

Kazim Temple's

Nobility Handbook



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www.shrinervillage.com

For those considering becoming a Shriners:

www.beashrinernow.com



HISTORY OF THE A.A.O.N.M.S.

The Ancient and Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine had its origin, developed from the minds of a fun loving, jovial group of Masons who joined together for lunch at Fowler's Restaurant located in the Knickerbocker Cottage, at 426 Sixth Avenue New York City, New York. The group was part of the "13" craze popular in the mid 1870s. This group would meet for lunch at Fowler's Restaurant at 12:13 PM. each day, and sit at a table with 13 places. Among this lively group of men, were the two women, who became the founders of the Shrine of North America. They were Dr. Walter M. Fleming and William J. Florence both long time friends. Dr. Fleming was born June 13, 1838, in Portland, Maine. While still in medical school, he enlisted in the 1st Calvary of the New York National Guard. He was named surgeon of the unit at the age of 19 years. In August 1861, he was discharged due to a physical disability. He moved to New York City to continue practicing medicine. He became a Master Mason on January 11, 1869. William J. Florence was born William J. Conklin on July 26, 1831. After changing his name, he pursued a career as an entertainer, making his first appearance in Richmond Virginia at the age of 18 years. He became famous around the world as a great entertainer. Dr. Fleming and "Billy" Florence lived just around the corner from each other in New York and became great friends. They held many meetings to discuss the organization of the fraternity, which would later become known as the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. Three other members of the group of thirteen joined them in the effort. They were Charles T. McClenahan, a lawyer, Walter Sleigh Paterson born in Scotland March 6, 1844, the youngest Mason to become associated with the Shrine and William J. Fowler, owner of Fowler's Restaurant. The first formal meeting was held June 16, 1871, at which time, the ritual written by Dr. Fleming, was discussed.

The organizational meeting for the first Temple to be called Mecca, was held early in 1872, and the following officers were elected:

Walter M. Fleming, Potentate
Charles T. McClenahan, Chief Rabban
John A. Moore, Assistant Rabban
James E. Campbell, Treasurer
William S. Paterson, Recorder
Edward Eddy, High Priest and Prophet
George W. Nutter, Oriental Guide
Oswald M. d'Aubigne, Captain of the Guard

The Temple was chartered on September 26, 1872. The first Imperial Council Session was in 1877, after coming into existence June 6, 1876. The Imperial Council Officers were:

Walter M. Fleming, Imperial Grand Potentate
George F. Loder, Deputy Grand Potentate
Philip F. Lenhart, Grand Chief Rabban
Edward M. Ehlers, Grand Assistant Rabban
William H. Whiting, Grand High Priest and Prophet
Samuel R. Carter, Grand Oriental Guide
Aaron L. Northrop, Grand Treasurer
William S. Paterson, Grand Recorder
Albert P. Moriarty, Grand Financial Secretary
John L. Stettinius, Grand First Ceremonial Master



Bensen Sherwood, Grand Second Ceremonial Master
Samuel Harper, Grand Marshal
Frank H. Bascom, Grand Captain of the Guard
George Scott, Grand Outer Guard

These men would develop a national organization composed of Temples of North America. New York City was established as the Grand Orient, or headquarters for the Imperial Council.

William Florence died November 19, 1891 at age 60. He had been a Mason since 1853. The first initiatory ceremonial was given by the Damascus Temple in Rochester, N. Y. The first Temple was Mecca, with Genesee second. By December 31, 1878, the Shrine had thirteen Temples and 425 members. After twelve years of service to the establishment of the Shrine, Dr. Fleming retired as Imperial Potentate.

Sam Biggs became Imperial Potentate on June 14, 1886. He served for six years to 1892, after creating thirty new Temples, with membership increasing from three thousand to twenty-two thousand

By 1892 Imperial Sessions were attended by the rank and file of Nobles, to the extent of huge parades, and very large attendance of people in each locality. The Shrine could now command certain dispensations from cities where it might choose to hold its conventions. In 1891, in Omaha, Nebraska, there were sixteen hundred Shriners in dress suits and fezzes, marching down a street twelve abreast.

By 1893 membership had grown to 27,000 Nobles and by January 1st, 1895 to 37,384 nobles. There were now seventy-one Temples in forty-three states. Aleppo in Boston, Mass. was the largest with 2573 members, Mecca in New York was second with 2378 and Lu Lu of Philadelphia, Pa. was third with 2315. Madinah of Chicago had 2107 and Syria of Pittsburgh, Pa. had 1255 members. By January 1, 1900 the Shrine had 55,455 members. Regalia manufacturers had a hard time keeping up with orders, the decade had been highly successful. Washington, D. C. became the site of the largest convention on May 22, 1900. The entire city welcomed the Nobles, and President McKinley invited the Nobles to the White House grounds.

During the decade from 1900 to 1910, membership nearly tripled from 55,455 to 149,157. By now, the parades in large and cities which had a large population were chosen for conventions, in order that large crowds could view the parades. Twenty more Temples would be chartered during the next seven years including Kazim Temple in 1917.

The Imperial Council Session in 1919 discussed the Resolution that had been suggested that a hospital for crippled children be established - no action was taken.

The Imperial Council Session was held June 23, 1920 at Portland Oregon. It was at this Session that Forrest Adair made the famous "Bubbles Speech" which convinced the Council to make a resolution to build a hospital for crippled children, which was approved.

The Imperial Council Session held on June 13, 1922 at San Francisco, reported that 10 locations for hospitals had been acquired and construction was in progress. Greenville, South Carolina was one of the ten hospitals.

The 1923 Imperial Council Session was held in Washington D. C. President Warren C. Harding invited Shriners to a Garden Party on the White House Lawn June 5, 1923.

Imperial Council met in Philadelphia, PA to celebrate the Sesquicentennial in 1926

The Imperial Council met in 1929 in Los Angeles. The Coliseum was decorated to represent a Moorish Palace.



with thousands of lights in many colors. 100,000 persons were admitted to see the extravaganza, with 400,000 more people who never got into see the display.

The Imperial Council erected a "Peace Monument" facing South on the shores of Lake Erie. The monument was erected to enhance the good relationship between Canada and the United States in 1930.

A business meeting on December 8, 1934 complied with Imperial Council General Order #2 at the 1934-35 series, which stated that any Benefit Fund under the control of the Potentate and temple must be divorced from the control of the Potentate and temple. The Imperial Council would approve or disapprove fundraising activities by the Potentate and Temples.

Imperial Council approved the formation of the Colorado Corporation for charities, and the Iowa Corporation for our Fraternity operation, December 1936

At the Annual Meeting on January 20, 1940 the "Ladder of Smiles" was unveiled, as a means to secure permanent contributing members, for the endowment fund for the Crippled Children's Hospitals. Ten rungs of the ladder had been filled.

The Imperial Council celebrated the Shriner's "Diamond Jubilee in Chicago Illinois In 1947 President Harry S. Truman made the principal speech.

Imperial Council in 1948, decided on Chicago as the headquarters site for the membership of 575,954. This decision was resolved at the Session held in Atlantic City, N.J.

The 1950 Imperial Council Session was located back in Los Angeles. They lit up the Coliseum again and attracted 100,000 spectators. A huge parade filled the streets. "Red" Skelton, the famous comedian of the day appeared in the parade with camels, and had signs saying, "Honest Red, Used Camel Dealer."

On July 4, 1962, at the Imperial Council Session in Toronto, Canada, the formal announcement was made that \$10,000,000 would be appropriated for the construction of three burns centers, at Galveston, Texas, Cincinnati, Ohio and Boston, Mass

In 1965 the Imperial Potentate broke ground for the Boston Burns Hospital Unit, to be followed by the Burns Hospital in Galveston and Cincinnati, with the Galveston Burns Unit to be the first completed and opened.

The proposal that the Shriners take over the operation of two orthopedic hospitals was approved by the Imperial Council Session held in Washington, D.C. on July 14, 1965. The two hospitals were relocated, one at Erie, PA, the other at Houston, Texas. Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey made an appearance at the convention and a month later he would become a Shriner at a Ceremonial held in Minneapolis.

The 100th Session of the Imperial Council was held in Atlantic City New Jersey on June 23 to 28, 1974

Past Potentate Hugh Killinger made the report at the business meeting held April 17, 1978 that he learned of the Imperial Council plans to move the Headquarters to property purchased at a cost of \$500,000 for 6.7 acres, in Tampa, Florida. The Imperial Council Session was held in Detroit, Michigan.

The Imperial Council reported that 181 temples were in operation with 945,000 Nobles.

The announcement was made by the Imperial Council, that a Spinal Cord Injury Unit would be established at the Philadelphia PA. Shriners Hospital in 1980.

The ground breaking for the new Shriners Hospital in Greenville, SC was scheduled for March 22 and 23, 1985. Mr. John R. Hetrick was named Administrator for the Greenville Hospital Unit.



THE STORY OF KAZIM TEMPLE, A.A.O.N.M.S.

Dispensation to open a Temple of the A.A.O.N.M.S. at Roanoke, Virginia under the title of Kazim, was granted the 13th day of July, 1916, by the Imperial Potentate Henry F. Niedringheas.

The following Nobles were granted authority to open Kazim Temple to confer the Order and transact the business of the Temple:

Robert H. Angell, O. D. Oakey, John T. Cullen, R. Frank Taylor, Charles T. Jennings, C. S. McNulty, J. C. Bandy, Chris Markley, and 439 other Nobles.

The following Nobles were appointed as the Divan by Noble D. C. O'Flaherty, presiding as Special Deputy of the Imperial Potentate, at the Institutional meeting held in Lakeland Lodge on the 14th of October 1916:

Robert H. Angell, Potentate; O. D. Oakey, Chief Rabban; W. C. Stephenson, Assistant Rabban; H.P. Getys, Oriental Guide; H. A. Pratt, Treasurer; and John T. Cullen, Recorder.

At the second meeting of Kazim Temple, on November 1, 1916, a committee was appointed to secure a permanent Temple. The old Eagle Club House was suggested, and the committee was authorized to pay up to \$32,000 for the building. There are no records of the action taken.

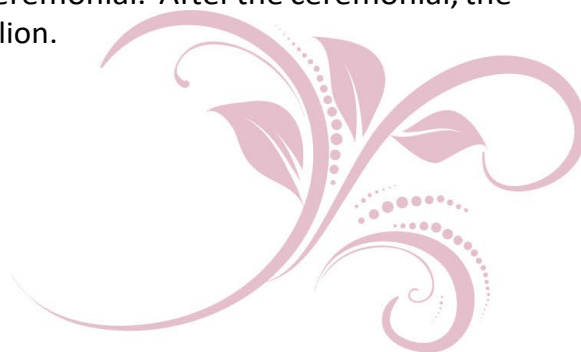
At a ceremonial in Roanoke, Virginia, on December 29, 1916, twenty new Nobles were created, and ten Nobles affiliated on demits from other Temples.

Imperial Potentate Charles E. Ovenshire, appointed Past Imperial Potentate Harrison Dingman of Almas Temple, Washington, D. C. to institute Kazim Temple and present the permanent charter, dated July 27, 1917. One hundred and three Nobles were created and twelve affiliated by demit from other Temples on September 17, 1917.

On December 19, 1917, the dues of Nobles of Kazim Temple, serving in the Armed Services, were remitted during the present war.

Pursuant of General Orders of the Imperial Potentate, dated August 29, 1918, Kazim Temple designated the annual meeting of the Temple to also observe a memorial service for all Nobles who had passed away during the year.

A ceremonial was held on August 31, 1918, at Blue Ridge Springs, Virginia. The Nobles' Ladies were invited to attend a picnic prior to the ceremonial. After the ceremonial, the Nobles and their Ladies enjoyed dancing in the pavilion.



On February 5, 1919, a ceremonial was held in Lakeland Lodge to honor the visit of Imperial Potentate E. J. Jacoby. Thirty-one candidates were obligated by the Imperial Sir, after which the Session adjourned for a banquet in the banquet hall of the Lodge. The Session was reconvened at the Academy of Music on Salem Avenue, where the second and third section of the degrees were given to the candidates.

The first Shriners Band was organized July 18, 1919 with 22 pieces; W. H. Burt was the leader.

The annual meeting of Kazim Tempie was held December 6, 1919, in Lakeland Lodge. In addition to the normal meeting, a memorial service was held for the nineteen Nobles who had passed away since the institution of Kazim.

The Kazim annual meeting on December 8, 1923, produced a request from the Building Committee, that they be authorized to purchase a site for the Mosque. The Finance Committee approved the request with the stipulation that the cost would not exceed \$290,000. The Nobles passed the motion.

A special meeting was called on August 29, 1924. The Building Committee moved that they be authorized to purchase a lot on Church Avenue. The motion was lost. Noble J. O. D. Copenhagen presented a map of a plot of 100 acres in Raleigh Court, at the intersection of Grandin Road and Brandon Avenue. The Building Committee was requested to give consideration to its purchase. There had been considerable interest and much promotion towards the building of a Shriners Crippled Children Hospital in the Roanoke Valley. One facet of the purchase of the 100 acre plot in Raleigh Court, was the proposal that ten acres be set aside, for donations to the Crippled Children's Hospital, if built.

On November 8, 1924, the purchase of the Raleigh Court plot was approved. The Kazim Temple Corporation was formed at a meeting on December 1, 1924, to function as a holding company for all real estate and other property acquired by Kazim Temple. At the Kazim Temple annual meeting held on January 8, 1927 a resolution forming a Finance Committee consisting of the Chief Rabban, Assistant Rabban, High Priest and Prophet and Oriental Guide, was approved. The committee would have complete control of all monies except those of a routine monthly nature and those approved by the Nobility at a business meeting. The Building Committee reported that plans were completed for the construction of the Mosque, and for the "Garden of Allah", on the property in Raleigh Court, at Kazim's annual meeting on January 24, 1928. Payments of pledges by the Nobility were slow due to the poor economy, and personal financial condition. Plans for construction were delayed until conditions improved.



According to Kazim Temple records, 3546 petitioners had been elected and created by Nobles May 10, 1931.

At a special meeting on February 18, 1933, the by-laws were amended to reduce the initiation fee from \$100 to due to the depressed national economy.

On May 26, 1934, in Richmond, Virginia a joint Ceremonial Session was held with Acca, Kazim, and Khedive, honoring Imperial Potentate John N. Sebrell, of Khedive Temple in Norfolk. The Ritualistic Cast of Kazim Temple conferred the First Section, with the help of the Band and Patrol. A competitive drill of the Patrol present was won by Kazim Temple, under the direction of Captain M. S. Johnson.

At the December 12, 1936 business meeting, Kazim Temple accepted the invitation of Acca and Khedive Temples in forming a Mid-Atlantic Shrine Council. Almas, Boumi and Ali Ghan were included in this effort.

Kazim Temple resolved at the annual business meeting held on January 16, 1937, to present Past Potentate Horace M. Fox, as Outer Guard for the Imperial Council. On November 6, 1937, a joint "All State Ceremonial" was held in Roanoke by Acca, Khedive, and Kazim Temples, honoring Imperial Potentate Walter S. Sugden. The Divans and Uniformed Units of Acca and Khedive arrived by special trains at 8:00 A.M. Fifty-three candidates were created Nobles. Acca Ritualistic Cast gave the first and third sections of the ceremony.

The membership of Kazim Temple as of December 31, 1938, was 1, 564.

At a business meeting on April 15, 1939, a resolution was passed, stating the Divan would prepare the budget, a CPA would audit the accounts and life membership would be discontinued. The records show that the loans to the Temple by members securing property and building a Mosque, had been subscribed in the amount of \$441,706.50. Payments on the subscriptions had been made in the amount of \$164,383.84 as of December 31, 1939, \$111,282.36 had been returned to the members, leaving a balance outstanding of \$53,101.48. The Temple held title to 101+ acres in southwest Roanoke Raleigh Court area.

At the annual meeting on January 20, 1940, the "Ladder of Smiles" was unveiled to secure permanent contributing members for the endowment of the Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children. Ten rungs of the ladder had been filled.



During the annual business meeting on January 18, 1941, a resolution was passed empowering the Potentate and Recorder to enter an agreement with Acca Temple for concurrent jurisdiction of Alleghany and Bath counties. The Temple membership was 1294 at this date. Imperial Potentate George F. Oldendorf was honored at the Patrick Henry Hotel on April 23, 1941. During his visit at Kazim he spoke on crippled children. The 1942 annual meeting was held on January 17th on the second floor of a building at 5051/2 Jefferson Street. The minutes of this meeting indicate that four hundred dollars was realized from a circus sponsored by Kazim Temple in November 1941.

At the annual meeting on January 16, 1943, Noble John T. Cullen retired as Recorder and was presented a resolution thanking him for twenty-six years of faithful service and making him Recorder Emeritus.

At the January 15, 1944, annual meeting, the Recorder reported that we had a gain of ten members, bringing the membership to 1353. The "Ladder of Smiles" had attained 56 permanent contributing members. An honor roll was published, showing that 44 members were serving in the Armed Forces of our country.

A special business meeting of the Kazim Temple Corporation was held on May 17, 1947. The sale of the property owned by the Temple in Raleigh Court to the Roanoke School Board was approved. The Temple would receive \$125,000 and a deed to the W. K. Andrews property on West Campbell Avenue.

The "Gambill House", located on the W. K. Andrews property on West Campbell Avenue, became the permanent home of Kazim Temple through its acquisition in 1947 by the Kazim Temple Corporation.



Membership of 1953 members was reported at the annual meeting on January 15, 1958; 2136 by the end of 1948 and 2311 by the end of 1949.

C. E. "Buck" Cuddy, P.P. was elected M.A.S.A. President for the 1953-54 term.

The Kazim Temple Nobility had 2861 members at the beginning of 1954. The Mid-Atlantic Session was scheduled for Virginia Beach, September 10, 11, and 12, 1954.

The Building Committee requested that the architectural fee for the work on the plans for the Scottish Rite-Kazim Temple buildings be paid. Payment was approved at the January 7, 1955 business meeting. The 1954 Shrine Bowl game produced \$8400. Membership was now 3011.

The Business Meeting held February 26, 1955, requested that the Building Committee planning of the joint Scottish Rite and Kazim Temple Buildings not exceed \$600,000 for the cost of the two buildings.

The report was made at the April 2, 1955, Business Meeting that the Greenville, South Carolina Unit handled 27 cases from Kazim's jurisdiction.

Recommendations for the ownership agreements between Scottish-Rite and Kazim Temple were made at this meeting. The Building Committee reported that the architects had secured a map of the Shrine property, progress was being made in the development of construction plans. The report was made at a business meeting held on April 10, 1956.

It was reported at the March 13, 1956, Business Meeting that the membership had increased to 3122. On March 11, 1958, the Building Committee reported that the architect's work on building plans was complete with specifications in the hands of the contractors with anticipation of bids around April 9th. The purchase of property on Marshall Avenue was reported, and the Temple had 3197 members.

CORNERSTONE LAYING CEREMONIES OF SCOTTISH RITE BODIES AND KAZIM TEMPLE

Mt. Wor. Earl S. Wallace, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, laid the Cornerstones on the Scottish Rite and Kazim Temple, Friday, May 23, 1958, at 11:00 a.m. in accordance with the "Ceremony for Laying Cornerstones" published by order of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Virginia 1953 Edition. The occasion was witnessed by T. J. Craig, 32 degree Venerable Master; and Commander, Frederick Grimm, 32 degree Wise-Master; and C. B. Nerren, 32 degree Master of Kadosh, representing the Scottish Rite Bodies. D. Marvin Penn, Potentate, represented Kazim Temple. Five hundred members and Nobles attended the Ceremony. Brother Earl S. Wallace believed that the laying of cornerstones on two buildings side by side, was the first event of record in the 180 year history of Masonry in Virginia.

At the business meeting held on July 7, 1958, it was reported that the cost of Kazim Temple would be \$277,000.

DEDICATION

Dedication of the Scottish Rite Temple and Kazim Temple was on April 17, 1959. Open house was held at the Scottish Rite Temple and Kazim Temple buildings on April 17, 1959 at 2 p.m. for members, Nobles, and their guests. The Plaque on the East side of the vestibule of the Scottish Rite Temple was unveiled by Past Grand Master of Virginia, Earl S. Wallace. A joint banquet with approximately 900 Scottish Rite members and Nobles was held in the Kazim Temple Ballroom at 6:00 p.m.

DEDICATION

The Dedication Ceremony took place in the Scottish Rite Auditorium at 8:00 p.m. Brother Charles E. Webber was Master of Ceremonies. Illustrious Luther A. Smith 33rd degree Sovereign Grand Master of the Southern Jurisdiction of the U.S.A. delivered an inspiring address, and declared the Scottish Rite Temple officially dedicated. Illustrious George E. String fellow, Imperial Potentate of the Shrine of North America delivered a fine address and declared the Kazim Temple building officially dedicated.

Noble Thomas J. Fox, Chairman of the committee to develop a local Shrine club, presented By-Laws and Constitution for the proposed club. His report was approved at the business meeting of August 11, 1959, the club to be known as the Roanoke Valley Shrine Club.

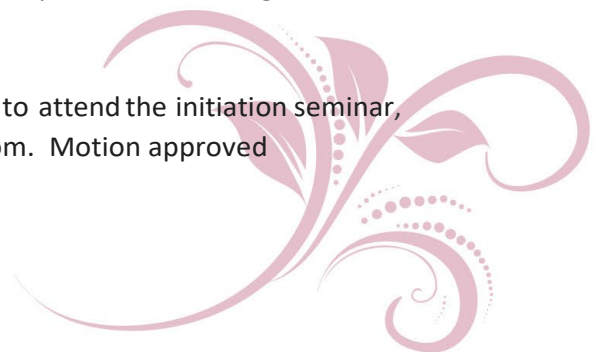
The Kazim Temple Corporation was asked to get facts as to the purchase of additional property located on Marshall Avenue. The request was made at a business meeting held on February 6, 1961. A debt of \$1600 was paid off on the property at Marshall Avenue and 7th Street; approved June 12, 1961. Approval for a Motor Corps Unit not to exceed 15 members, and a separate Klown Unit, previously part of the Directors Staff, was approved October 9, 1961.

On February 20, 1967, plans were made for a game at the Shrine Bowl between VPI and VMI freshmen teams to be played on October 27, 1967. Thirty bands accepted the invitation to parade.

The Shrine was given the opening night at the new Salem Civic Center for a promotion of some type. It was suggested at the business meeting held May 15, 1967 that a Shrine Circus be held. All plans were contingent on the completion date of the center.

The Uniformed Units Association put on a show at the opening of the Salem Civic Center as reported on November 17, 1967. The Circus Chairman reported net earnings of \$11,500 for the Temple's work on February 15, 1971.

The motion was made to take one candidate to New York to attend the initiation seminar, in the first class, of the second hundred years of Shrinedom. Motion approved September 18, 1972.



A meeting was held in Greensboro, N.C. on August 8, 1973. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss a new Shrine Association for Virginia, North Carolina, and South Carolina. Eugene E. Bane, P.P, was elected President of MASA, for the 1974-1975 term

The Mid-Atlantic Shrine Association was scheduled to meet at Virginia Beach in 1975. The new South Atlantic Shrine Association was to follow with their meeting two weeks later at Virginia Beach.

John N. Dalton, Potentate, and the next Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, presided at the annual business meeting on January 23, 1976.

The cost of extending the Kazim ballroom was reported from \$275,000 to \$300,000 at the February 21, 1977 meeting. The building fund to extend the Kazim ballroom did not reach the November 29, 1977 goal with a shortage of \$89,471.08. It was decided at the December 5, 1977 business meeting, by motion, to give the donor a refund of his contribution or let the contribution remain in the fund.

The installation of emergency lights at the Temple at a cost of \$1115 was approved March 20, 1979.

The committee, which had been looking into the purchase of a building at 327 Campbell Avenue, reported that a contract for the purchase had been made at the June 15, 1981 business meeting. This building would be used for the storage of parade vehicles.

The city of Roanoke was asked to close the alley which ran through the property owned by Kazim Temple and the Scottish Rite. This will enable the Temple to fence the property back of the buildings and was approved at the March 13, 1983 meeting. Hugh W. Killinger, Past Potentate was elected President of SASA for the 1983-84 term.

Roanoke Valley Shrine Club built and donated a Picnic Shelter to the Temple in 1985. As of June 1989, our Nobility consisted of 3601 members. Dr. Wallace C. Nunley, Sr. P.P.; and (Kazim's Recorder, was nominated for Fifth Vice President of S.A.S.A. was approved at the Divan meeting on June 12, 1989.

The Nobility as of June 8, 1990, was 3456 members.

Kazim celebrated their 75th Anniversary of Kazim Temple in 1992.

In 1993 major improvements were made to the building by installing a new heating and cooling system at the cost of \$45,000.00 and a new roof. The ballroom was refurbished in 1994 with new draperies, chandelier and sconces by the Temple. The Roanoke Valley Shrine Club donated funds for materials to replace the ceiling in the Ballroom and the Nobility furnished the labor in 1996.

The Nobility as of January 1, 1997, was 2,858 members.

In 2017, Kazim will be celebrating the 100th anniversary of the signing of the charter.

The membership as of December 31, 2016, was approximately 1,300 members with 18 Units and 14 Shrine Clubs.



WHAT'S A SHRINER?

A Shriner is a man who professes a faith in God.

As a man of faith he uses the tools of moral and Ethical truths to serve mankind.

A Shriner binds himself to like-minded men in a Brotherhood that transcends all religious, ethical, social, cultural, and educational differences.

In fellowship, with his brothers, a Shriner finds ways in which to serve his God, his family, his fellow man, and his country.

A Shriner is dedicated. He recognizes his responsibility for justice, truth, charity, enlightenment, freedom and liberty, honesty and integrity in all aspects of human endeavor.

A Shriner is such a man!!

MISSION OF SHRINERS INTERNATIONAL

Be the premier fraternal organization for men of good character.

Provide attractive, quality programs and services for its members, their families and their friends in a spirit of fun, fellowship and social camaraderie.

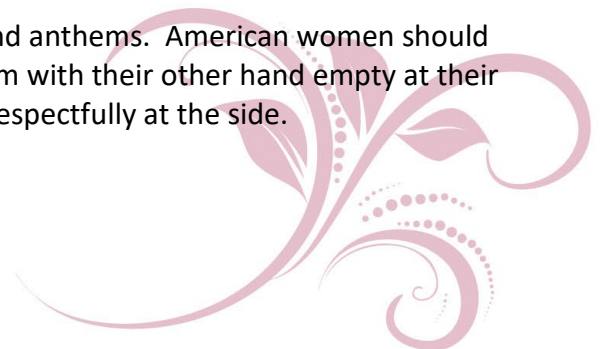
Foster self-improvement through leadership, education, the perpetuation of moral values and community involvement.

Serve mankind through the resources of its philanthropy, Shriners Hospitals for Children.

SHRINE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

"I pledge allegiance to my flag, and to the country for which it stands; one nation under God; indivisible; with liberty and justice for all."

Shriners and their Ladies should show respect for all flags and anthems. American women should have their hand over their heart during the American anthem with their other hand empty at their side. During anthems for other countries hands should be respectfully at the side.



2025 DIVAN MEMBERS

Elected

Potentate: Dewey Cole David

Lady: Kristen

Chief Rabban: Lloyd Thomas “Charlie” Page

Lady: Martha

Assistant Rabban: Michael Dean Kinzer

Lady: Bridget

High Priest & Prophet: Kevin Lynwood Brown

Lady: Angel

Oriental Guide: Christopher Keither Childress

Treasurer: Harry Dana Smith

Lady: Winsome

Recorder: Illustrious Russell Edward Muncy

Lady: Linda



2025 DIVAN MEMBERS

Appointed

First Ceremonial Master: Raymond Thomas Heinrich

Lady: Carrie

Second Ceremonial Master: Ryan Wayne Nicely

Lady: Angie

Director: Joey Shawn Martin

Lady: Aimee

Marshal: Henry Lee Bolling

Lady: Teresa

Captain of the Guard: Harley James Colna

Lady: Viola

Outer Guard: Robert Eugene "Bobby" Lucas

Lady: Jessica

Chaplain: Joe Gilbert Broce

Lady: Debbie



TEMPLE LEADERSHIP

Shrine Leadership positions have, for the newcomer, odd sounding titles. In addition, some positions are elected and some are appointed. Appointments are made by the sitting Potentate.

Potentate – This is, essentially, the President of the Shrine Temple. It is an elected position. The Nobles vote, annually, for their choice of Potentate.

Chief Rabban – 1st Vice President. As with the Potentate, this is also an elected position. It is expected that the Chief Rabban will, the following year, be elected to the position of Potentate.

Assistant Rabban – 2nd Vice President. This is also an elected position. It is expected that the Assistant Rabban will, the following year, be elected to the position of Chief Rabban.

High Priest and Prophet – 3rd Vice President. Another elected position. It is expected that the High Priest and Prophet will, the following year, be elected to the position of Assistant Rabban.

Oriental Guide – 4th Vice President – Yet another elected position. In some Temples this is an appointment of the incoming Potentate, but then he has to be elected by the Nobility to become Oriental Guide. It is expected that the Oriental Guide will, the following year, be elected to the position of High Priest and Prophet.

Two other elected and critical positions are:

Treasurer – just what it sounds like

Recorder – Secretary and more!

The Board of Directors for the Temple, as with any board, govern the Temple. They are the management Team. An older term is “Divan” and the Ladies are the “Divan Ladies.”



PAST POTENTATES

1916-1917

R. F. Angell

1918

O. D. Oakey

1919-1920

C. A. Woodrum

1921

J. E. Shank

1922

C. S. McNutty

1923

H. M. Fox

1924

A. M. Clay

1925

R. F. Taylor

1926

J. O. D. Copenhaver

1927

S. K. Snedegar

1928

J. P. Saul, Jr.

1929

L. S. Wood

1930

C. B. Wilson

1931

E. L. Trinkle

1932-1933

H. C. Neren

1934-1935

Francis R. Porter

1936

Wm. A. Adair

1937

Walter Pettyjohn

1938

Dr. M. S. Jenkins

1939

Everett Repass

1940

Dr. J. E. John

1941

M. L. Masinter

1942

S. Henry Barnhart

1943

J. Lindsay Almond, Jr.

1944

R. E. Paine

1945

LeRoy H. Smith

1946

R. V. Cunningham

1947

D. K. Marsteller

1948

B. E. Chewning

1949

C. E. Cuddy

1950

R. D. Eades

1951

C. E. Webber

1952

W. F. Crueger

1953

A. M. Renick

1954

A. B. Burton

1955

Thomas J. Young

1956

Howard W. Starkey

1957

J. Kirk Ring

1958

D. Marvin Penny

1959

H. A. Prillaman

1960

W. D. Adams

1961

E. M. Bane

1962

W. O. Holloway

1963

Raymond G. Rhodes

1964

Wm. C. Vaughn

1965

Tom S. Fox

1966

Bowman Harris

1967

Frank J. Smith

1968

Robert E. Slayton

1969

Dr. Thomas S. Ely

1970

C. Letcher Newcomb

1971

Garland E. Sheets



1972 James M. Slusher	1986 A. H. Tignor	2000 Donald E. Haymaker	2014 John M. Chambliss, Jr.
1973 John Montgomery	1987 McLynn Sharpe	2001 Bobby C. Looney	2015 Michael D. Ritter
1974 Paul H. Hillgore	1988 James P. Wilkerson	2002 Robert L. Boitnott	2016 Richard B. Bowyer
1975 C. Jack Clement	1989 Dr. Wallace C. Nunley, Jr.	2003 Herbert A. Read	2017 Russell E. Muncy
1976 John M. Dalton	1990 W. W. "Bill" Halsey	2004 Donald L. Ratliff	2018 Gary David Bennett
1977 Hugh M. Killinger, Jr.	1991 B. G. "Bob" Hughes	2005 Ronald Booth	2019 Lloyd Wesley Wells
1978 George E. O'Hara	1992 James M. Scearce, Jr.	2006 Robert W. Day	2020 Edward Glenn Barker
1979 John W. Laningham	1993 Thomas E. Scott	2007 Clifton N. Skinner	2021 William W. David
1980 Roy V. Jacobson	1994 Fran E. Turner	2008 Glenn R. Perry	2022 Matthew D. Clarke
1981 Q. M. Tomlinson	1995 William H. Brown	2009 Charlie R. Jessee	2023 Aubrey J. Rosser
1982 J. G. "Jimmie" Sanders	1996 Moody C. DeVaux	2010 Haden T. Dudley, III	2024 Frankie E. Howell
1983 Gordon F. Ruble	1997 Lloyd Robinette, Jr.	2011 John E. Wingfield	
1984 James M. Blair	1998 James R. Eller	2012 Martin E. Jessee	
1985 Joseph R. Morton	1999 Dennis W. Ritter	2013 Leonard A. Rowe	



KAZIM UNITS AND CLUBS

The Nobility is highly encouraged to join at least one Unit or Club. Units and Clubs are essential to Kazim Shrine, providing members with a meeting place and defined social activities. There is a large variety in the Units and Clubs of Kazim Shriners, each dedicated to the Fraternity and under the jurisdiction of Kazim Shriners Potentate. These organizations are composed of men who share a passion, enthusiasm or hobby. Many have Ladies meetings or offer activities for Ladies when they meet. With such a wide array of Units and Clubs offered at Kazim Shriners, a list has been composed listing a brief description of the mission and when they meet.

Units and Clubs have their own bylaws and, therefore, their own officers. Each Unit or Club defines the officers and terms of office.

Many Units have international affiliations and, therefore, have their own conventions. Some occur during Imperial Session.

Shrine Parading is something that the Nobles participate in only. Imperial bylaws restrict Ladies from being in a "Shrine" parade. However, WITH THE POTENTATES PERMISSION and certain restrictions, they are permitted to participate in non-shrine "Civic" parades. Ladies are encouraged to attend parades, whenever possible. It's fun and shows your support of the Nobles and the Shrine.



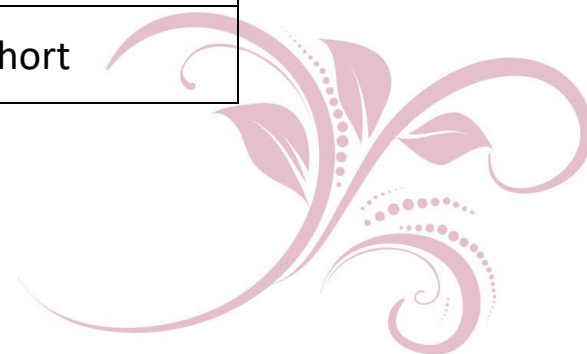
TEMPLE UNITS

Unit	Director
Band	John Stump
Beach Bums	Robert Vernon
Central VA Clowns	Angus Lamond
Director's Staff	David Peale
Fire Brigade	Philip Weaver
Hillbillies	Mike Rosenbaum
Klowns	Joey Pugh
Misfits	Bobby Lucas
Mobile Nobles	Wesley Lambert
Motor Patrol	John Eanes
Piedmont T's	Roger Woods
Pirates	PJ Nagel
Provost Guard	Newell West
Tramps	ILL. Matt Clarke



TEMPLE CLUBS

Club	President
Clifton-Forge	David McCormack
Giles County	JR Darnell
Grayson-Carroll	Jamie Branscome
Kazim Golf	David Morris
Leaf & Cork	ILL. Gary Bennett
Lynchburg	Fred Heptinstall
New River	ILL. Mike Ritter
Piedmont	ILL. Wes Wells
Powell Valley	Kyth Banks
Roanoke Valley	Giles Gilley
Scott County	Larry Moore
Tavern Keepers	ILL. Mike Ritter
Shenandoah Valley	Gary Butler
Washington County	Josh Wellenhoffer
Wise County	Mike Short



TERMS, ACTIVITIES & EVENTS COMMON TO THE SHRINE

Assistant Rabban – the second vice-president of the Temple Divan

Caravan – the annual parade of all Shrine units and clubs

Chaplain – responsible for giving the prayers at the Temple. Offers prayers, blessings & benedictions as called upon.

Chief Rabban – the first vice-president of the Temple Divan

Crescent & Scimitar – the Shrine emblem

Divan – the group of governing elected and/or appointed officials of each Shrine Temple. The top five officers typically progress towards the Potentate position.

Dress – if the noble forgets to introduce his lady, it is said he must purchase a dress for his Lady

Fez – the red head gear worn by the Shriners

High Priest and Prophet – the third vice-president of the Temple Divan

Hospitals – the Shrine has 22 hospitals to help children with orthopedic, spinal column, cleft lip and palate, and burn needs

Illustrious Sir – title of the present and past Potentates are addressed as

Imperial – the governing body of Shriners International

Imperial Sir – title given to an officer of the Imperial Divan

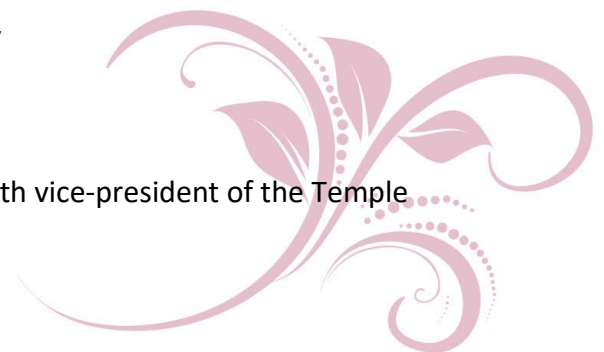
Lady – a spouse or female friend of a Shriner

MASA – Mid Atlantic Shrine Association – the group of 24 Shrine Temples in our area who meet on an annual basis to celebrate, entertain and have unit/club competitions.

Masonic – every Shriner must be a member of this Fraternity

Noble – the title each Shriner is addressed by

Oriental Guide – the newest elected Divan member and fourth vice-president of the Temple



Potentate – the President or CEO of the Shrine Temple, elected for a one year term

Recorder – responsible for the records of the Temple

SASA – South Atlantic Shrine Association – the group of 20 Shrine Temples in our area who meet on an annual basis to celebrate, entertain and have unit/club competitions.

Shriners – the authorized term for referring to the local nobles

Shriners Hospitals for Children – a Colorado Corporation

Shriners International - an Iowa Corporation

Stated Meeting – the regular business meeting of the Temple

Temple – authorized term for referring to the local Shrine building. Can also be referred to as the local Shriners and their organization.

Treasurer – responsible for the monies of the Temple

Unit/Club – a group of Shriners who has a common interest and enjoys getting together. A Noble can belong to both a unit and a club.

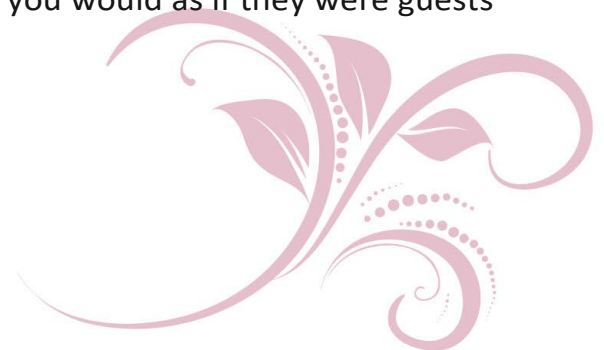
BASIC SHRINE PROTOCOL FOR LADIES

Always watch the Imperial First Lady or your First Lady. Do as she does; she sets the protocol for the occasion. When she stands you stand...

Since this is a man's organization, you do not stand for the Imperial Potentate or Potentate. You do stand for their lady as they are being escorted to the stage, introduced, or escorted out. You also stand for prayer, The National Anthems, and the pledge to the flag.

PROTOCOL IS COURTESY! Show everyone the respect you would as if they were guests in your home.

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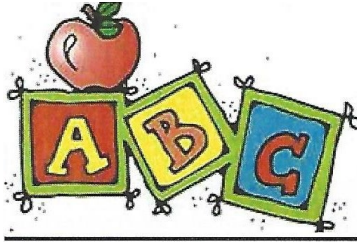
DRESS CODE GUIDELINES

Remember, Ladies, this is only a guideline as Dress Code means different things in different parts of Shriners International.

	Ladies	Nobles
Formal	Long Dress	Black Tux
Cocktail	Cocktail Dress or Evening Pants with Dressy Top	Suit/Dress Shirt/Tie
Dinner Attire	Nice Dress or Pant Suit	Suit, Sport Coat, Tie, or in some places a White Dinner Jacket
Business Casual	Slacks or Skirt, Blouse, Jacket or sweater	Sport Slacks, Casual Shirt, Maybe Jacket
Casual	Slacks, Capris or Shorts and Casual Shirt	Slacks, Shorts, Casual Shirt
Picnic Attire	Shorts, Capris, Jeans with Casual Shirt	Shorts, Jeans, Casual Shirt
Western Attire	Skirt, Jeans with any top	Jeans and Western Shirt

Name badges, whether Divan, Unit, or Club are to be worn on the right side of the garment. Badges are not to be worn with formal wear.





To ACHIEVE your Dreams remember your ABC's:

- A** Avoid negative sources, people, places, things and habits.
- B** Believe in yourself.
- C** Consider things from every angle.
- D** Don't give up and don't give in.
- E** Enjoy life today; yesterday is gone & tomorrow may never come.
- F** Family and friends are hidden treasures; seek them and enjoy their riches.
- G** Give more than you planned to.
- H** Hang on to your dreams.
- I** Ignore those who try to discourage you.
- J** Just do it.
- K** Keep trying no matter how hard it seems; it will get easier.
- L** Love yourself first and most.
- M** Make it happen.
- N** Never lie, cheat, or steal; always strike a fair deal.
- O** Open your eyes and see things as they really are.
- P** Practice makes perfect.
- Q** Quitters never win and winners never quit.
- R** Read, study and learn about everything important in your life.
- S** Stop procrastinating,.
- T** Take control of your own destiny.
- U** Understand yourself in order to better understand others.
- V** Visualize it.
- W** Want it more than anything.
- X** Excelerate your efforts.
- Y** You are unique of all God's creations; nothing can replace you.
- Z** Zero in on your target and go for it.



SHRINE ASSOCIATIONS

SOUTH ATLANTIC SHRINE ASSOCIATION (SASA)

<http://www.southatlantica.org>

MID ATLANTIC SHRINE ASSOCIATION (MASA)

<http://masashriners.org>

SOUTH ATLANTIC SHRINE CLOWN ASSOCIATION (SASCA)

<https://sasca.webs.com>

TEMPLES IN VIRGINIA

ACCA-Richmond

<https://accashriners.com>

KHEDIVE – Chesapeake

<https://khediveshrine.org>

KENA – Manassas

<http://www.kena.org>

KAZIM – Roanoke

<http://www.kazimshriners.com>



SHRINERS VILLAGE

A Private Community for Shriners & their Ladies

For the first time logging in to Shriners Village, follow the steps below

<http://www.shrinersvillage.com>

- Click on the link “REGISTER HERE”
- Select your Temple Name from the List
- Enter your Noble’s Member Number and Last Name
- Click “Verify Your Identity”
- Select your user type – Lady – then enter your name. Click “Select Type”
- Enter information requested
- Click “Create Your Account”



Username: Password:

[REGISTER HERE](#) one time to create a personal account.

[forget your username or password?](#)

[get help](#)

Learn more about how to become a Shriner at: beashriner.com



SHRINERS HOSPITALS FOR CHILDREN®

With the first Hospital started in New Orleans in 1922, Shriners Hospitals for Children is known as the World's Greatest Philanthropy. Today, Shriners throughout the world continue to support the Hospitals by raising funds, assisting patient's families with transportation, volunteering on hospital boards and much more.

Children from birth to age 18 receive expert specialty medical care at these hospitals, with no financial obligation to them or their families, thanks to the efforts of Shriners and other generous supporters. In addition, many Shriners Hospitals for Children facilities are engaged in medical research and are affiliated with the top academic medical institutions in North America.

The Fraternity and Hospitals are legally and financially separate. Each are audited independently. In addition, Temples are incorporated as chapters of the Fraternity and are audited individually.

Shriners Hospitals for Children is an international healthcare system dedicated to improving the lives of children by providing pediatric specialty care, innovative research and outstanding teaching programs. The Hospitals focus on four specialized areas of care:

- **Orthopedic Care** – medical and rehabilitative services for children with congenital deformities and conditions, problems resulting from orthopedic injuries, and diseases of the neuromusculoskeletal system.
- **Burn Care** – treatment for acute and non-acute burn injuries and related scarring, along with physical and emotional rehabilitation.
- **Spinal Cord Injury** – spinal cord injury rehabilitation specifically for children, offering some of the most advanced treatment in the country, with full range of services.
- **Cleft Lip and Palate Care** – coordinated, comprehensive multidisciplinary care for children with this condition.

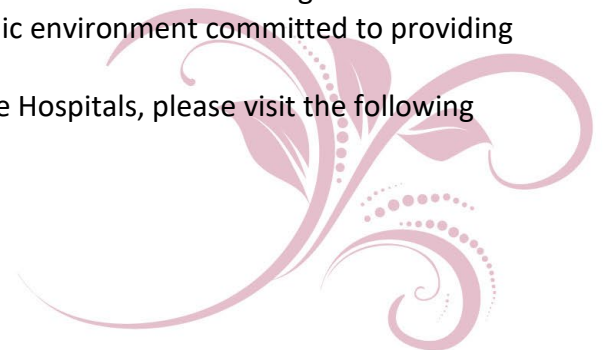
Research

Shriners Hospitals for Children are dedicated to conducting innovative research for complex medical difficulties affecting children. Shriners Hospitals for Children's contributions to the medical community not only benefit our patients, but contribute to the overall body of medical knowledge for the care and treatment for a wide range of pediatric and adult conditions.

Education

Shriners Hospitals for Children is proud of its role in medical education. In the past 20 years, more than 8,000 physicians have received residency education or postgraduate fellowship within the healthcare system. By maintaining relationships with more than 60 medical teaching facilities worldwide, Shriners Hospitals for Children fosters an academic environment committed to providing high-quality medical care to all patients.

For a more in depth history and additional information on the Hospitals, please visit the following website: www.shrinershospitalsforchildren.org.



HOSPITAL SPECIALIZATIONS

Boston

51 Blossom St.
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 722-3000

- Burns
- Cleft Lip and Palate

Chicago

2211 North
Oak Park Ave.
Chicago, IL 60707
(773) 622-5400

- Orthopedics
- Spinal Cord Injury
- Cleft Lip and Palate

Cincinnati

3229 Burnet Ave.
Cincinnati, OH 45229
(800) 875-8580

- Burns
- Cleft Lip and Palate

Erie

1645 West 8th St.
Erie, PA 16505
(814) 875-8700

- Orthopedics

Galveston

815 Market St.
Galveston, TX 77550
(888) 215-3109

- Burns

Greenville

950 West Faris Rd.
Greenville, SC 29605
(864) 271-3444

- Orthopedics

Honolulu

1310 Punahou St.
Honolulu, HI 96826
(808) 941-4466

- Orthopedics

Houston

6977 Main St.
Houston, TX 77030
(713) 797-1616

- Orthopedics
- Cleft Lip and Palate

Lexington

1900 Richmond Rd.
Lexington, KY 40502
(859) 266-2101

- Orthopedics

Los Angeles

3160 Geneva St.
Los Angeles, CA 90020
(213) 388-3151

- Orthopedics
- Cleft Lip and Palate

Mexico City

Av. del Imán No. 257
Col. Pedregal
de Santa Ursula
Deleg. Coyoacán
Mexico, D.F., 04600
011-52-555-424-7850

- Orthopedics

Montreal

1529 Cedar Ave.
Montreal, Quebec,
Canada, H3G 1A6
(514) 842-4464

- Orthopedics

Northern California

2425 Stockton Blvd.
Sacramento,
CA 95817
(916) 453-2000

- Orthopedics
- Burns
- Spinal Cord Injury
- Cleft Lip and Palate

Philadelphia

3551 North Broad St.
Philadelphia, PA 19140
(215) 430-4000

- Orthopedics
- Spinal Cord Injury

Portland

3101 S.W.
Sam Jackson Park Rd.
Portland, OR 97239
(503) 241-5090

- Orthopedics
- Cleft Lip and Palate

Salt Lake City

Fairfax Road at
Virginia St.
Salt Lake City,
UT 84103
(801) 536-3500

- Orthopedics

Shreveport

3100 Samford Ave.
Shreveport, LA 71103
(318) 222-5704

- Orthopedics

Spokane

911 West 5th Ave.
Spokane, WA 99204
(509) 455-7844

- Orthopedics

Springfield

516 Carew St.
Springfield, MA 01104
(413) 787-2000

- Orthopedics
- Cleft Lip and Palate

St. Louis

2001 South
Lindbergh Blvd.
St. Louis, MO 63131
(314) 432-3600

- Orthopedics

Tampa

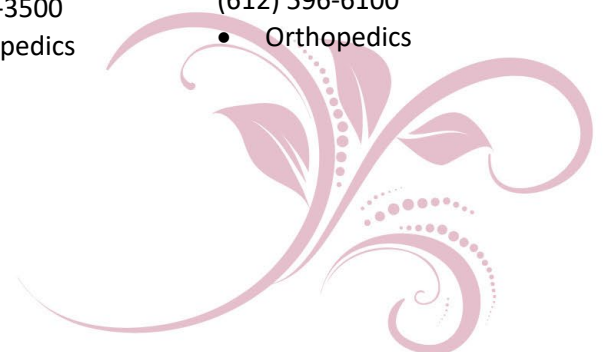
12502 USF Pine Dr.
Tampa, FL 33612
(813) 972-2250

- Orthopedics

Twin Cities

2025 East River Pkwy.
Minneapolis,
MN 55414
(612) 596-6100

- Orthopedics



AFFILIATED WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS

Daughters of the Nile is an international organization for women who are related by birth or marriage to a Shriner, Master Mason or Daughter of the Nile. Founded in 1913, by 22 progressive women with strength of purpose and vision, it boasts 149 Temples throughout the United States and Canada. The top official of the Supreme Temple holds the title of Supreme Queen. The Daughters of the Nile contribute over \$1 million annually to the Shriners Hospitals for Children. Members also contribute their time and creative efforts to Shriners Hospitals through volunteer work and the sewing of garments, quilts, and other necessary items for the children.

Ladies Oriental Shrine of North America is a fun group of women who are related by birth or marriage to a Master Mason. Each court assumes an obligation to extend financial support and assistance to Shriners Hospitals for Children with emphasis on the hospital fund, sewing and special projects. Founded in 1903, there are currently 86 courts throughout the United States and Canada under the Grand Council. The top official of the Grand Council holds the title of Grand High Priestess.

Shrine Guilds of America provides independent support and aid to Shriners Hospitals for Children and concentrates on the education of children during their stay at Shriners Hospitals. Organized in 1947, there are approximately 14 guilds today, mostly in Florida and Indiana. Members are wives or widows of Shriners. The leader of the Imperial Council of Shrine Guilds of America is called the Imperial Maharanee.

Order of the Eastern Star is the largest fraternal organization to which both men and women may belong. Worldwide, there are approximately 1 million members under the General Grand Chapter. Eastern Star chapters donate funds to a variety of worthy causes including: Shriners Hospitals for Children, Cancer Research Project, Arthritis Fund, orphanages and many other charities.

*When dreaming of charity, ask
"What if"
and think of how lives can be changed.*



ONE-SHEETS

One-sheets are designed for use by members and groups of Shriners International and affiliated Masonic organizations and Shriners Hospitals for Children® staff to communicate important information about the fraternity and health care system.

One-sheets can be downloaded from ShrinersVillage.com



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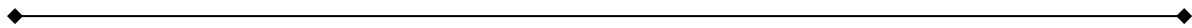
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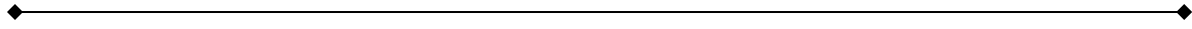
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