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2025 Al Koran Shrine

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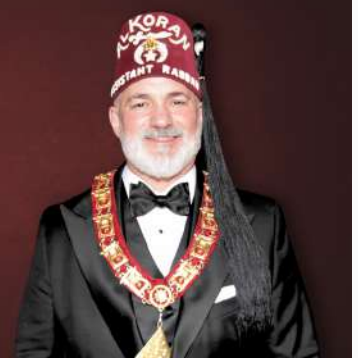
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2025 Al Koran Shrine

Appointed Officers & Board of Trustees

2025 Appointed Officers



Frank McEvoy
Captain of the Guard



Bill Kemp
Outer Guard



Ronn Murphy PP
Chaplain



Dave Stelmach
Marshal



Al Paynter PP
Ceremonial Director



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2025 Board of Trustees



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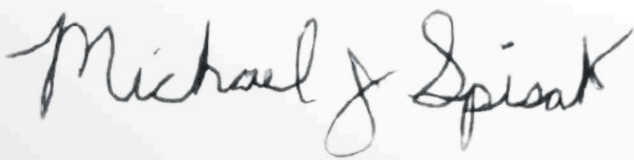
A Message from our 2025 Potentate

Greetings Nobles!

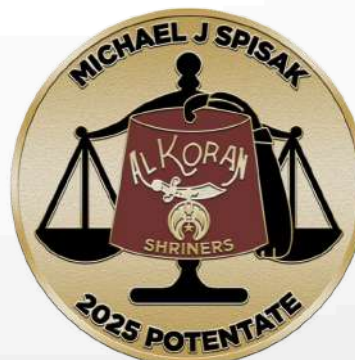
I have had the opportunity this past month to travel to **Mansfield Shrine Club** on March 6th. Their leaders are to be commended for their active calendar of parades and events. I visited the **Hunters** on March 10th. They are planning a busy parade season as well as some fishing trips. I was then fortunate enough to participate in the Cleveland St. Patrick's Day parade with the **Krazy Kops**. This parade always marks the unofficial start of Spring, and we were fortunate enough to have a sunny and relatively warm day. My upcoming travels will include the **BS Unit** on March 23rd, the **Mariners** on March 25th.

Everywhere I travel I am reminded of an old proverb that "if you want to get something done, ask a busy man to do it." I can think of no better example of this than our current Divan members, officers, and Shrine leaders. Back in "the ole days" it would have been highly unusual for a person to be an officer in Scottish Rite AND York Rite or Scottish Rite AND Shrine, etc. Each of those organizations had so many good men with great leadership characteristics, that in order for a man to progress through a leadership line, he almost had to declare himself "A Shrine Mason" or "A Scottish Rite Mason," and choose but one leadership path. Each of our various appendant Masonic organizations vied for the time and attention of good leaders. Manpower, money, and leadership were abundant.

As our numbers have dwindled, so have the number of men who have the time, talent, and desire to become Masonic leaders. Al Koran is no exception to this modern day reality. We have started to "borrow" men with proven track records as leaders in other organizations and we have asked them to lend what time and talent they can spare to Al Koran. These men are excellent leaders, time managers, event planners, and ritualists. We are fortunate that they are willing to sacrifice even more time away from their families because they too believe in the cause of Shrine Masonry. I say hats off and "thank you" to any Noble who is willing to make sacrifices in other areas of his life in order to be of service to Shrine Masonry and the Shiners Hospitals for Children. Thank you – all of you – for whatever effort you are able to make, because it makes a difference.



Michael J. Spisak, Sr.
2025 Potentate



Words from our Recorder

Now that winter is over, at least I hope it is over, let's do what Shriners are supposed to do.

Have some Fun and Fellowship!

There are quite a few events upcoming, and I have noticed that the Clubs and Units are also doing a lot, so check in with your local club or unit and see what they are up to. You never know you might just enjoy yourself.

Speaking of Clubs and Unit, if you have not paid your dues, I have notified them of that, and you will not be able to partake in the Fun and Fellowship, until you have paid your Al Koran dues.

To our members having difficulties with paying their dues, please contact me, my number and email are listed below. I am sure we can find a solution and keep you a member.

Welfare. I am the one who reports on the welfare of our members, those I know well and see often are reported on regularly, however, I could use your help reporting on the members I do not see very often. Send your information to one of the contact numbers listed below, email is preferred.

We will be selling onions again and we will be continuing with the sportsman's raffle. We plan to feature our onions at the May Business meeting. So stay tuned.

Enjoy the warmer weather.

You can reach me by e-mail at klecantom@hotmail.com, clevelandshriners@gmail.com, or call the office 440- 546-9866 and select #1 Recorder.

Tom Klecan PP

Recorder, Al Koran Shriners



Nobles Lost to the Black Camel February 2025

Noble Elmer E. Croushore, Jr.

Noble Jay E. Jones

Noble Robert J. Kasper

Noble Ronald J Kirkcaldy

Noble John E. Kohler

Noble James A. Nulf

Noble Jack U. Obert, Jr.

Noble William Yankovich

*Reports are posed as received
Not necessarily in chronological order.*

Membership Update: As of February 28th

February	734 Members	5 Associates
Creations	3	0
Restorations	1	0
Affiliations	0	0
Demits	2	0
Suspensions	0	0
Resignations	1	0
Deaths	0	0
February 28th	727 Members	5 Associates

Total Membership: 732 Nobles



Al Koran Shrine

April & May Calendar

April 2025

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

		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		

April Events:

2nd - Lorain County Shrine + Fire Brigade Meeting
7th - Mid-Ohio Shrine Club Meeting
10th - Lakewood Shrine Club Dinner
11th & 12th - Ohio Shrine Meeting & Ceremonial
14th - BOD Meeting + Hunter's Meeting
16th - Massillon Shrine Club Meeting
17th - Youngstown SC Meeting
21st - Al Koran Stated Meeting
23rd - Hillbillies Dinner
27th - Mariner's Brunch Cruise on Lady Caroline
27th - Hunter's Parade in Chardon
28th - Krazy Kops Meeting + LOH Meeting

Official Call of the Potentate

Our Stated Meeting will be on **April 21st** at the **Berea Masonic Center** at **7:00 pm**
366 Eastland Road Berea, OH 44017

May 2025

May Events:

3rd - Massillon Shrine Club Golf Extravaganza
5th - Mid-Ohio Shrine Club Meeting
12th - BOD Meeting + Hunter's Meeting
14th - Lakewood Shrine Club Meeting
15th - Youngstown Shrine Club Meeting
17th - Mid-Ohio Shrine Club Mansfield Chili Cook Off
18th - BS Unit Gathering
19th - Al Koran Stated Meeting
21st - Massillon Shrine Club Meeting
25th - Krazy Kops Parade at Chagrin Falls
26th - Krazy Kops Meeting + LOH Meeting
31st - Potentate's Ball

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Announcements

Donations In Memory Of:

Thank you to those individuals who have made donations on behalf of their loves ones.

James & Linda Hill
Andover Senior Center

Tarkett Inc.

Paramuthia Lodge #25 F. & A.M.

Tom & Donna Lindsey

William & Sandra Berglund

Joyce Kane

Stu Shoaff

Brian & Carol Brockway

In Memory of Donald George

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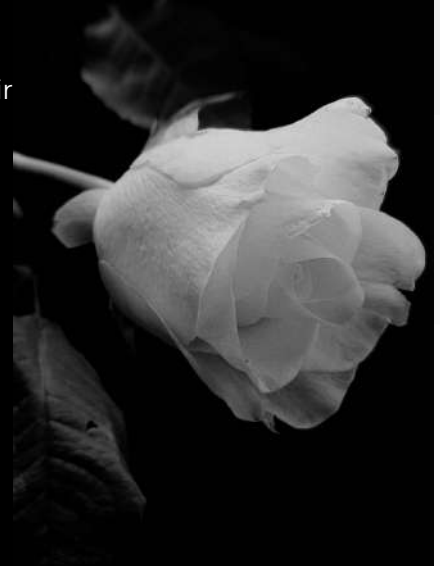
In Memory of John Kohler

In Memory of Ethyl Louis Bendler

In Memory of John Kohler

In Memory of Jay Jones

In Memory of Mary Lawrence



Submissions for the Newsletter

Hello brethren!

As the Clubs & Units are shaking off the cold weather and are starting to have more social events, we would love to feature you in the **Shrine Newsletter!**

This includes:

- Articles on your Club's/Unit's Upcoming Meetings or Events
- Articles on your Club's/Unit's Past Events
- Pictures with descriptions of your Events

In this new digital format, we can add as many pictures, articles, or flyers that we want! So please feel free to send us anything that you want the Al Koran Shrine Newsletter to feature!

Any Submissions for the newsletter are due by the **20th of each month.** This gives us plenty of time for the newsletter to be edited and sent to each of our members.



Brady Woodworth

Newsletter Editor

alkorannnewsletter@gmail.com



Al Koran Shrine

Announcements

From the Recorder - Tom Klecan PP

Using *My FezCard Viewer* on iPhones (iOS 18.1.1)

In August 2024, an update was pushed to iPhone users to install the new iOS 18.0, which updated the operating system and apps installed on the iPhone. Many Nobles experienced issues where the *My FezCard Viewer* app would not load properly; the phone often displayed a “blank” or “white” screen instead of the usual digital membership card. With the release of iOS 18.0.1, the issue was resolved – with a specific caveat. Now, Nobles will need to rotate their phones to “landscape orientation” for the digital membership card to load. ***And, with the release of iOS 18.1.1, an additional point was made, that the users should rotate their phones such that the line on the screen is at the TOP of the screen.*** Doing so will force-load the digital card.

If you are an iPhone user, are using the latest iOS version and are still experiencing issues, please follow the instructions below.

- 1) **If you encounter a white, or “blank” screen, rotate the phone to position the line at the top of the screen.**

If this does not display the digital card”

- 1) Uninstall *My FezCard Viewer* from your phone, and reinstall it through the Apple Store (to ensure that you have the latest/most up-to-date version available).
- 2) Register, using your Shrine ID (not your Member Number), your Last Name and your Temple of **primary** membership (not Associate).
- 3) Click “Register.”
- 4) Rotate your phone, per above.



Should you continue to experience problems with *My FezCard Viewer*, please submit a support ticket for assistance, by visiting the “Support” tab in WebFez (Create New Incident), emailing webfezfeedback@shrinenet.org or calling our IS Support Help Desk at (844) 674-6266.

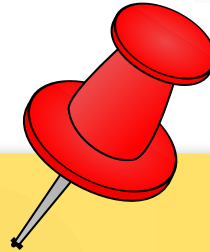
For Questions about using *My FezCard Viewer* or how to download your Membership card, please contact **Tom Klecan, Recorder.**



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From the Recorder - Tom Klecan PP



I would like to thank all of the 677 of you who have paid your 2025 dues. Thank you very much.

Are you one of my 50 delinquent members?

If you are having health issues and/or financial restraints, please call and we will see what we can do for you. Senior members can have their dues remitted or reduced by request and approval of the Board of Directors. Please, call the office. 440-546-9866, and ask for the Recorder. If I am unavailable leave a message and I will get right back with you. If you are one of the 50 delinquent members, the officers of the clubs and units have been notified, and you will not be able to participate in any of the activities until your Al Koran dues are paid.



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**AL KORAN
SHRINERS**
SERVING NORTHEAST OHIO

FUNDRAISER

Big Sweet Vidalia Onions

\$15 / 10 lb. Bag

Order through your local Club or
Unit by **April 15th**



Al Koran Shrine

Clubs & Units

Officers, Dues, Meetings,
Articles, Pictures





Al Koran Shrine

Units



BS Unit - (Bourbon & Stogies)

Officers:

El Presidente: Brandon Gould
bmgould@live.com

Humidor: Mike Spisak
mjispisak@gmail.com

Meetings & Events:

Meet Sunday Afternoons at 1:00 pm at Havana's Choice or homes of various members for Spirits & Cigars

Dues:

\$25 / year

Stag - Casual



Krazy Kops

Officers:

Director: Mike Fekete
mwfekete@gmail.com

Secretary: Mike Spisak
Treasurer: Dan Andrews

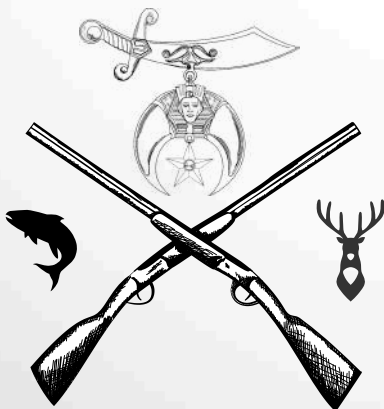
Meetings & Events:

Parade Unit with 10 parades a year, monthly meetings the Fourth Mondays at Teamz at 6:00 pm

Dues:

\$50 / year
Associate Dues: \$25
(Masons that aren't Shriners, relatives)

Stag - Casual



Hunters

Officers:

Chief: Dan Andrews
dandrews216@gmail.com

Meetings & Events:

Various Events throughout the year, Meetings on the 2nd Mondays of the month at the Al Koran Office at 7:00 pm

Dues:

\$15 / year

Stag - Casual



Al Koran Shrine

Units



Legion of Honor

Officers:

Commander: Frank McEvoy
frankmcevoy1964@gmail.com

Adjutant: Jack Conner PP
Quartermaster: Lee Pilous
Chaplain: Lou Frow

Meetings & Events:

Parades and various events during the year, with Meetings on the Fourth Mondays at St Matthews Church

Dues:

\$10 / year (Veterans)
Associate Dues: \$10 / year
(Non-Veterans)

Stag - Casual

Dark in: Sept. & Dec.

<http://www.ialoh.org/home.html>



Lorain Shrine & Fire Brigade

Officers:

Director: Scott Croxford
scott_croxford@hotmail.com

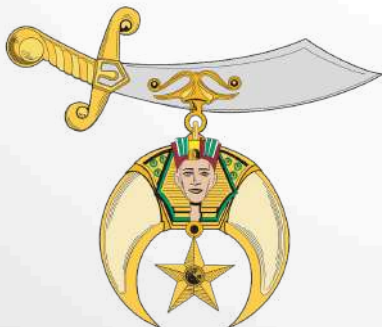
Secretary: Randy Radcliffe
Treasurer: Mike Moorman

Meetings & Events:

Parades and various events during the year, with Meetings on the First Wednesdays at the Avon Lake Temple

Dues:

\$20 / year

Stag - Casual

Korvettes

Officers:

Secretary: Mike Davison PP
mikedavison123@aol.com

Meetings & Events:

Contact us for
more information

Want to join the Korvettes?
Contact us to get started!



Al Koran Shrine

Clubs



Hillbilly Crooked River Clan #16

Officers:

Raban of the Clan & Keeper of the Stil: Ronn Murphy PP
murphyrm2361@gmail.com

Keeper of the Cob: Al Paynter PP
Keeper of the Quill: Frank McEvoy

Meetings & Events:

Various Dinners during the year, with Meetings on the Fourth Wednesdays at St Matthews Church at 6:00 pm for a Potluck Dinner

Dues:

\$30 for Life Membership

Dark in: Nov. & Dec.

Ladies Welcome - Casual

<https://internationalshrinehillbillies.com/>



Youngstown Shrine Club

Officers:

President: Joe Humenick
1st VP: Ryan Cresanto
2nd VP: Barry Weigle

Secretary: Jim Hazlett
Treasurer: Al York PP

Meetings & Events:

Various events during the year, with Meetings on the Third Thursdays at the Youngstown Shrine Club

Dues:

\$35 / year

Dark in: Jan. & Feb.

Stag - Coat & Tie (winter)
Casual (Summer)

Mariners

Officers:

Commodore: Frank McEvoy
Vice Commodore: Robert Kolar PC
Rear Commodore: Robert Frankel
Treasurer: James Dettmer
Secretary: Bob Stanley PC, PIC

Directors:

Ronn Murphy PP, PC, PIC
Bob Stanley PC, PIC
Mark Cain PC

**Meetings & Events:**

Various events during the year, with Meetings on the Third Tuesdays at various Cleveland Yacht Clubs at 6:00 pm.

Dues:

\$35 / year

Ladies welcome - Casual

<https://www.iasyc.club/>



Al Koran Shrine Clubs

Mansfield Shrine Club



Officers:

President: Bruce Joseph
jofotohio@aol.com

Secretary: Jerry Gundrum

Meetings & Events:

Various events during the year, with Meetings on the First Thursdays at the Baku Grotto. **Ladies Welcome - Casual**

Dues:

\$10 / year

Dark in: February

Lakewood Shrine Club



Officers:

President: Brandon Gould
bmgould@live.com
1st VP: Jim Cain

2nd VP: Parker Reynolds Jr

Secretary: Bob Berteau

Treasurer: William Schulz

Meetings & Events:

Monthly Dinner Meetings 2nd Wednesdays at various restaurants

Ladies Welcome - Coat & Tie

Dues:

\$50 / year

Massillon Shrine Club



Officers:

President: Paul Samsa
prez@massillonshriners.org

1st VP: Joe Weisgarber

2nd VP: Don Harwig

Treasurer: Jim Henderson

Secretary: Bill Kemp

Meetings & Events:

Various events during the year, with Meetings on the Third Wednesdays at the Massillon Masonic Center at 6:00 pm.

Ladies welcome - Casual

Dues:

FREE

Dark in: July & August.

Mid-Ohio Shrine Club



President: Mike Miranda
Vice President: Mike Seveigny
2nd VP: Jason Rupp
Secretary: Jerry Snay
Treasurer: Bill Bragg
Chaplain: Scott Zartman

Shrine Ambassador: Terry Hamilton PP

Trustee: Brandon Minor

Trustee: Richard Snay

Trustee: Joe Wuitowicz

Masonic Ambassador: Jason Brake

OES Ambassador: Kashawn Hawkins

Meetings & Events:

Various events during the year, with Meetings on the First Mondays at Old Bag of Nails Restaurant at 6:00 pm.

Stag - Casual

Dues:

\$25 / year



Al Koran Shrine

Club/Unit Articles

Krazy Kops

Greetings Kops-

We had a great turnout for the St Patrick's Day Parade in downtown Cleveland to kick off the season. I'm looking forward to the next parade which is on Sunday May 25th in Chagrin Falls. Many would say that this is the parade to attend so if you are interested, please let me know.



We are always looking for new members to join our merry band, so if you are interested in coming out and parading (even if you just want to ride in the paddy wagon during the parade) send me a note or give me a call. Or better yet come on out to our April meeting. It will be on April 28th at 6PM at Teamz located at 6611 Eastland Road in Middleburg Hts.

Come on out and join the fun and fellowship!

If you haven't been receiving emails from me or if you are interested in joining our Merry Band of Misfits, please contact me at fekete8@icloud.com or by phone at 440-225-9178.

Fraternally,
Mike Fekete, Director

"Mom, I'm on TV!!"

We made it on the news! Check out the live streamed video for Channel 3 & Channel 19 of the Downtown Cleveland St. Patrick's Day Parade to see what shenanigans our Krazy Kops got into!

Channel 3 WKYC

https://www.youtube.com/live/kVJfLCJpCR0si=wJDgHE_cSowWjH7y

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Tap/Click on this box to view the Live Stream!



Channel 19

<https://www.cleveland19.com/video/2025/03/17/clevelands-183rd-st-patricks-day-parade/>

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Tap/Click on this box to view the Live Stream!





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Club/Unit Articles

Krazy Kops

Great way to kickoff the 2025 Krazy Kops year!





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Club/Unit Articles

Krazy Kops

Pictures of the Krazy Kops at the Downtown Cleveland St. Patrick's Day Parade.





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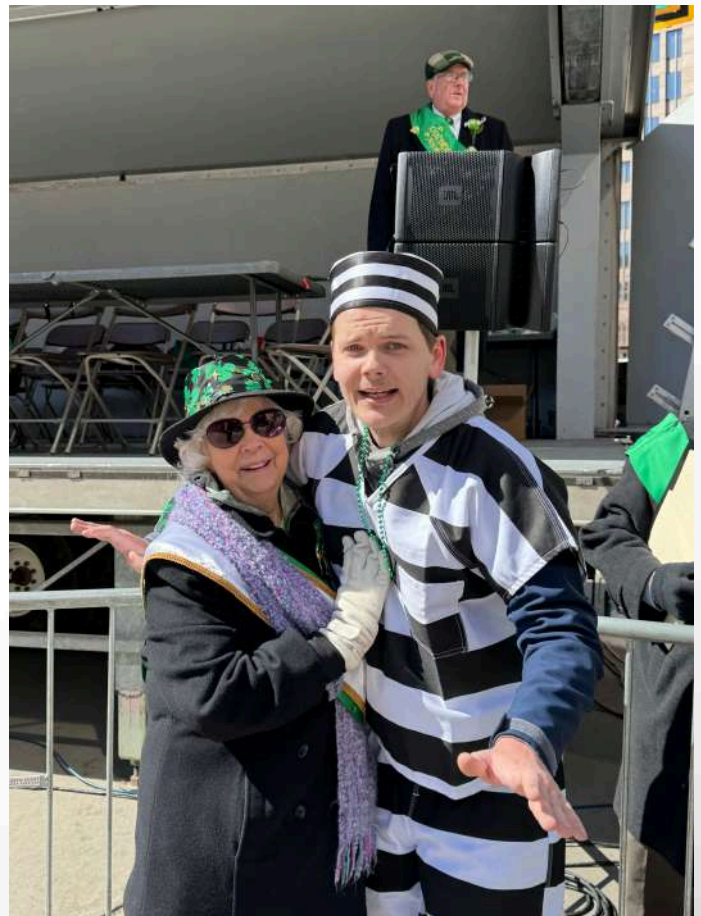


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Krazy Kops

Pictures of the Krazy Kops at the Downtown Cleveland St. Patrick's Day Parade.





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Pictures of the Krazy Kops at the Downtown Cleveland St. Patrick's Day Parade.





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Club/Unit Articles

Mariners

Mariner's Log

By Bob Stanley MSA

Well, April is here. The hours of daylight are longer. Our Lake is ice free. The flowers are beginning to bloom. The song birds have flown back to the lakeside. Our winter snow bird Mariners are arriving back from Florida to their homes on the south shore of Lake Erie. Our boats are being prepared for their 2025 Summer voyages. Isn't Spring beautiful?

Congratulations goes out to our Commodore Frank McEvoy P.M. who was elected Fleet Captain of the International Association of Shrine Yacht Clubs. He will be installed at this year's Imperial Session held during the Summer in Atlanta, GA.

Yes, Virginia, Vidalia Onions will be available to sell. As our late great P/C Bill Collins would say, "We are not going to gouge you for a ten-pound bag of those tasty little devils." A ten-pound bag of onions remains \$15.00, the same price as in 2024. This is a major fundraiser for Al Koran, which helps our Shrine from having to raise our dues.

Sunshine Chairman P.C. John Baker has informed me as of this writing, March 4, that sick bay is empty. That is great news with the arrival of warm temperatures that we have been waiting for. There is still time to recruit your Masonic Brothers who are not members of Al Koran Shrine. The statewide ceremonial will be held on April 12 during the Ohio Shrine Association meeting in Columbus. In addition to the Hot Sands Ceremony. Al Koran Past Potentate, Ronn Murphy, will be installed as 1st Vice President of the Ohio Shrine Association.

The April Business Meeting of Al Koran Shrine will be held on Monday, April 21. The location will be in the official call of the Potentate in the April Al Koran Magazine on page 2.

Mark your calendar for the Mariners 2025 Brunch Cruise on Sunday, April 27. The Mariners along with the Al Koran Shrine and the I.O.S.N.A. will be joining the International Order of the Blue Gavel (I.O.B.G.) for a Welcome Spring Brunch Cruise on the Lady Caraline. We will be boarding at 1230 hours with the cruise along Cleveland's shoreline commencing from 1300 hours to 1530 hours.

For information concerning membership or activities of the Al Koran Mariners Yacht Club, please contact Commodore Frank McEvoy P.M. at 614-377-1192.

The Mariners and our ladies wish the Al Koran Shriners and their ladies a Blessed Easter and Passover. Remember, your place as a Shriner has made you a Guardian Angel of those children who need our help.

God's Speed



Al Koran Shrine

Club/Unit Articles

Mariners



Photos from the Mariner's Meeting on March 26th at Lakeside Yacht Club





Al Koran Shrine

Club/Unit Articles

Hillbillies

This was the second year that the Hillbillies joined the Irish /American Club for a Pre St, Patrick's Day kick of dinner. When the club starts to celebrate St. Patrick's Day they start early. We joined them on March 2nd and they have events thru till the 17th of March. They cut the attendance off at 500 and there were that many that showed up. The serving of the buffet dinner starts at 1PM and goes till 5PM followed by live music till 9:30PM. The Dancers ages were from 5 and up to adult and more likely were Pros. Besides the dancers there were bagpipers and bands for entertainment. All and all, those that attended, had a good time ended by a few that enjoyed a mug of Genesis dark beer.



We finally held our Installation of Officer on February 26th . After being dark for two months and not meeting in January due to weather conditions, we did it. Our Potentate Michael Spisak officiated with Assistant Raban James Barone Assisted and Russ Arndt as Chaplin. Ill Ronn Murphy took the offices of Raban of the Clan and Keeper of the Stil while Ill Al Paynter hold s Keeper of the Cob and Frank McEvoy is Keeper of the Quill.

We are still meeting at St. Mathews Episcopal Church, at 9547 Highland Dr. Brecksville Ohio. We gather at about 5:30PM with a potluck at 6:30 and meeting to follow.

**Pictures of our
two past Events
on the next three
Pages**





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Hillbillies

Photos from the Irish/American Club St. Patricks Day Dinner





Al Koran Shrine

Club/Unit Articles

Hillbillies

Photos from the Hillbillies Installation on February 28th



Outgoing Rabban of the Clan and Keeper of Stil, Russ Arndt sharing his thoughts prior to installation.



The Installation Team (Assistant Rabban, Jim Barone, Illustrious Sir, Mike Spisak, and Outgoing Rabban of the Clan and Keeper of Stil, Russ Arndt.



Clan #16 elected officers (L to R): Keeper of the Quill, Frank McEvoy, Keeper of the Cobb, Illustrious Sir, Al Paynter and Rabban of the Clan & Keeper of the Stil, Illustrious Sir, Ron Murphy



Assistant Rabban Jim Barone found his best voice to go with his 25 extra pounds to assist in this year's installation.





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Club/Unit Articles

Hillbillies

Photos from the Hillbillies Installation on February 28th



Lady Linda Paynter crowns Keeper of the Cobb, Illustrious Sir, Al Paynter. Awwww!!!!



2024 Rabban of the Clan and Keeper of Stil Russ Arndt passing authority to Illustrious Sir, Ron Murphy



Lady Linda Paynter graciously crowning the Rabban of the Clan & Keeper of the Stil, Illustrious Sir, Ron Murphy



Smile, Illustrious Sir!



Al Koran Shrine

Club/Unit Articles

Massillon Shrine Club

MASSILLON SHRINE CLUBE'S

GOLF EXTRAVAGANZA

MAY 3,2025

Spring is here and the weather is warming up. It's time to shine up those golf clubs and polish up your balls. Make your reservations to play a beautiful course, The Lyons Den. We'll start at 8:00 AM with a shotgun start. This four-person scramble (ladies welcome) costs \$85 per person or \$340 per team and includes 18 holes of golf, ½ cart, prizes, lunch, dinner after golf and beverages. If you have any questions, you can contact Paul Samsa by phone (330) 878-7183 or drop him an email at Samsaps@Bright.net.

Wait, you say you don't golf. You can be a Sponsor. For the low cost of \$25.00 or as much as you would like to donate a sign will be placed on the first Tee with your information (submit a business card or other information for the sign content). **All sponsor fees go to The Al Koran Transportation Fund and are TAX DEDUCTIBLE**

See the entry form for more information. Please make your reservations before April 28, 2025.

**REMEMBER IT NEVER RAINS ON THE GOLF
COURSE!**

Massillon Shrine Club Golf Extravaganza

Saturday May 3, 2025
Lyons Den Golf Club

6347 Manchester Ave NW, Canal Fulton, OH 44614 (Rt. 93, 100 yards south of the Rt. 21 overpass)

4 Person Scramble

Shotgun Start at 8:00 am

\$85.00 Per Person

Includes: 18 holes of golf, 1/2 cart,
Prizes, Lunch, Dinner
After Golf And Beverages!

Please make your reservations before April 28th
A Good Time Will Certainly Be Had By All!

Complete The Form Below And Return With Your Payment

Golfer Registration

Captains Name: _____		Phone: _____	
Address: _____		EMail: _____	
City: _____	State: _____	Zip: _____	
Total Golfing Fees Remitted: _____			

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Please Make Golf Checks Payable to: Massillon Shrine Club

Sponsor Registration

\$25.00 or More - (A Sponsor Sign will be Posted on the First Tee Box)

Sponsor Contributions are Tax Deductible

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Questions?

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Golf Outing Proceeds Fund Club Operations - All Sponsor Fees go to Al Koran Hospital Transportation Fund

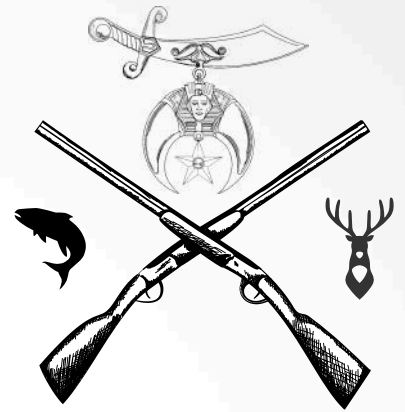


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Club/Unit Articles

Hunters

The Hunters are getting ready for the parade season and there is some work to be done on the Trolly Trailer this spring. There was talk at the last meeting in March on joining the Chardon, Ohio parade. At the time we did not have the date. So, we will be sending out an email to the member on date and time. We are hoping to get the members active in parades this year or what do we do with the Trailer.



In the last couple of years we helped at the Kids fishing Day held at the Western Masonic Community Center in Madina. Last year our Chief and his son took the Trolly Trailer to this event. This was a show of support of not just the community, but supporting kids, outside sports and visual sighting Al Koran Shriners. We have a chance to show our support again this year on May 3rd. Let's get together and continue to show support and that we care on showing the present of Al Koran Shriners.





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Updates



We made the list!

Shriners Children's is thrilled to share that we are number 1 on the Forbes 2025 America's Best Midsize Employers list! This honor reflects our commitment to providing a unique, rewarding work environment, with opportunities for both personal and professional growth.

Being ranked Number 1 on the America's Best Midsize Employers list means that Shriners Children's is tops in our industry category, Healthcare & Social Services, as well.

This new recognition comes on top of the fact that seven of our locations, including Ohio, won a total of 12 Press Ganey Awards in 2024 for the patient experience we provide, plus six locations were acknowledged in the workforce experience categories.



Before and after images show progress, quality of care at Shriners Children's Ohio



Macey was one year old when she sustained a serious burn after putting her hands on her family's wood-burning stove. Macey's mom, Cheyenne, called the injury traumatic, but said our team helped put her and Macey at ease.

Now 4, Macey has undergone three laser procedures and Cheyenne said she is very impressed with how well Macey's hand looks. She called our team "caring, compassionate, and trustworthy." Even better, Cheyenne said Macey is active like any other 4 year old. She loves to swim and play in the water. She also loves animals, and her favorite right now is cats. Cheyenne said Macey is sensitive but also has a "bossy" side and believes Macey will be a strong leader in the future.

As for her future care, Cheyenne said she knows more surgeries may be on the horizon but she trusts Shriners Children's for the best possible outcome.

Patient Ambassador and TV star James returns to clinic

Fresh off the launch of his national TV ad, 12-year-old James stopped by our clinic for a follow-up appointment. James sustained his burn injury in an apartment fire when he was just a baby.

He's been part of the Shriners Children's family ever since and his family credits us with his energetic and positive attitude. James has been an incredible ambassador for Shriners Children's Ohio.



He threw out the first pitch at a Cincinnati Reds game, recorded a cooking safety video with a Weber Grillographer and most recently, starred in a national campaign for Shriners Children's burn care.



If you haven't seen James' commercial, click here to watch it.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XN5AUQCshJI>

12th Annual Telethon Raises over \$28,323

Shriners Children's Erie held its 12th annual telethon on Tuesday, February 18, at the Millcreek Mall and it was an incredible success! Thank you to all the nobles, volunteers and supporters who played a vital role in sharing patient stories and working the phone banks to collect donations and pledges. Your dedication to the Shriners Children's mission made this event truly special.

The telethon is not only a major fundraiser but also a powerful platform to highlight the inspirational stories of care provided to children and families in the Erie community. This year, the event reached an astounding audience of 132,623 people. Thanks to the collective efforts of everyone involved, the telethon surpassed its fundraising goal, raising an impressive \$28,323 — far exceeding the \$25,000 target.

The impact of this event is tremendous and it would not have been possible without the commitment and generosity of supporters. Thank you to those who participated for being a vital part of the mission and helping make a difference in the lives of the children and families Shriners Children's Erie serves.





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Save the Date

Shriners Day 2025



Sunday, June 1, 2025
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Medical center tours
Classic car show
Shriner ceremony
Live entertainment

Join us for our Shriners Day Open House to learn more about the excellent orthopedic care we offer to thousands of children each year, regardless of the families' ability to pay.

Questions? Contact Micheal Widrig at 814-875-8780

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Updates














Shriners International 151st Imperial Session

June 29–July 3
at the Hyatt Regency Atlanta

Things to look forward to include a dance party, brewfest, talent show, pub crawl and parade, in addition to the fraternal business sessions and membership activities. While the event officially begins June 29, activities are set to start on June 27.

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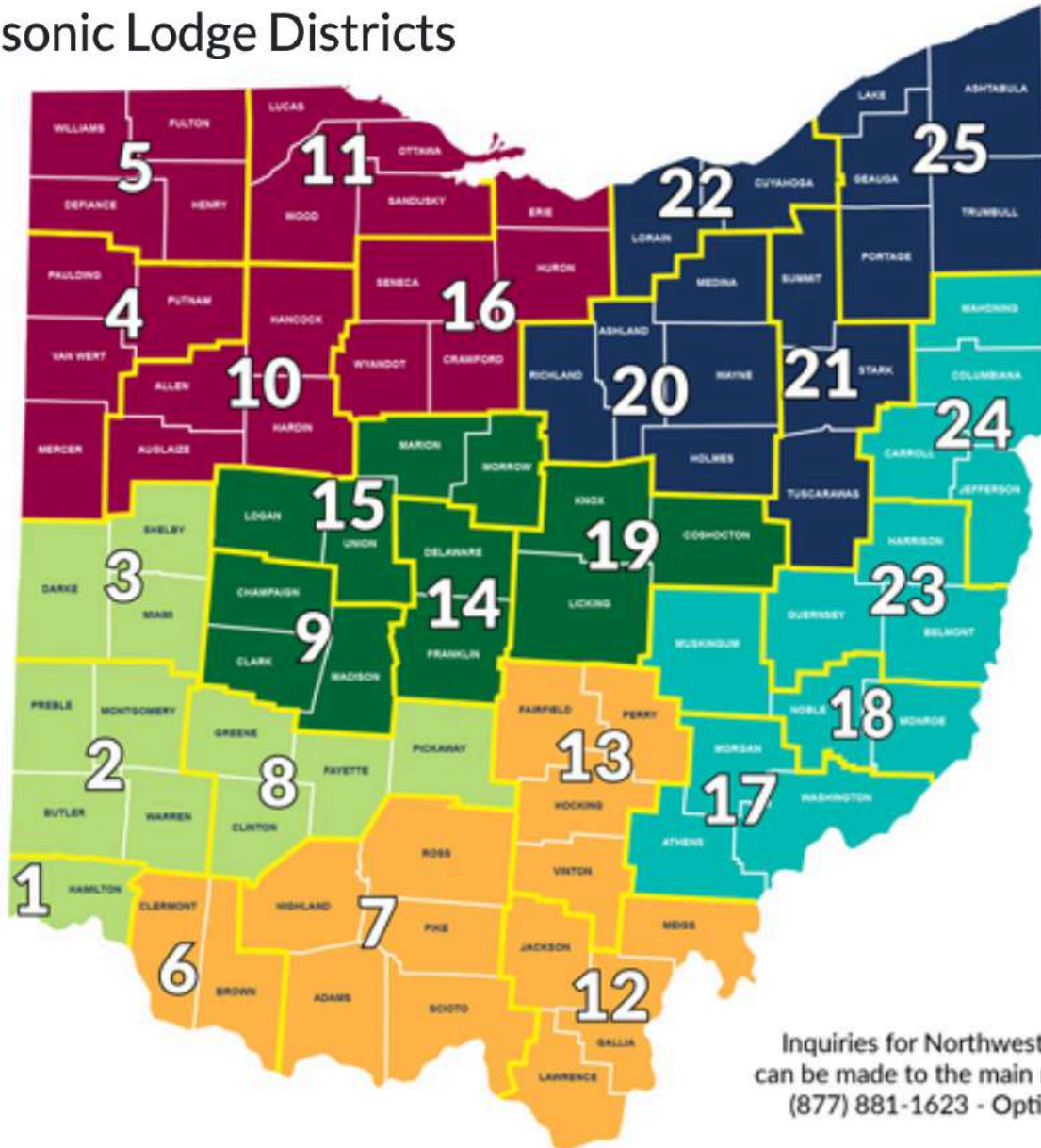


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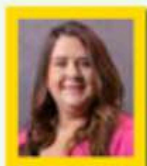


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SUNDAY JULY 13TH, 2025

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GOLF CLUB**

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FORMAT

Scramble

REGISTRATION

8:00 AM

SHOTGUN START

9:00 AM

**All Masonic Bodies are invited to compete for
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\$125.00 / Person

INCLUDES: GOLF & CART, LUNCH,
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DINNER ONLY: \$25.00

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72 GOLFERS

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MAY 31ST, 2025

6:00 PM - 10:30 PM

Theme: Tropical Island Paradise

Cost:

\$60 / person

Location:

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