Message From The Potentate

by Gale H. Kenney

Dear Brother Nobles and Ladies:

This shall be my last communiqué to you as Potentate of the Nile Shriners for 2017.

It has been a full and busy year with many projects identified and accomplished. Most of which will not be visibly apparent to you, as they were administrative in nature.

We put out a new Directory and did it in-house, thanks to the excellent skills of our Membership Administrator, Laura VanDeventer.

We updated and revised the Nile Business cards with current and correct information; updated and revised the Cold Sands and Unit/Club Installation Ceremonies; Memorial Notices were and continue to be put out when a Brother Noble passes away, out of respect to him and his family; updated and revised the Job Responsibilities of the Divan; updated the Balloting Procedure used at a Closed Stated Meeting; updated the Nile By-Laws and had them approved by Imperial; all twenty of the Units and Clubs updated their By-Laws; updated and revised the Unit and Club Seminar information; updated and revised the Petitions for Initiation, Affiliation, Association and Restoration; continue to play catch-up on our 25- and 50-Year Service Awards to Nobles for uninterrupted time in the Nile; updated our letterhead from the “Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine” (A.A.O.N.M.S.) to “Shriners International” (this change took place at the Imperial Session in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, on July 5, 2010); changed our Temple Name to “Nile Shriners, Shriners International” with the state; updated our Website on a continual bases to keep it relevant; sent personal letters to 111 Nobles who had taken a Demit, encouraging them to return (many of whom have done so); continued to visit Blue Lodges as Shrine-Masons; created a new map of the Picnic Grounds for Catering and others to use; updated the Membership Policy and the Employee Handbook; held a successful Fall Ceremonial honoring Noble Virgil G. Mudd in celebration of his One Hundredth Birthday on August 31st of this year; and upgraded our phone and security systems, thanks to Noble High Priest & Prophet, Michael J. Riley. This is just some of the many activities that have been performed during the year, and does not include the multiple activities that the Treasurer and Recorder have stumbled onto, addressed and worked over the past couple of years.

At the beginning of 2017, our membership was at 1,147 members. We currently have 1,109 active members and will be suspending 109 members for non-payment of dues at the end of the year, whom we have carried on our books for the past two years. If we do not lose any more members to the Black Camel, our numbers will drop to 1,001 on January 1, 2018!

Brother Nobles, we are all getting older and need to make every effort to bring in new members and embrace the Imperial Potentate’s “I AM COMMITTED NOW R U” program for membership. When I started in the line five years ago, we had over 1,800 members. From then until now, we have lost 691 members, and that is not counting the 109 that we will lose to non-payment of dues! Please make every effort to speak with your Blue Lodge brothers about joining the Shrine. Our future depends upon it.

Now, I would like to bring you up-to-date since my last message. On October 7th, we attended our eighth and final parade for the year in Granite Falls. There was a little rain, but we all made it thru. Thank you, to all the Units who have participated this season braving the rain and wind and cold, and also, enjoying the warm and sunny days. A tip of the fez to you all! Thank you, to all the Units who have participated this season braving the rain and wind and cold, and also, enjoying the warm and sunny days. A tip of the fez to you all! Thank you, thank you, thank you. Everyone always enjoys and looks forward to seeing the Nile Shriners in their parade! On the 11th, we had the Official Visit of the Grand Master, MWB Warren R. Schoebein and his Hand. Now, I would like to bring you up-to-date since my last message. On October 7th, we attended our eighth and final parade for the year in Granite Falls. There was a little rain, but we all made it thru. Thank you, to all the Units who have participated this season braving the rain and wind and cold, and also, enjoying the warm and sunny days. A tip of the fez to you all! Thank you, to all the Units who have participated this season braving the rain and wind and cold, and also, enjoying the warm and sunny days. A tip of the fez to you all! Thank you, thank you, thank you. Everyone always enjoys and looks forward to seeing the Nile Shriners in their parade! On the 11th, we had the Official Visit of the Grand Master, MWB Warren R. Schoebein and his...
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**Message From The Potentate (cont.)**

Lady Mary Jo. It was a wonderful evening showcasing our own Nile Piper, Noble Daniel C. “Dan” Boren, the Rainbow Girls, DeMolay and Job’s Daughters, as they performed one of their ritualistic ceremonies and ended with Noble Adam J. Creighton, playing the piano and singing for all in attendance. The month also showcased the Nile’s largest fundraiser for the year, our 7th Annual Haunted House, under the capable leadership of Noble Peter Pawlicki and Noble High Priest & Prophet, Michael J. Riley. Thank you, to all the volunteers who showed up to help-out in various capacities, who worked quietly behind the scenes and who gave of their time and energy. It is truly appreciated. The numbers are not all in yet, but I can tell you that it was our most successful to date, and to top it off, look for “Halloween in December” because Krampus is coming to town!

In November, on the 10th, we enjoyed the music of the Arlington High School Jazz Band, as they entertained us during the social hour and after dinner. These are very talented young musicians and will be returning next year to play during the Oriental Band’s Crab Feed in February. So, if you missed them this time, be sure to attend next year’s Crab Feed. On the 14th, we made our sixth and last Blue Lodge visit of the year as Shrine-Masons, to Damascus Lodge No. 199, and once again shared in brotherly love and friendship. On the 18th, we had a successful Fall Ceremonial, under the direction of Ill. Sir Richard M. Kovak, P.P., and welcomed 15 Nobles to the Nile family “officially”, with the exception of one imposter! A big thank you to all who participated: the Cast, Masters of Ceremonies, Ceremonial Robes and Makeup artists, the Oriental Band, Chanters, Greeters, Director’s Staff, Legion of Honor, Audio Coordination, Photographer, Daughters of the Nile, Ladies Oriental Shrine, Divan and Ladies. You all made it a special day for everyone, thank you, again. And if I missed anyone, I apologize.

In December, on the 8th, 9th, 15th and 16th, “Kramus is coming to town!” at the Nile. I hope that you have been good, otherwise, I wouldn’t want to be in your shoes. On the 10th, the Nile Clowns, along with the Ladies Oriental Shrine Clowns, will be putting on an Xmas Party for all the kids to enjoy. This event is open to the public. Please join us for a fun afternoon in the Ballroom from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. Our last Closed Stated Meeting for the year will be on the 13th. This is an important meeting for the Nobles to attend, as we will be having Elections and passing the Budget for 2018. A current dues card is required for entry. Zem Zem is at 5:00 p.m., Buffet Dinner at 6:00 p.m. and the meeting to follow at 7:00 p.m.

January 14th will be the Installation of Officers for the year 2018. Please plan to be in attendance to support our new leaders of the Nile.

As I close out my year, I would like to leave you with these final words of wisdom. While traveling in Europe in the fall of 1971, I stayed in a Youth Hostel in Florence (Frienze) Italy. On one of the walls, I noticed some words of wisdom that are just as true today, as they were in 1971. It was entitled “To Be Young”.

**To Be Young**

Youth is not only a period of our life; it is also an aspect of our intelligence, a characteristic of our will, a quality of our imagination, a richness of feelings.

Youth is courage overpowering timidity, love for adventures overpowering laziness.

Nobody becomes old for years passing, but only if one gives up his ideals.

Years draw wrinkles on our features, but giving up enthusiasm brings the wrinkles of the soul.

We shall be young till we have faith and old as soon as incertitude wins us. We shall be young till we have hope and old as soon as we lose it.

As long as our heart is sensible to beauty, to truth and courage, we shall be always young.

Brother Nobles and Ladies, may you always be young.

So Mote It Be

Yours in the faith,

Gale H. Kenney
Potentate 2017
From Your Recorder

It has been an honor to serve as your Recorder for the past two years. Treasurer, Noble Steve Kiely, and I have worked to stabilize the finances of our Shrine Center. At the time I am writing this, Nile holds over $550,000.00 in cash in our Fraternity and Golf Course Companies. Steve and I didn’t do this alone, however. We couldn’t have done our work without the complete support of your Divan and a cadre of willing volunteers.

As you are probably aware, our goal has been to have professional managers operate all of our business activities, thereby allowing your Divan to concentrate its efforts on growing our fraternity. To this end we have a golf course that is ably managed by our Golf Pro, Noble Joe Korn, and our Superintendent of Grounds, Pete Echols. Also, Lance Sawyer, owner of Northwest Specialty Events and Catering, contracts with Nile for the operations of catering, room rentals and operation of the #19 Bar & Grill. All three of these managers are making a significant contribution toward the future prosperity of Nile Shriners.

During the past two years, we have focused on rehabilitating the Shrine Center. Some of the upgrades include a new heating and cooling system for your ballroom, new roofs in the picnic area, a new roof on the Pro Shop, a new deck on the #19 Bar & Grill, a new deck on the Pro Shop, a new ventilation system for the #19 Bar & Grill kitchen, a new fairway mower, two new utility tractors, a new-to-Nile rough mower for the golf course, two vans donated by our Portland Shriners Hospital for Children, a fleet of 45 new rental golf carts and three new LED light towers for general lighting of the Nile grounds.

Some of the Nobles I especially want to thank for their efforts are;

- Noble Peter Pawlicki, High Priest & Prophet Michael Riley and Lady Kim for an amazing (and scary) Haunted House fundraiser.
- Illustrious Sir David Ramich for persuading the Divan that a Haunted House could be a significant fundraiser
- Noble George Young and Lady Suzanne for replacement of the #19 Bar & Grill deck.
- Noble George Young for all his support in keeping our plumbing and restrooms running and for following through on changing all our lighting to LED.
- Noble Arne Ringstad for his endless work on golf carts.
- Noble Arne Thorkildsen for his work on electrical matters.
- Noble, Mayor, Jerry Smith and Lady Judy for personally paying for refinishing our ballroom fireplace, upgrading much of our ballroom sound system and hauling debris from our storage areas.
- Noble Dale Newman, for continually checking our building for problems and fixing what he finds.
- Noble John Cohn for all his donations and work planting beautiful seasonal flowers and marking the parking lot at our Shrine Center.
- Lady Carol Lehner for her most generous donation, in memory of Noble Al Lehner, that has been partly used to replace the roofs in our picnic area and maintain the roof on our Shrine Center main building.
- Noble Tim Karas for his continued support of Nile’s DAD’s fund.
- The Nile Director’s Staff for their work in repairing the bridge on fairway #17 of the golf course and all their other labors to benefit Nile.
- The volunteers who have staffed the Nile office on Fridays.
- Noble George Young and Lady Suzanne for replacement of the #19 Bar & Grill deck.
- Treasurer, Noble Steve Kiely, for replacing the deck on the Pro Shop.
- Noble P. B. Nicholls for providing EMT services at all our events.
- The Nile Shurtah Unit for providing security at all Nile events.

This is not a complete list of those who deserve thanks.

There are a number of organizational changes that are still in process, and although Steve and I will no longer be working as Treasurer and Recorder, we plan on supporting our successors to help facilitate a smooth transition and continuation of what has been accomplished.

God bless you all. I wish you a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year!

Ill. Sir James L. Hutchins, Recorder

Grand Master’s Official Visit Oct. 11th

From left to right: Lady Jane Davis, Ill. Sir Gale H. Kenney, Noble Darrick Hayman, Lady Mary Jo, Grand Master Warren Schoeben, and Noble Jud Chapin

From a Shriner Kid

I have shared my story with a few Shriners, but now I would like to offer my testimony. I’ve been volunteering at the haunted house but I want to give more.

In 1976, I was nearly 2 years old. My family was relocating from a small town in Iowa to Iowa City. On the way there, our van overheated so we stopped at a truck stop in Cedar Rapids, IA. My dad got out to check the fluids and my mom sat me on the front seat and went inside.

The cover was removed from the "doghouse". One of the radiator hoses burst spraying me directly. I received 3rd degree burns over 87% of my body. I was heli-vaced to Iowa City and spent nearly 6 months in the hospital. I was not initially expected to survive. When I did survive, the bills were huge and insurmountable.

The Shriners heard of the accident and took care of all our bills. Shortly afterwards we moved to San Antonio, TX and my care continued at the Galveston burn center. I owe the Shriners a huge debt of gratitude. I would love the opportunity to give back and to share my story.

Thank you!
Barbi Mathisen (via Facebook)
Love Grows Miracles

Supporting research to develop innovative in utero procedures and treatments that will one day eliminate specific complex medical conditions, increase the number of healthy births, and give new hope to parents and families.

Anne Bergenske, First Lady of Shriners International, hopes that one day more children will be born healthy, and that the availability of improved treatments and procedures that can be performed before birth, will make this possible.

She has announced her fundraising program, Love Grows Miracles, which will provide funding through scholarships to support research being done by physicians and scientists at Shriners Hospitals for Children® to ensure healthy births and pave the way for the development of innovative treatments that may one day eliminate some birth disorders.

“Every parent hopes their child will come into this world healthy, and without difficulties. The researchers at Shriners Hospitals for Children are working hard to gain understanding that will help develop and refine in utero procedures, ultimately allowing more parents to experience the incomparable joy and wonder of a healthy newborn,” said Anne Bergenske, First Lady of Shriners International.

Whether the problem is spina bifida, cleft lip and palate, cerebral palsy, limb abnormalities, or any other of countless complex medical conditions, there will be solutions in the future. Science and research have the potential to provide answers that may one day eliminate the occurrence or development of these conditions.

“Let’s do more than imagine a world without birth disorders; let’s help make it a reality,” said First Lady Anne.

Research that Provides Answers

Shriners Hospitals for Children has a long history of conducting research that leads to new, innovative treatments that change lives. Since the first Shriners Hospital opened in 1922, our health care system has been responding to unmet medical needs of children, and providing answers and hope where there were none. That tradition continues as we seek to gain the knowledge and understanding necessary to ensure more babies are born healthy, without difficulties.

Support Our Fundraising Efforts

First Lady Anne invites you to join her in supporting the innovative research underway at Shriners Hospitals for Children that will one day lead to new and improved in-utero treatments and change the lives of countless children and families. Donations can be made during the First Lady’s visits or online at http://support.shrinershospitals.org/FirstLadyAnne.

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- Fredrick A. Peterson
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- Lyle H. Nelson
- Paul E. Russom
- John W. Dern-Palmer
- Charles M. Nohavec
- Phillip E. Tanton

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- William J. McGrath
- Frederick A. Maxam
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**Life/Per Capita Members (5)**
- Roy J. Keiser, Jr.
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- Edwin I. Miller
- Soo Pok Park

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**Living Past Potentates of Nile Temple**

- 1996: III. Sir Frederick H. Oliver
- 1997: III. Sir R. Wayne Duke
- 2001: III. Sir Carl L. Alexander
- 2005: III. Sir George H. Wohlleben
- 2007: III. Sir Richard E. Sardeson
- 2008: III. Sir Richard M. Kovak
- 2009: III. Sir Eugene “Gene” W. Gilbert
- 2010: III. Sir Saturo “Sat” Tashiro
- 2011: III. Sir David E. “Dave” Ramich
- 2012: III. Sir Roland D. Jennings
- 2013: III. Sir James L. Hutchins
- 2014: III. Sir Craig A. Jacobson
- 2015: III. Sir David M. Brady, Sr.
- 2016: III. Sir Donald E. Lane

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**Potentate’s Cruise for 2018**

We are planning a Potentate’s Cruise for June of 2018 to Western Alaska, a fourteen day event, that will leave from Seattle and go to Ketchikan, Tracy Arm, Juneau and Hoonah off Icy Strait and then across the Gulf of Alaska past the Barron Islands into Cook Inlet and 180 miles up the Inlet to Anchorage. The impact of the midnight sun is dramatic in Anchorage in June at Latitude 61.2 degrees North. We will be in Anchorage within ten days of the Summer Solstice. (i.e. longest day of the year). Long, hopefully sunny days, and a few hours of something similar to darkness. Bring sun glasses because the sun is always low in the sky. It seems to just go around the horizon.

From Anchorage back to Homer on the South West end of the Kenai Peninsula on Kachemak Bay then to Kodiak, Hubbard Glacier, Sitka, Victoria and Seattle.

So grab your hat and get a firm grip on whatever you hold sacred and plan to have some fun in Western Alaska.

Our Cruise Travel Agents are:

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on the internet: www.TravelwithAllenandKay.com

The cruise leaves Seattle June 4th and returns to Seattle June 18th, 2018.

Larry Bronner, Chief Rabban
New Noble Candidates (not in the order above)

Brent F. Arnold  
Jody L. Bossert  
Christopher A. Corbin  
Brendan Gramer  
Robert W. Guild  
John Hagman  
Douglas J. Kennedy  
Steven T. Littlewolf  
Brian D. Loomis  
William K. “Kirk” Munn  
James D. “Dale” Newman  
James C. Patterson  
Robert J. “Joe” Segrist  
John S. “Steve” Turley  
Gerald L. “Jerry” Seldon, PP (Imposter)

Ritualistic Cast of Actors

Potentate .............................. Illustrious Sir Richard M. Kovak, PP  
Assistant Rabban...................... Noble Renick “Ren” Hamil  
Oriental Guide......................... Noble Larry A. Bronner  
2nd Ceremonial Master............. Noble Ned E. Daniels  
Orator .................................. Noble Daniel C. “Dan” Boren  
1st Alchemist .......................... Noble Orville Stoner, Sr.  
Chief Rabban .......................... Noble Jimmy D. “Beau” Grant  
High Priest & Prophet............... Illustrious Sir Saturo “Sat” Tashiro, PP  
1st Ceremonial Master ............. Noble Jerrald R. “Jerry” Parton  
Marshal ................................. Noble Michael J. Riley  
Gonger ................................. Noble Larry J. Gillespie  
2nd Alchemist .......................... Illustrious Sir Gale H. Kenney

Acknowledgements

Master of Ceremonies............. Noble Thomas D. “Darrick” Hayman and Illustrious Sir Carl L. Alexander, PP  
Ceremonial Robes/Makeup .... Illustrious Sir Gerald L. “Jerry” Seldon, Sr., PP and Noble Gerald L. “JR” Seldon, Jr.  
Chanters ............................... President—Noble Robert M. “Bob” Starowski, Director—Noble Edward J. “Ed” Grimes  
Greeters ............................... President—Noble Tom C. Spinney  
Director’s Staff...................... Director—Noble George D. Young and the entire Director’s Staff  
Legion of Honor ...................... Commander—Noble Orville Stoner, Sr.  
Chaplain ............................... Noble C. Stephen Kiely  
Photographer .......................... Noble Joseph H. Oates  
Audio Coordination .............. Nobles Edward J. “Ed” Grimes and Robert M. “Bob” Starowski  
Shriners Hospitals ................. Noble J. Alfred “Al” Dillan, Jr.  
Daughters of the Nile .............. Queen Denice Tewalt  
Ladies Oriental Shrine ............ High Priestess, Lady Dani Haslan and Grand Second Ceremonial Lady, Lady Kate Kalmbach
Annual Election of Officers
December 13, 2017, 7:00 pm
Dues Card Required for Admittance

The annual election of officers of the Nile Shriners and the Representatives to the Imperial Session for the year 2018 will be held at the Stated Meeting, Wednesday, December 13, 2017, at the Nile Shrine Center. The By-Laws of Shriners International, an Iowa Corporation, under Section 325.11 provides:

325.11 Election Regulations - Amended 2011
(a) Electioneering. A candidate for an elected office in a Shrine Temple may print, publish and circulate during the year he is seeking the elected office, a resume consisting of his educational background, his vocational history, and his Masonic and Shrine record. Except as provided in the prior sentence, the printing, publication, circulating or distributing of resolutions, letters, tickets, e-mail or other devices by a Unit, Club, Noble or group of Nobles, suggesting, recommending, opposing, or containing the names of proposed candidates for office in the Temple is prohibited.

(b) Expenditures Prohibited. The expenditure of money for gifts, favors, or entertainment on behalf of a candidate for elected office is prohibited.

(c) Violation. For any violation of (a) or (b), the Imperial Potentate may suspend any offending Noble, and he may declare the election of the officers void and order a new election.

(d) Notice. At least one week prior to the annual meeting or any election, the Temple Recorder shall mail to each member a notice thereof containing this section.

James L. Hutchins, Recorder

Breathe on this Circle

If it turns green—you have the flu.
If it turns blue—you have a cold.
If it turns yellow—you have arthritis.
If it turns red—you have tired blood.

If nothing happens—you are in good health and can volunteer at the Nile Shrine in a Unit or Club.

A Big Thank You

I am happy to announce that our 7th annual 2017 Haunted House was a huge success! We had a record attendance and great weather for the event this year! Our unofficial tally of guests was over 9,000! We still have four more shows scheduled for December, so our total should end up closer to 10,000 total guests for the year.

We partnered with Radio Station KVRQ 98.9 "Everything that Rocks" this year. The partnership was beneficial to both parties and they have expressed their interest in working with us to make the 2018 season an even bigger and better promotional opportunity.

Thanks to all of our 2017 Sponsors! Please support our sponsors as a “thanks” for their involvement:

KVRQ 98.9 FM  Atmosfx  Cascade Ice
Chic fil A  Spirit Halloween  Value Village
Attention Span Games  Another Castle Arcade  Big E Ales
Tree House Dentistry

We are enjoying great success, but, in my opinion, the greatest success isn’t financial. The passion and involvement of the Nile Divan and Nobles and their families this year was unsurpassed. The event brought us all together working towards a common goal.

I personally want to thank:
Gale Kenney, Jim Hutchins, Steve Kiely, Michael and Kim Riley, Larry Gillespie, Larry and Annie Bronner, Laura VanDeventer, Jerry and Judy Smith and all the Nobles and their ladies and families who worked hard to make this year such a huge success. There are too many to list but all are just as important. A Special Thanks to all our Volunteers! Without them all this would not be possible.

This camaraderie and involvement extends further. We have gained many friends in the local community through these endeavors, and we have been able to create a robust and talented volunteer base. This community involvement benefits both the Nile and the community at large.

The event has grown into a great way for our members to interact with each other and their community, and to have fun doing it! This is our greatest success! Thank you all for your support!

See you in December for our Holiday Haunted House as we put on the final shows: December 8, 9, 15 and 16.

Peter Pawlicki, Producer
Nile Nightmares Haunted House

Blast from the Past—1908

A little SHRINER wearing his first PIN.
We would like to acknowledge the following Nobles who are celebrating their birthdays in the months of December & January:

**December**

- Ralph T. Van Degrift
- Wayne A. Donelson
- Marvin P. Wilson
- Albert K. Gustafson
- John A. Kraski
- Karl F. Kern
- John A. Shearer
- Kenneth W. Tuttle
- Homer E. Lockett
- Gary E. Kuntz
- Ralph V. Davis
- Loyd G. Stacks
- Noel R. Martinez
- Joseph H. Oates
- Fred S. Wagner
- Don G. Lyman
- Leslie F. Schwartz
- Richard Woeck
- Robert H. Randall
- Laurence W. Fowler
- Donald D. Zenger
- Jim P. Osnes
- Bryan D. Baldwin
- Jimmy D. Grant
- Dennis J. Archambault
- Sheldon S. Pritchard, Jr.
- Daniel G. Hernandez
- Thomas Opstad
- Keith E. Roper
- Samir F. Aboulhoson
- Mohinder S. Cheema
- Jody L. Bossert
- Tye B. Hodgin
- Harold H. Mitchell
- Donald G. King
- Michael H. Johnson
- James L. Grubbs
- Jim Baker
- David B. Pennington
- Kent H. Einarsen
- D. R. McMillan
- Oliver R. Bishop
- Gary J. Tennison
- Albert M. Ward
- Edward A. Clifford
- Richard A. Tonkin
- Frank A. Morrow
- Gerald L. Seldon, Jr.
- Kristopher M. Lane
- Catalino B. Rodriguez, Jr.
- Franklin Z. Littaua
- Chris A. Parker
- William A. Harris
- Robert J. Schwartz
- Terry L. Rockney
- Kenneth D. Wehl
- Robert W. Guild
- Haskel E. Howard
- Alden D. Sarmiento
- James D. Newman
- William H. Richey
- Eric C. Busby
- Edward J. Beauaurier
- Francis J. Hughes
- Daniel K. Emadi
- Gerald R. Severson
- Edwin J. Miller
- Robert Smith
- Donald R. Mosley
- Jerry V. Harrison, Jr.
- William K. Munn
- Eugene F. Fox
- Christy Choy
- Nelson O. Aquino
- Jess H. Brecht
- Corwin E. Hedges
- Joseph L. Bennett
- Paul E. Russom
- Lloyd W. Roll
- Federico S. Victoria, Jr.
- Richard Von Wittkamp
- Frederick H. Oliver, PP
- Joseph R. Smith
- Lyle E. Rommer
- Gary R. Mudd
- Harold L. Hann
- Walter A. Bigham
- Joseph Smith
- Ron R. Telles
- Roy D. Heberling
- Warren C. Nielsen
- Wayne A. Mulholm
- Raymond E. Warren
- William F. Pepperell
- Homer J. Beathe
- William A. Erickson

**January**

- Jimmy L. Wolfenbarger
- Worth H. Norton
- Pacifico C. Deguzman
- Randall K. Rauschmier
- William C. Ellzey
- James C. Norton, Jr.
- Harold W. Best
- Merle M. Milfs
- Stephen E. Decker
- James G. Uren
- Jeffrey S. Freimund
- Jerry E. Smith
- Richard W. Thompson
- Steven L. Daze
- William D. Dodd, Jr.
- Jack A. Seims
- Gerald M. Cluph
- Drew C. Coleman
- Mack A. Carroll
- Don L. Baldwin
- Ben R. Stagner
- Lawrence C. Stokes
- Lance B. Schwartz
- Donald S. Chapman, Sr.
- Lanny B. Kee
- Justin P. Wojlaw
- Jerry L. Bragg
- Steven M. Wilt
- Ralph A. Bruksos
- Mark J. Brown, Jr.
- Edward Tai-Hay Wen
- James A. Watson
- George A. Pirrie, Jr.
- Kenneth M. Lane
- Roy P. Peterson
- Bryan D. Bechler
- Roy J. Keiser, Jr.
- Raymond A. Eriksen
- Tommy C. Caldwell
- Alfred K. Mathisen
- William D. Mueller IV
- Peter F. Anderson
- Don N. Gill
- Dale E. Robinson
- Darrel J. Tobias
- Charles R. Pennewell
- John M. Kennedy, Jr.
- Dennis A. Ramsey
- John E. Ruthford
- Gerald E. Hamburg
- Donald E. Moore
- James C. Taylor
- Charles A. Loney
- Warren F. Jones
- Jack W. Hendrickson
- Carl B. Smith
- Elmer J. Jenson
- Albert E. Falsetto
- Daniel J. Twohig
- Gary R. Langenbach
- Mark E. Demeritt
- Jose A Sta Cruz
- Alonzo C. Mason II
- Todd Mears
- Loren D. Ruud
- Robert E. Gunther
- Charles B. Flickinger, Jr.
- Virg. J. Prodigalidad
- John Ruiz, Jr.
- Frederic J. Wolfstone
- David E. Entrican
- Larry J. Gillespie
- David A. Smith
- Leroy D. Massey
- Robert A. Wilkie
- Ned E. Daniels
- Bruce C. Garner
- Donald D. Anderson
- James N. Reid, Jr.
- J. C. Huggins
- Timothy W. Bangle
- Warren J. Gilbert, Jr.
- Ray R. Hall
- Russel T. Weston
- Thomas R. Bice
- Brent F. Arnold
- Charles C. Cook, Sr.
- Camden L. Hardy
- William R. Head
- John R. Sleeth
- Wayne C. Adams
- Harold E. Salsbury

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**Membership Data**

As of December 31, 2016 ............................. 1,151 Nobles

- Regulars .............................. 1,141
- Associates ............................. 10

- Months of October & November
  - Creations ...................... 1
  - Affiliations .................. 2
  - Restorations .................. 0
  - Demits ......................... -1
  - Suspensions ................... 0
  - Expired ........................ 1
  - Resigned ........................ 1

- Regulars .............................. 1,097
- Associates ............................. 13

As of November 16, 2017 ............................. 1,110 Nobles

- Number of impending suspensions at year end .... 109

**Noble Age Breakdown**

- 22 to 39 .............................. 28
- 40 to 59 ............................ 138
- 60 to 79 ............................ 510
- 80 plus ............................. 446

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**Thank You for the Flowers**

Earth laughs in flowers.
- Ralph Waldo Emerson, "Hamatreya"

"Where flowers bloom so does hope."

Thank you, John and Elaine Cohn for brightening up the Nile’s grounds with many flower donations throughout the years!
Our beloved brethren live on in their influence on our lives and their memories in our hearts. They are not forgotten.

Thurston H. Dickason (6/15/2017)
Doric Lodge No. 92—Seattle, WA

Robert D. Lowe (9/12/2017)
Delta Lodge No. 172—Seattle, WA

R. Dale Flualit (9/26/2017)
Fidalgo Lodge No. 77—Anacortes, WA

John M. Ebert (9/14/2017)
Arcana Lodge No. 87—Seattle, WA

Ray R. Hall (unknown)
Steadfast Lodge No. 216—Bremerton, WA

If you know of a fellow Noble who has passed away, please notify the Nile office so that we give them the proper recognition.

Congratulations!

We would like to acknowledge the following Nobles who recently received, or are about to receive, a 25- or 50-year pin for years of uninterrupted membership with Nile Shrine.

25 Years
- William O’Halloran, Jr.
- Barry Long
- Robert F. Ferguell
- Steven W. Schaaf
- Paul R. Ashman
- Hans E. Hansen
- Camden L. Hardy
- Michael D. Joslin
- Jerry L. Bragg
- Harold W. Best
- Lawrence M. Roberts
- Lon K. Woitte
- Stephen Geyer
- Richard A. Tonkin
- Alastair M. Hunter
- Jeffrey S. Freimund

50 Years
- James T. Stephens, Jr.
- Dale C. Bedal
- Gary A. Card
- Russell A. Davis
- Ellis H. Corets
- Frank J. Walters
- Oliver R. Bishop
- Charles D. Draper
- James K. Hayakawa
- Albert M. Robinson
- James S. Perry
- Howard K. Byer
- Joseph L. Jenkins
- Richard L. Kerr
- Michael Sanft
- Sandy R. Merns
- Donald E. Kelson
- David A. Clarke, Jr.
- Ralph C. Olson, Jr.
- Charles H. Simonson

Haunted House General—$3,656.50
- John Cohn
- Peter Anderson
- Norm Wold
- Lloyd Rill
- Gary Mudd
- Virgil Mudd
- Thomas Settle
- George Wandel
- Arthur Palmer
- Thomas Spinney
- Lanny Kee
- David Pennington
- William Smith
- Ray Peterson
- James Parker
- Donald Stuitter
- Tree House Dentistry for Kids
- John Wiles
- Rolando Ignacio
- Arne Thorkildsen
- Dick Sardeson
- Richard Gerber
- John Beitaler
- Donald King
- Jo Ann Shaw
- Amos Chapman
- Scott Wells
- Another Castle Arcade Edition
- Dick Sherwood
- Travis Dean
- Taichi Nomi
- Joseph Bennett
- Darryl Gehring
- Merle Milfs
- Karen Watson
- David Coghll
- Garold Prouty

Do you have your 25- or 50-year pin coming to you? Please the Nile Office at 425-774-9611 ext 201.

Welcome!

We would like to welcome those Nobles who have either joined or rejoined Nile in October/November 2017.

Congratulations
- Douglas J. Kennedy
- Donald E. Downing
- Alfredo C. Lopez

Affiliations
- Mike Schwab

DAD Fund—$2,552
- Norm Wold
- Donated Fair Wages
- Larry & Annie Bronner
- Donated Fair Wages
- Tim Karas
- Barry Long
- In Memory of Bert Carlson
- Renton Shrine Club
- D. J. Synnott
- Denise Lane
- Jim McKenziel
- Hatsu Temple No. 1—Daughters of the Nile

October & November Donations
- Shriners Hospital—$8,050.85
- Don Lyman
- Harold Campbell
- Jerry Sheller
- Taichi Nomi
- Amos Chapman
- Dean Smyth
- Stephen Urner, Jr.
- William Hartley, Sr.
- Jeffrey Freimund
- William Olsen
- Frank Perkins
- Patrick Rimmer
- Kay Norman
- Arne Thorkildsen
- Barry Long
- In Memory of Jess Dawson
- Mar Villa Tapawan
- Bruce A. Sardeson
- In Celebration of Richard E. Sardeson’s 85th Birthday
- Donald Wilson
- Tommy Cheng
- Howard Wilson
- Gary Kunz
- William O’Halloran, Jr.
- Teri Neubert
- In Honor of Tyler Cowan

$100 Million Dollar Club—$300
- Barry Long
- In Memory of Ed Thornton
- Dick Sherwood
- In Memory of Don Cameron, PP
- Garold Prouty

General Fund—$831
- Matthew Savarino
- Thomas Spinney
- Taichi Nomi
- Sol Gerstenfeld
- Amos Chapman
- James Parker
- Stephen Urner, Jr.
- Fischer Plumbing
- William Olsen
- Hatsu Temple No. 1—Daughters of the Nile
- Raymond Warren
- Keeth Roper
- Daniel Boren
- Tommy Cheng
- Donald Beck

Special Thank You To:
- Robert Speer for donating $1,000 to Shriners Hospitals for Children in memory of Jess Dawson.
- Howard Wilson for donating $3,000 to Shriners Hospitals for Children.
- Teri Neubert for donating $2,000 to Shriners Hospitals for Children in honor of Tyler Cowan.
Oriental Band

As we finish out the last few weeks of 2017 and start to look to the successes to come in 2018, I would like to invite you to join Nile’s Oriental Band. Our group is committed to having fun, spreading the word of Shrinedom and advertising the 22 hospitals that we all support. The OB, of course, participates in parades, and we also host a crab feed in February. We cook at the Nile Family Picnic and sell corn during the Evergreen State Fair in Monroe. Every ounce of effort that we as a unit put forth is to support the temple, the fraternity, and the hospitals. We also work hard to produce the best music you will ever hear this side of heaven (I say that facetiously. Have you ever heard us play???)

We have all kinds of activities available for every Noble to participate in. If you are musically inclined, that is great. If not, don’t worry; most of the band isn’t musically inclined!! If you have never played a musical instrument, we can start you at any level. We need tambourine players, cymbal players, and drum players. We will train you! If you have some musical talent or experience, maybe you would like to try out the musette. It is like a clarinet or recorder that you may have played as a child. But if you have no desire to learn or play any music, but are still interested in joining, we do have one non-musical position that is vital to the success of the band: we need someone to be our driver in parades. Our Oriental Band trailer is about 40 feet long and many of us just don’t have the experience driving something that large. If this is a skill that you have, we can still use you!!

The Oriental Band meets every Monday in the band room in the basement of the Temple. Please stop by and join us. Simply take the elevator to the bottom. Zem-Zem starts at about 5:00 or so with our basement of the Temple. Please stop by and join us. Simply take the elevator to the bottom.

Noble Darrick Hayman

“Have you paid your 2018 Nile Membership Dues yet?
Deadline for your dues payment is
December 31, 2017.
After that, they are considered delinquent.
Please pay on time.”

Women’s Division, Nile Golf Club

Our 2017 season is now completed. We had a good year, thanks in part to the enthusiastic new members who joined us last spring and to the leadership of our Captain Margot Winter. In addition to our weekly Tuesday morning golf games, we had several events attended by both our golfing members and our social members. These included our “Golf spring get-together in May, Fall Field Day in September, Halloween Party in October and Trophy Luncheon in December. We also did our annual registration and sandwich assembling for Navy Day in August.

We celebrated another event in August, a very special party in honor of the 100th birthday of our long-time member, Criss Best. Criss has played with the Nile Ladies Golf Club for many years, holding the record for the most number of holes-in-one (3), and served as the enthusiastic mentor to most of us. When a group would go on a golf trip to Leavenworth or Sequim overnight, Criss would always be along. When 18 holes became a bit much for her, she organized and led a 9-hole division. We still have four members, including Criss, that play 9 holes on Tuesday mornings when the weather is good. She is still a snowbird who leaves for Arizona in October. Her return to us each May is always a cause for celebration. She is, and has always been, a woman of strength and an inspiration to us all.

Elaine Cohn

Ladies Oriental Shrine

Ahmes Ct. 41

Mark your calendars for some fun. December 2nd is Ladies Oriental Shrine Holiday party at Nile Shrine Center, contact Lady Barbara Albertine at 206-546-3026 for reservations and tickets. December 10th is the annual Children’s Christmas Party at the Nile Shrine Center hosted by the LOS Clown Unit and the Nile Shrine Clown Units. This is a free event for children with free Santa photos, a Magician, coloring table, cookie frosting table and face painting. There will be a show at 1:00 pm and the party last until 3:00 pm. Bring your children and tell all your friends.

Ladies Oriental Shrine meets regularly on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. Next regular meeting is December 13th, at the Shoreline Scottish Rite building. January 10th is a very special meeting because we are installing several new members. We have many units to join and they are as follows: Patrol, Oriental Band, Oriental Dancers, Clowns, Pageantry, Nomads, Damons and everyone belongs to sewing, and also like the other units, they meet at a regular time each month, and they make items for the hospital (sewing not required)

Contact Lady Dani Haslan High Priestess 206-747-4848 for additional information. Ladies Oriental Shrine is a place to meet friendly and wonderful ladies. We would love to have you join our group of ladies. If you are interested in joining again, contact, Lady Dani Haslan, High Priestess, 206-747-4848

Nile #19 Bar & Grill

Hours
November 1
Monday & Tuesday: Closed
Wednesday and Thursday: 10 am - 4 pm
Friday thru Sunday: 8 am - 4 pm
Hours Subject to Change

Shirlee Davis presents Criss’ 100th birthday cake while Melissa Korn captures the moment on her phone.
Temple Belles

Open to all Nile Ladies who want to be informed, involved and/or just want to have fun.

Tuesday, January 23, 2018
11:30 am in the 19th Bar & Grill for a no host lunch.

Hope to see you all there.

Any questions, call Annie Bronner, 360-658-8304 or picketb18@gmail.com

We will also be doing the Smile with Nile mailing at 10:00 am, January 30. If you would like to help, we would love to have you.

Nile Installation of Officers 2018

The Nile Shrine Installation for 2018 will be held on Sunday, January 14th, 2018. We will have Zem Zem at 1:00 pm with brunch at 1:30 pm and Installation at 2:30 pm. Cost for the luncheon will be $20 and we are asking for reservations so we can have a shot at controlling the food for the amount of people and our costs.

Please call the office and talk to Laura at 425-774-9611 ext. 201.

I am looking forward to seeing you there.

Chief Rabban Larry Bronner & Lady Annie

Eastside Shrine Club

Because the Holidays are always busy, it was decided that our meeting, which was held on November 15, 2017, be the last one for the year.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 24th.

The Eastside Shrine Club is a gathering of Nobles and Ladies from a large geographical area, and YOU are invited. Hope to see YOU at our next meeting at the “Big Fish Restaurant” in Kirkland.

Noble Jim Hart, Jr.
Secretary/Treasurer

Renton Shrine Club

Everyone is invited to join the Renton Shrine Club on Thursday, December 7 for its Holiday Party. Yes, it is Pearl Harbor Day and that historic event will be observed, but ‘tis the month for celebrating and having some fun. So that will be on the agenda as well. We meet at Plum Delicious Family Restaurant in the Renton Highlands, 3212 NE Sunset Blvd. Arrive about 6:00 for Zem Zem. We’ll order off the menu (great comfort food, reasonably priced) about 6:20 with the meeting about that time and then reopening after dinner. A good time is guaranteed!

The next club meeting will be on Thursday, January 4, 2018 with the same time and location as above. For our theme, think “winter!”

If you’d like to receive our club newsletter via email, send a message to andy@tawndog.com.

If you notice an error or omission from the calendar, please notify the Nile Shrine Center Office: office@nileshriners.org  |  425-774-9611 ext. 201
A Christmas Party

Free Community Event—December 10, 2017
Bring your Family & Friends

* Visit with Santa Claus & his Elves *
* Watch a Magician Show *
* Caroling, Face Painting & Coloring *
* Hot Cocoa Bar & Cookies *

Show begins at 1:00 pm until 3:00 pm

Nile Shrine Center
6601—244th St SW
Mountlake Terrace

Hosted by:
Men’s Nile & Lady Shriners Clown Units
Questions call Colleen Bowen—425-640-6962

From Everyone at the Nile Temple,
Have a Wonderful Holiday Season!

Go to: NILENIGHTMARES.COM for more information