covid-19 doldrums? Are you tired of watching endless reruns on cable or television? Then you might check out the finals of the 2021 American Cup Races. They will commence on March 6 thru March 21. The defending American Cup Champion New Zealand will face either the semi-final winner between Italy and Great Britain. These are the fast action sail boat races. The boats are America's Cup AC75, a 75-foot foiling monohull with 11 crew members. They can reach speeds of more than 60 mph. NBCSN broadcast these races usually at 2100 hours to 2300 hours EST. This is 1500 hours New Zealand Time, the next day. This accounts for the 18 hour time difference from EST to New Zealand Time. So if you want to see fast action sailing, check it out. It sure beats watching reruns.

As of this writing, Ground Hog Day, I can report that sick day is empty and all is healthy. Don't forget to get your Covid-19 vaccine. Hang in there, Spring is right around the corner.

With Winter still upon us, why not make plans to attend the Hillbillies famous chili cook-off. It will be at the Berea Masonic Hall on Saturday, March 6. With the end of winter in sight we will all welcome some delicious, spicy, tasty hot chili to warm our souls.

The March Business meeting of Al Koran Shrine will be held on March 15. The location will be in the official call of the Potentate in the March's Al Koran Magazine on page 2.

To all the Al Koran Shriners and their ladies, the Mariners and our ladies wish you a Happy St. Patrick's Day.

God's Speed

# = Lakewood Shrine Club

Unfortunately, but for everyone's well-being the Lakewood Shrine Club, like most Clubs and Units remains "Dark" due to the Covid virus. When we get going again we will meet the second Wednesday of the month at the Cleveland Yacht Club for great friendship, food and entertainment. At Past Potentate Ronn Murphy's sugestion several months ago, and withourt serious objection, the 2020 Leadership Team of the Club will remain in place for 2021. We look forward to a "Safer" day and the opportunity to again be together.



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### From the Recorder

Greetings Nobles,

I must say that the Recorder's job is more interesting than I thought it would be. There is quite a bit to do, so if you have tried to contact me but haven't heard back from me, I promise I will get around to you.

First thanks to all of you who have paid your dues, and a gentle reminder to those who have not. If you are struggling to pay your dues, please call me at (440) 520-8101, or call the office and ask for the recorder. There are a few programs that we have initiated in order to help you. If you are on a fixed income, or in distress because of the current health situation, we may be able to help. You can also reach me via e-mail at klecantom@hotmail.com, I check my email daily.

Things are also moving a bit slowly because of the postal delays from the Christmas period. Believe it or not we are still receiving items from November and December. Also, we have changed or address, not our physical location, but just our address. The new address is Al Koran Shriners P.O. Box 81184, Cleveland, Ohio 44181. As for our physical location we will be remaining at our offices at near the Brecksville Masonic Temple for the near future, but we will be conducting our Business meeting at the Berea Masonic Temple.

I have been compiling a list on nonpaying members and will be contacting them. As I have said we have an assistance program available, but we need to hear from you. If you know of a Noble who may be struggling to pay their dues please let us know, we may be able to help.

Also, should you have any sunshine or welfare about any of our Nobles or their family please send it to me so we may share it with the rest of the Nobility.

Plans are already underway for the Imperial Session, July 4 through July 8 on Houston, Texas, as well as some of our more local events such as GLSA. Here is hoping we get back to a more normal routine where we can travel and socialize with the rest of our fellow Shriners.

Tom Klecan PP Recorder, Al Koran Shriners

### – In Memorium

Richard L. Snyder

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**Rollin E. Alexander** 

Billy F. Wilson

**Harry Westlake** 

# January 2021 Membership

January 1st	943 Regular	6 Associates		
Creations	20	0		
Restorations	0	0		
Demits	0	0		
Deaths	4	0		
Suspensions	24	0		
Resignations	0	0		
January 31	935 Regular	6 Associates		
Total Membership as of January 31, 2021 935 Nobles				

### **Donations**

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> In Memory of Leroy P. Williams

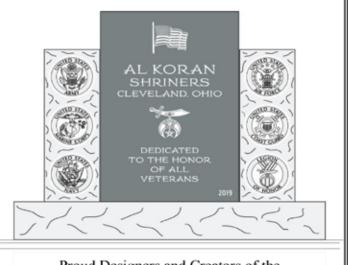
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# Legion of Honor

Let's hope we can begin travel and attending meetings this year once the virus is contained and travel restrictions are lifted. Unfortunately, events we would have attended have been canceled through March and may be in April as well. Al Koran's LOH Veterans Memorial Monument dedication ceremony will be scheduled for the last half of this year assuming the virus is contained. Once we have a schedule confirmed invitations will be sent.

We plan to attend GLSA LOH Commander Ryan Mendenhall's 2021 GLSA 46th Annual convention August 25th - 29th. At the Wyndham Springfield City Center, 700 East Adams Street Springfield, IL 62701. More information is on the ialoh.org website under associations where you will find GLSA and there will be Commander Ryan Mendenhall's letter, agenda, registration form and hotel reservation information.

We are planning the IALOH 41st Annual Arlington Wreath Laying event and ceremony for November 4 - 6. The actual wreath laying ceremony will be Saturday, November 6 at 11AM. The hotel location is DoubleTree by Hilton Washington DC - Crystal City. Registration and hotel information can be obtained from me: wangstrom@ angstromgraphics.com, 305-609-3376; or is available on IALOH website.

Please ask a Brother Mason to become a Shriner! When clubs and units begin to meet again invite a brother Mason to your function. Check out beashrinernow.com website and help your candidates submit their petitions. If I can be of service please ask.

Wayne R Angstrom Al Koran LOH Commander, GLSA 1st Lt Commander, IALOH Lt Commander, Veteran of the USMC

### Al Koran Boosters -

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### Drivers Corner

Roger Calkins and Roger Neff P.P. continue to do several Patient trips a month. Protocols in place ... materials available... *Drivers needed*.





### WELCOME !!! New Shrine Masons...

Benjamin Barnes - East Palestine, OH Jason Best - Poland, OH Joseph Buchanan - Austintown, OH William Clark III - Youngstown, OH Ryan Cresanto - Rogers, OH Timothy Fenton - Vermillion, OH James Hall - East Palestine, OH James Henry - Cleveland, OH Levi Hively - Salem, OH Chet Kijowski - Poland, OH Jayson McRitchie - Northfield, OH Nathan Modie - Parma Hts., OH Daniel Mossop - Brecksville, OH Joseph Raschilla - Niles, OH Paul Samsa - Strasburg, OH Daniel Sivertson - Parma, OH Gregory Smith, Jr. - Boardman, OH Gregory Spayde - Lexington, OH Chad Tibbits - Middleburg Hts., OH Paul Villani - Poland, OH Scott Zartman - Mansfield, OH

Welcome!

Krazy Kops



The Krazy Kops have various social events and we march in several parades throughout the year. We meet the 4th Monday of the month for dinner at 6:00 P.M. at **Teamz Restaurant** - 6611 Eastland Rd, Middleburg Heights, OH.

For information about our activities contact: PD Tom Klecan (440) 520-8101 or PD Mike Spisak (216) 225-0703.

