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** NOBLES TAKE DUE NOTICE **

Official Call of the Potentate

Notice is hereby given that a stated meeting of Cyprus Shriners will be held at the time and place shown below for the transaction of such business as may come before the Temple.

Wednesday, December 12, 2018 7:30 PM
Election of Officers
Adoption of the 2019 Budget

Cyprus Shrine Center
9 Frontage Road
Glenmont, NY 12077

Ill Sir David M. Unser, Sr	Attest: Karl J Koch P.P.
Potentate	Recorder

MEMBERSHIP, MEMBERSHIP, MEMBERSHIP

2018 Membership Status

January 1 2018 Membership	**468**
Creations	19
Affiliations	2
Restorations	4
Total Added	**25**
Demits	8
Suspensions	4
Expired	17
Resigned	3
Total Dropped	**32**
October 31 2018 Membership	**461**

Potentate's Message

This will be the last Cyprus Newsletter for 2018 making this my last Potentate's message. I want to thank the membership for allowing me serve as Potentate this year. My mantra for this year has been Value for Membership and I hope that we were able to succeed. We certainly had plenty of events. Some worked out better than others and we as the Divan learned a thing or two. I have to thank my elected Divan for there dedication to the cause and all the help working at or running different events throughout the year. Cyprus is in good hands for years to come. I think Chief Rabban Bob Baker and I spent more time together traveling around the realm to NYOSA events, Shrine Clubs and Temple events than we did with our Ladies this year! If you have met Bob you know that he is dedicated to Cyprus and Shrinedom in general. I can't think of a better man to pass the baton to than my good friend and Brother Noble, Bob Baker.

Lady Karene has asked me to pass on these thoughts in regards to the Paint and Sip Lady's Program to benefit the Cleft Lip and Pallet. "Thank you to all the Ladies who came out to participate and have some fun! A special thank you goes out to Lady Sarah Khoury without who's amazing talent there would have only been sipping and no painting not to mention the wonderful paintings she has provided as prizes. There are still tickets available and the winner will be drawn at the Installation of Officers in January. Mary Ellen Baker, Beverly Baker and Betty Koch all made an excellent variety of food for the Paint and Sip. We can't forget to thank the Nobles who helped out at the event. Nick "The Animal " Furnari did an amazing job setting up, cleaning up and attending to the every need of the Ladies. Dave and Bob helped to….."

Please look to the Chief Rabban's article for information on the remaining events/meetings for this year. We would love to see all your smiling faces at the Election of Officers on December 12, 2018 where the proposed budget for 2019 will be presented.

Yours in the Faith,

Illustrious David M. Unser, Sr.

Proposed amendment to Cyprus Shriners Bylaws to be voted on at the Temple Meeting on December 12, 2018

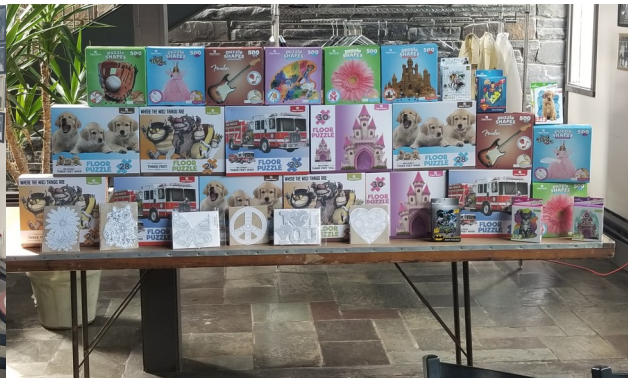
Article V Initiation Fees, Dues, Per Capita, Hospital Levy

Section 5.2 Dues (a) Suspension for nonpayment. A member who is two years arrears in his dues is suspended, pursuant to the procedure recited in the bylaws of Shriners International, unless the temple votes to remit his dues.

Proposed amendment shall read (change italicized):

Section 5.2 Dues (a) Suspension for nonpayment. A member who is ***one*** year arrears in his dues is suspended, pursuant to the procedure recited in the bylaws of Shriners International, unless the temple votes to remit his dues.

Marvia Court No. 27, Ladies' Oriental Shrine donates to Shriner's Hospital Springfield.



Chief Rabban's Musings

My fellow Nobles of Cyprus Shrine,

Well here we are in the middle of Autumn. Even though there is a chill in the air there is plenty of events to warm the Nobility with fraternal friendship and fellowship.

The Fall NYOSA Meeting in Saratoga was an event not to be missed. Members from every Temple in New York and Ontario, Canada were there. Great ideas were discussed at the meeting on Saturday, an afternoon walking around beautiful downtown Saratoga, a fun Track themed dinner dance that night and maybe a nightcap in the Hospitality Room before turning in were the order of the day. If the Imperial Lady is reading this, I still think you deserved that handbag.

Our Potentate put forth a trestleboard that was chock full of fun events for our entire Shrine family this year. While it was a challenge to pull off I think it was a success.

But wait there are still some great opportunities to spread the warmth of Shrinedom to our friends and families.

First we have the Annual Cyprus Christmas Party on December 9th (details on Page 5). This event is open to family and friends of Cyprus as well as our Masonic Family. What a great chance to share what the Shrine is to a potential member and his family. We'll have food, beverages, homemade cookies and maybe a visit from Old Saint Nick himself.

To end the year we will, again, be hosting a New Year's Eve party at the Shrine Center (details on Page 7). If you were there last year you know what a great time it was. Who could forget Noble Mark Scarselli's pocket square. I'm still seeing spots. Don't worry about driving we have a special rate at the hotel across the street from the Shrine Center, so come out and have some fun.

These events provide lots of laughs and many great memories. I've always said: "If it ain't fun, it ain't worth doing" and these events are fun!

Our Annual Temple Meeting, open to Nobles only, will be on December 12th where we will elect the leadership of Cyprus for 2019 and vote on the 2019 budget. This is an important meeting for you to attend to see who will lead YOUR Temple and where YOUR dues money is going.

This will be my last article as your Chief Rabban and I would like to thank the Nobility for allowing me to serve. It was a lot of work, but the fun I have had and friends that I have made over the year have made it worth every minute.

See you at the Shrine.

Bob Baker, Chief Rabban

IN MEMORIAM

Since our last newsletter the following Nobles were called to the Celestial Lodge.

Noble Herbert Schnitzer
Noble Neal Higgins
Noble Duff Neeley
Ill. Ernest Tiebout

When Allah calls, then our friends obey,
And fold their tents and steal away,
To the land where the crystal waters flow,
Where the beautiful Palms of Allah grow.

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While you are on WebFez, please take a minute to update your personal info by adding a cell phone and/or email address and making sure your mailing address is correct.

This is the info we use to contact our members and we will be adding a text reminder service in the near future for Nobles to sign up for.

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Cyprus Shriners
Christmas Party
DECEMBER 9, 2018 1PM - 5PM
Food and Beverages Provided
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Reservations by 12/2/2018 to
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Around the Realm

Ulster County Shrine Club at Diamond Mills in Saugerties

Ladies Paint and Sip

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Springfield Hospital News

Noah's Story

There was no doubt in our minds that we would be going to the Springfield Shriners Hospital when I found out at my 20-week ultrasound that our son Noah had a right clubfoot. Noah had his very first appointment at the hospital when he was ten days old. We went through the normal clubfoot steps of treatment, meaning 12 weeks of casts, boot and bars, more casts and more boot and bars, none of which corrected Noah's foot. He was then placed into an Ankle-Foot Orthoses (AFO) for a few years to maintain and hold the position of the foot to prevent a recurrence of the clubfoot.

Throughout this process, nothing stopped Noah from learning how to crawl and walk on schedule. He rode a bike, ran around with his friends and played any sport he wanted to sign up to play.

After about 6 years of trying different ways to accommodate Noah's active lifestyle and support his foot and ankle, the doctors at Shriners Hospital brought up the topic of amputation. At first, we were shocked and saddened to hear the news that there was not anything else we could do to save his foot. Up until this point in time, we had no surgeries and we were very scared at the thought. Over the span of 3 years, we went to many amputation clinics, did lots of research and even got a second opinion, but it all led us back to Shriners Hospital in Springfield. Amputation is a major decision, and it was ultimately the very best decision for Noah's quality of life. All of the issues with his foot and leg length discrepancy were solved with one surgery.

On June 16, 2015 Noah had his Symes amputation. He took the summer to recuperate and in the fall, he started 4th grade on time with a prosthetic leg. Ever since his surgery, he has continued to play soccer, basketball, baseball, football and swim. He may not do things exactly like his friends, but we always figure out a way for him to do anything he sets his mind to.

In our small town of Northfield, Massachusetts, Noah is the only child with a prosthetic, so it is nice to see other kids not be afraid to ask him questions.

I would like to thank the entire staff of Shriners Hospital for their endless compassion and love for all of their patients. Each and every one of you make coming to the hospital as a patient and parent effortless. Noah is now 12 years of age, just entered the 7th grade, and is thriving.

Shriners Hospitals for Children®— Springfield

You are cordially invited to

Cyprus Shriners Installation of Officers

When: Saturday, January 12, 2019 at 3:00

Where: Cyprus Shrine Center, 9 Frontage Rd., Glenmont

At the conclusion of the Installation Ceremony, the Potentate and the members of the Elected and Appointed Divan welcome all Nobles, Ladies, Families, and Friends to enjoy hors d'oeuvres and an open bar.

Reservations are needed.

Dress for the afternoon will be tuxedo or dark suit for the gentlemen and comfortable cocktail attire for the ladies.

For reservations contact:
518-436-7892 or recorder@cyprusshriners.com

Upcoming Events

November

9	Ulster County Shrine Club Meeting Frank Guido's Little Italy, Kingston
21	Divan Meeting 7:30PM

December

2	Cabiri and Divan Meeting
9	Temple Christmas Party *Details on Page 5*
12	Temple Meeting 7:30 pm - Election of Officers and Approval of the Budget - Cyprus Shrine Center
19	Divan Meeting 7:30PM
31	Cyprus New Years Eve Party at the Cyprus Shrine Center *Details on Page 7*

January

12	Cyprus Installation of Officers *Details on Page 9*

***** Get the Cyprus App for more Info *****

Roast the Potentate Dinner

Sunday, November 11, 2018

Cyprus Shrine Center

$50 per ticket

CANCELLED

6:00 - 7:00
Hors d'Oeuvres

7:00 - 9:00
Roast of the Potentate

Master of Ceremonies: Comedian Steve Van Zandt

Join us for a fun evening of good natured ribbing of our Potentate. There is so much material that we are finding it hard to fit it all in one night.

There will be Hors d'Oeuvres and Open Bar all evening.

Tux or Dark Suit for the Men and a Dress for the Ladies

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Meetings 1st Thursday of every Month.
Call for location

Shepherds Club

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