



THE FEZ

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The Shriners' Pledge

I pledge allegiance to my flag
and to the country for which it
stands, one nation, under
G-D, indivisible, with liberty
and justice for all.

I would like to thank all of the people who attended the Open Installation for the Kismet Divan on January 3rd in Hicksville. There were over 80 people in attendance that evening. A special thanks to our Installation team of Ill. Charlie Schueler, Jr. and Ill. George Wacob. They both did a wonderful job that evening installing the newly elected Divan.

As most of you are aware we have opened up Club Kismet on the 3rd Floor. We recently added a Pool table to the Club and we can thank Raaj Panday for the donation of that table to the Club. Our East End Shrine club donated 3 of the televisions to the Club and I would like to thank the members for their generosity. We have also ordered a poker card table for the card players. Delivery is anticipated in the next 2 weeks. I want to personally invite the Kismet card players to Kismet Club. It is the Divans hope that Kismet Club will become your place of choice to spend time with other Nobles and friends for years to come.

The contract for the Security cameras and the access system has been given out and work should be completed around the 1st of March. Those of you interested in getting key fobs to access the building will need to see our Recorder at the next meeting. Details will be available at our General membership meeting in March.

For those of you who do not have a Kismet nametag please see our Director Leo Johnson. If he does not have one for you he will order it for you and you will have the next time you are there. The nametags are free to all Kismet Shriners.

Our Masters and Wardens Brunch is on Saturday March 19, 2011 at 11AM - 2 PM. I have invited all of the Masters and Wardens from our area and many of the Grand Line members will be there including our M.: W.: Vincent Libone and the R.: W.: Bill Thomas. Please encourage your Masters and Wardens from your respective Lodges to attend this event.

The month of March also brings a Wine & Cheese tasting event on Sunday March 13. A flyer is included in this Fez. Please come out with your Ladies for this event. Our Asst. Rabban Micheal Iannone has planned a great event to enjoy with your Ladies. I hope to see you all there.

Please keep those petitions coming in. We only have 2 more meetings left to vote on new members prior to the Ceremonial in April.

The Potentates Ball is Saturday June 4th, 2011. See the flyer in the Fez for details. As many of you already know we will be having the Ball at our Temple in Hicksville. Please make your reservations early. See our Recorder to make your reservations. There will be a Potentates Journal this year and I would ask each of you to ask your Lodges, Clubs, Units and Organizations to take an ad out to support Kismet Temple. Any size ad will be greatly appreciated.

As you have all seen this Divan has already gotten many things accomplished in a short time. We are a cohesive group with one Mantra "Move Kismet Forward". I would like to ask the Clubs for their support and help during the course of the year to help and make the year a success. I ask each and every member of Kismet to help us this year with membership, attending events and supporting the Greatest Philanthropy, Shriners Hospitals for Children. Together we can build Kismet Temple for the future & help the Shrine Children! God bless Kismet Temple, the Shrine and the children!!



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NOTES FROM THE DIVAN

Chief Rabban

Apologies go out for all of the typos and errors in the previous (and my first ever) Fez newsletter. I am, as we say, a rough ashlar... imperfect yet trying my best.

Thank you to everyone who's been coming out to support our events at the Shrine. Your Divan members have been, and will continue, working hard to bring fun and entertaining happenings. Keep an eye on our upcoming events and remember that Kismet is family-friendly, so bring along kids when you can.

If you haven't been coming out on non-meeting Mondays, give it a try. Come relax, have a snack and a drink (soft or hard) and enjoy the fellowship that is ever growing here at Kismet.

I'd also like to thank those Nobles who've come out to my Blue Lodge to support the two new Entered Apprentices who've come in. You're making a big difference in the life of a new Brother!

Assistant Rabban

Nobles, the year has just begun and it feels like it is starting to pick up speed, spring is around the corner, and before you know it, the Imperial will be here. But first I have a very special event to invite you to, Kismets wine tasting. This will be the full monty, we will have an assortment of wines to taste and any unopened bottles will be available for sale. There will be a cheese board and hot Italian food after the tasting, making for a full afternoon of socializing. This will be the best twenty five dollars you spend all year, so don't get shut out, call now to reserve your spot ((917) 297-6808). See you on Sunday, March 13.

High Priest and Prophet (Prophetable Words)

Kismet Shrine has had an exciting 2011 and only two months have passed. January saw the installation of Divan Officers in the new Club Kismet and February started off with the Super Bowl Party. Both events were exciting. The Installation of Divan Officers led by the Illustrious Charles Schueler was fun and well attended. The new Club Kismet was opened and on display for all Nobles, their family and friends. Nobles from Mecca attended to support the newly elected Divan and Kismet in turn supported our Mecca brothers by attending their installation.

The Club has gotten a fair amount of use since the beginning of the year. Football playoff party's for the New York Jets saw many Nobles and friends come together and watch two exciting games, break bread and share some good cheer. The Super Bowl party was our first chance to do some fundraising for Kismet Shrine. As the chairman for this event I wanted something different than just hero sandwiches. I want to thank the Culinary Unit again for the excellent job on providing the wide variety of hot food enjoyed by all who attended. The buffalo wings, venison chili, sausage & peppers and pulled pork were big hits that night. The Super Bowl Party raised \$600 and a full report delivered to the Nobles at the February stated meeting. Again, thank you to all who attended and all who helped with the clean up. I am looking forward to the wine tasting night, March 13th, chaired by our Assistant Rabban. I hope everyone will come out and support him in this planned event.

I attended orientation training for my associate membership appointment to the Board of Directors of the Shriner's Hospital for Children in Boston. As I announced to the Nobles in October 2010, I will arrange a tour of the hospital for any Noble and you can sit in on the general meeting of the Board of Directors. I have room for two people in my car and I leave at 4:30am. You will arrive home the same day between 8pm and 9pm.

Finally, calling all Nobles, the Chief Rabban and I are cataloguing the photographs and other artifacts we have been uncovering in the Basement of our Shrine Temple. Kismet Temple has a fantastic history. I am having our Charter from 1888 framed for display and I would like any Noble who wants to share a memory to please contact myself or Noble Russell Magidson. Contributions of stories, photographs, Ceremonial programs, Shrine circus programs, etc are all wanted so our Nobles will know the pride and glory that is Kismet Temple.



NOTES FROM THE DIVAN

Oriental Guide

Greetings all Nobles:

All is going well at our oasis! Our building is new and improved. Be it cold, rain or snow, our Club Kismet is open every Monday.

Please come wine and dine with us and share our brotherhood.

Along with our up-to-date flat screen TVs and dart board, we now have a six foot pool table!!!

Keep smiling!

- George Heyen aka "Chukles"

The Treasurer

Thank you all for electing me to another year to serve as your Treasurer. I'm looking forward to working with the newly elected Divan and all our Shrine and Nobles.

If there is any help that I can be to any Noble, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Again—Thank you!

- Alfonse "Butch" Graziose

The Recorders Desk

Nobles, greetings from the Recorders desk. Now that the winds of change are done blowing through the third floor at Kismet, we have ourselves a brand new club room. Club Kismet comes complete with all the trimmings any respectable club would have. There just is not enough room to list them all here, so you will have to come down any Monday and see for yourself.

For you new kids on the block, let me tell you about the Suffolk County Shrine Club, it meets on the first Friday of the month. The purpose of a shrine club is to bring the message of the Potentate to the members that cannot make the stated meetings at the temple. The SCSC has a dinner then the men and ladies each have their own meetings to discuss their plans for the year. As of late the SCSC is down in membership and would like to see some of the new members come out. We would be happy to listen to anyone with an idea that might breathe some life back into the club. If you are interested contact me at the temples number 516 513 1266 for more information.

Last but not least, our Assistant Rabban Mike Iannone, has a very nice event coming up, a wine tasting, this will be on March 13. Down the road a ways, is our Potentate's Ball, held for the first time in a long time, at Kismet temple. This will be on June 4th, see the ad in this Fez for more details.

Oh! One last thing, if you feel that as a Noble of this temple you might have a question about something I am or am not doing, please stop by the office for a chat and maybe we can clear up any confusion. Asking a third party, "What's the Recorder doing about such and such" is not going to get you the correct answer, and will not make me aware of any concerns you may have.

Yours in the Faith,
Joseph A. Santillo, PP
Recorder, Kismet Shriners



FROM ELSEWHERE IN THE DESERT

The Culinary Unit



WHAT'S COOKIN' AT KLUB KISMET—Greetings from Culinary
Well the Pote has us going full out with only one directive...
Make sure the Nobles have fun and are well fed. So far so good from the feedback we have been getting. We would love any suggestions or help you can provide us with. With half the unit on the Divan (and Greg still had time to Rock a great Venison Chilli) we have been directed from the Pote to get some new blood in the unit!
So come on in and have a great time with one of the most fun units in Kismet!
Kenny

Public Relations



Burn Awareness Week is officially Feb. 6-12, 2011, and Shriners Hospitals for Children® will use the week to kick off a year-long campaign focused on preventing burn injuries at home.

Shriners Hospitals for Children® and Shriners International are committed to educating the public about burn prevention in order to reduce burn injuries to children.

The Clowns



The Kismet Clown Unit had a few Joey's attended the Clown College in Plymouth Massachusetts recently. This is an annual gathering of clowns from all over the east coast and Canada. They provide classes on everything a clown needs to know. You can attend seminars on make up, wigs, magic tricks, costumes and everything else one needs to get started. Additionally the fellowship and fun of being a part of a large organization dedicated to the Shriners Children is fantastic. We are really a part of a wonderful organization and we are proud of that. The Kismet Clown unit can provide all that is necessary to learn about clowning. Now that we have the third floor, and it should be available during the week, we can assist any Noble who has an interest here in Kismet. Please contact Johnny Kelly at DeLeckie@aol.com to get on the email list. Thanks again to the leadership and membership of Kismet for their support

East End Shrine Club



Nobles, the next meeting of the East End Shrine Club will be held on Friday, April 1st, 2011 at 7:00 PM at Alcyon Lodge, 162 Main St., Northport, N.Y. A FREE Dinner will be offered, and all members and their Ladies are urged to attend. Topics for discussion will be, but will not be limited to: Ways of rejuvenating the club, the possibility of purchasing mini motorized Jeeps or other vehicles to give the Club a public presence at parades and other functions, a membership drive, and supporting the Hillbillies efforts. Anyone who thinks they would like to join the EESC, the first years dues will be waved. Please make every effort to come out and support your club. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 516 322-3849. Thank you.

Fraternally, Douglas B. Carroll President, EESC



All y'all members of this here Clan #96, be here notified of a meetin' on March 14th at 7:30pm. Whar?? At Kismet Shrine Center. To jaw 'bout future events. Ideas welcome. We also have to elect officers for 2011 yar.
Hope to see y'all there!

KISMET YACHT CLUB'S ONE-DAY CRUISE

Ahoy yachtsmen and landlubbers; hope you're navigating well through the piles of "white-caps" this winter.

The Kismet Yacht Club's one-night cruise aboard Norwegian Carribean Lines ship—the Jewel—was a smashing success. We had a combined crew of 23 Yachtsmen, Ladies and Junior Yachtsmen aboard.

We arrived at NYC Pier 88 Ship Terminal, parked next to the ship, took the elevator into the terminal and relaxed in the lounge until boarding time (11:30am). When we got aboard there was a vast international buffet awaiting us as well as a full lunch in the grand and opulent dining room. After lunch we strolled around the ship becoming familiar with its amenities—shops, casino, lounges, pool, exercise gym, art gallery, library and more.

The ship departed NYC about 4:00pm. We took pictures on the ship and of Manhattan as we sailed out into the Atlantic. The weather was cool and crisp, and the ocean calm as we cruised through the afternoon and evening. We had dinner in one of the 13 restaurants or dined in the Grand Dining Room.

In the evening we saw two shows, one was a Las Vegas type show in the 3-level theater, then it was on to the Bar Show Lounge for a comedy show. The rest of the evening was spent dancing, in the casino, or entertaining our appetites in the 24-hour international buffet restaurant. In the morning we enjoyed breakfast, disembarked—very smooth and organized—and headed home.

It was a very enjoyable time.

Carol and I and all who came aboard are looking forward to doing it again. Incidentally, the next Yacht Club event is the Nur Yacht Commodore's Ball at Kent Island, Maryland on February 19th, 2011. \$70 per person and it's open to all Yachtsmen, their Ladies and all Shriners. See me for more details. "Sail you there!"

Franklin A. Donato
Commodore—Kismet Yacht Club



SUPERBOWL SUNDAY AT CLUB KISMET

A great time was had by all, except of course the Pittsburgh Steelers who lost an exciting game by only a few points. Kismet's Culinary Unit worked with our High Priest & Prophet, Greg Feldman, to put together some of the most delicious food ever to grace a party. This was just one of the many family- and kid-friendly events run by your Divan. Come and enjoy with us and bring along your family!



FREEMASONRY IN THE CIVIL WAR

In the years leading up to the Civil War, the United States was divided along political, economic and social lines, far more than we are even today. The slavery question cast its shadow over all the other issues: regional rivalries, trade, development of the country's natural resources, and settling the West. Important institutions split over the slavery question. For example, the Democratic Party split along regional lines, and the Southern Baptist Church and the Southern Methodist Church were founded.

Freemasonry was the one institution that did not suffer a split. The principles of the Craft outweighed all other considerations in the hearts and minds of its members. This story is best told through a selection of vignettes originally written by the great American Masonic student, Allen Roberts.

Joseph Fort Newton, D.D., was a leading Masonic writer and teacher, and the author of *The Builders*. In his autobiography he wrote the following about his introduction to Freemasonry:

"My father had been a soldier in the Southern army... He was made a Mason in a military Lodge... Taken prisoner at Arkansas Post, he was carried up the Mississippi river to Rock Island, Illinois... My father become desperately ill, and made himself known as a Mason to an officer of the camp. The officer took him to his own home and nursed him back to life. When the war ended, he loaned Father money to pay his way back to his Texas home and gave him a pearl-handled pistol to protect himself... This experience of my father, when I learned about it, had a very great influence upon my life; the fact that such a fraternity of men could exist, mitigating the harshness of war, and remain unbroken when states and churches were torn in two, became a wonder; and it is not strange that I tried for years to repay my debt to it." Dr. Newton became a Master Mason at the age of 21 in Friendship Lodge No. 7, Dixon, Illinois.

John W. Geary was made a Mason at Sight on January 4, 1847 in Pennsylvania, just before he left with his troops to fight in the Mexican War. When in California, he was stationed in San Francisco, and served as one its first Mayors. He caused the land that became Union Square to be set-aside as a park. Geary Street is named for him. During the Civil War, he was the commanding Union general at the fall of Savannah, Georgia. He placed Federal troops about the quarters of Solomon's Lodge No. 1 to save it from looting and damage. Later, while Geary was governor of Pennsylvania, the Lodge sent him a resolution of thanks. He answered by claiming it was the principles and tenets of Freemasonry that helped Reconstruction to be as successful as it finally turned out to be. In this reply, he said: "...I feel again justified in referring to our beloved institution, by saying that to Freemasonry the people of the country are indebted for many mitigations of the suffering caused by the direful passions of war."

The Battle of Antietam was the single bloodiest day of fighting ever during the bitter Civil War. Over 23,000 men were killed or wounded. During this horrible and bloody battle, numerous instances occurred that showed the enduring nature of Brotherly Love and Relief in times of trouble. On the morning following the battle, Confederate sharpshooters fired at anything that moved. A wounded Confederate handed a Union sentry a piece of cloth on which the Square and Compass was crudely drawn in blood. The sentry carried it to a captain who recognized the Masonic emblem. The captain told the Colonel that a wounded Confederate needed help. The Colonel asked for volunteers and several Masons offered to help. At the risk of their lives they went to and carried the fallen Lieutenant of the Alabama Volunteers to the 5th New Hampshire field hospital. The Lieutenant told them about another Mason lying wounded in the cornfield. Back they went and carried him to join the other enemy soldier. Both men received the same treatment, as did the Federal wounded from the camp surgeon, a Freemason, Dr. William Child. These were men who truly remembered their obligation to never hesitate to go out of their way to raise a fallen Brother.

Confederate Masons no less than their Union counterparts remembered the obligations of the Craft in the midst of war. The Federal gunboat USS Albatross, under the command of John Hart hurled shell after shell into the village of St. Francisville, Louisiana. Later, the crew sent a small boat under a flag of truce to the shore. The executive officer asked for a Mason. The Senior Warden of Feliciana Lodge No. 31, W. W. Leake, answered the call. When informed that Captain Hart, who was a Freemason, was dead, Brother Leake immediately offered to open his Lodge and bury Hart with Masonic rites.

Over the years the United Daughters of the Confederacy kept his grave fresh and green. In 1972 the Grand Lodge of Louisiana replaced the simple headstone with a monument that covered Hart's entire grave. The monument was engraved: "This monument is dedicated in loving tribute to the universality of Freemasonry."

An interesting story of Masonic unity in the face of political conflict occurred in Denver Lodge No. 5. The members appeared to be evenly divided in their affinity for the opposing sides in the war. This appeared to be problem that couldn't be overcome, so the Lodge recommended to the Grand Lodge of Colorado that a charter be granted for the formation of Union Lodge. It was granted. But not a single member of Denver Lodge demitted to affiliate with the new one! They had learned it is not necessary for all Freemasons to think alike to remain friends and Brothers.

When Richmond, Virginia, fell to the Union soldiers in April 1865, mobs burned warehouses, blew up ships, and generally set fire to the property along the James River. Masons' Hall, built in 1785 was close to this area. The Federal Provost Marshal, A. H. Stevens, a member of Putnam Lodge in Massachusetts, placed a guard around the building, plus the homes of several members of the Lodge. Shortly thereafter, Federal and Confederate members of the Craft met in harmony in the same building.

Finally, an instance of true friendship extending beyond the barriers of war is that of General Lewis A. Armistead, of Alexandria Washington Lodge No. 22 and Colonel (later General) Henry H. Bingham. General Armistead was among the Confederate generals leading the ill-fated Pickett's Charge storming the hills in the Battle of Gettysburg. General Armistead was mortally wounded when he reached the top of the ridge. Colonel Bingham was sent by General Hancock to assist their Masonic Brother. A monument commissioned and dedicated by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania in 1993 at the National Cemetery Annex at Gettysburg commemorates this selfless act of Brotherly Love. The monument is inscribed simply:

"Friend to Friend – A Brotherhood Undivided."

When the shooting war ended, the division between the North and South remained. If anything, the antagonism was more bitter than ever. But it was Freemasonry that was most directly responsible for easing the pangs of hatred. Kindness shown by former foes who were Masons became the links in the chain of unity.

These lessons of the past are most important for us to remember. Our Brethren of the Civil War could have been forgiven if they had turned their backs on those in distress—but they did not! They helped the Mason and non-Mason whenever and wherever they could—and were better men and Freemasons for it, and our Fraternity and the world are better because of them.

Unfortunately the past is far too often forgotten. Countless people consider freemasonry's First Tenet, Brotherly Love, as just so much sentimentality. Group is fighting group, section is antagonizing section, and competing ideologies and political opinions are running rampant.

I will leave you with this challenge: Would you as Masons today act as our Civil War brethren, and put aside political and personal differences for the sake of another Brother known only to you as a Mason?

SHRINERS HOSPITALS - PATIENT PROFILE

Coalition Docs Give Afghan Burn Victim Chance at Survival

**International Security Assistance Force Headquarters
Story by U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Stacey Haga
ISAF HQ PAO**

KABUL, Afghanistan (Feb. 2, 2011) — Noorzada, an 11-year-old Afghan girl, lay in a hospital bed in Kabul with burns to roughly 30 percent of her body. Less than a day earlier, her brother and sister died of similar burns — the result of a lamp exploding in their home in Kandahar, according to their father.

With help from coalition doctors, Noorzada may escape her siblings' fate.

"I took my children to a civilian hospital, but they said they could not help them," said the father, who asked not to be named over fears that insurgents would think he was collaborating with the coalition. His other two children injured in the incident were burned worse than their sister. His five-year-old daughter had burns on 54 percent of her body; his three-year-old son suffered burns on 40 percent of his body.

Afghan physicians in Kandahar, incapable of providing the care his children needed, encouraged him to try to get the children to an American facility, he said.

After a few more rejections from Afghan hospitals ill-equipped to provide care for burn victims, the father got his injured children to the Afghan National Military Hospital in Kabul on Jan. 31, where U.S. military doctors could assist in their care. By then, a week had passed since the children were burned.

The U.S. military medical team and Afghan doctors at the hospital took the children in and wasted no time in getting them stabilized.

But early Tuesday, the younger children succumbed to their burns and the infection that followed.

"It's really difficult. One of the things we talk with the Afghans about is we treat your children like we treat our children," said U.S. Navy Lt. Jeremy Young, a nurse mentor at the Afghan National Military Hospital, who assisted in the treatment of the children. "It certainly builds a lot of trust with them and they know we are here to help them."

Due to the efforts of U.S. military doctors and nurse mentors working with Afghan doctors, the 11-year-old has a chance at survival.

Fortunate circumstances allowed the surviving girl to be

seen by U.S. Army Reserve Lt.Col. Rob Sheridan, a doctor who specializes in trauma burns at Boston's Massachusetts General Hospital and Shriners' Hospital for Children. He arrived in Kabul yesterday afternoon from Bagram Airfield, where he is stationed.

"We were very lucky to have him in country and have that type of resource," said Young.

After Sheridan examined the patient and redressed her wounds, which cover both of her legs and a portion of her hands, he informed her father of what needed to be done.

"We need to remove the dead tissue and close the wounds with skin grafts. It's a lot of surgery," Sheridan explained. He went on to tell the father that his child needed to be brought to a better hospital and that she will require a lot of intensive care.

Doubts remained if the girl would survive the night for a morning medical evacuation to Bagram. But by dawn, the girl was lucid and able to talk to her family by cell phone.

She was transported Wednesday to Bagram's Craig Joint Theater Hospital, where she can get the surgery, skin grafts and post-operative care she needs.

"Thank you to the U.S.," the father said, "because they are doing all they can to help my children."



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REMEMBER YOUR DUTY [Robert Turney]

F. to F., that we should go
When sickness brings a brother woe,
To cheer him on his bed of pain,
And nurse him back to health again.

K. to K., when e'er we pray.
At early morn, or close of day,
A brother's name should claim a share
In every thought and every prayer.

B. to B., thee still to keep
A brother's secrets hidden deep,
To all the world but us unknown,
And hold them sacred as our own.

H. to B., with firmest grasp,
Encircling arms and friendly clasp,
We should be found at duty's call,
To stay a brother's tottering fall.

M. to E., when e'er we find
To err a brother is inclined,
We'll counsel give in gentlest tone
And breathe it to his ear alone.

The F. to F. and K. to K.,
True brothers we should ever be;
With H. to B. and B. to B.,
Each striving still to do his best,
We'll whisper words of hope and cheer,
With C. to C. and M. to E.

TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Kismet Shrine is starting a Toastmasters group

and you can be a part of it. What? You're not familiar with Toastmasters? Toastmasters International is a non-profit educational organization that teaches public speaking and leadership skills through a worldwide network of meeting locations. Headquartered in Rancho Santa Margarita, California, the organization has more than 260,000 members in over 12,500 clubs in 113 countries. Since 1924, Toastmasters International has helped people of all backgrounds become more confident in front of an audience.

Whether you're a professional, student, stay-at-home parent or retiree, Toast masters is the best way to improve your communication skills. Toastmasters can help you lose the fear of public speaking and learn skills that will help you be more successful in your chosen path. You'll be a better listener. You'll easily lead teams and conduct meetings. You'll comfortably give and receive constructive evaluation. Even if you already have some or all of these skills, you will enhance them in Toast masters!

Toastmasters has helped many members in their community-service activities. Using the skills developed in Toastmasters, people have become more active in business, church, service and charity organizations. Toastmasters are able to organize activities, conduct meetings and speak in public as their organization's representative.

How Toastmasters Works

At Toastmasters, members learn by speaking to groups and working with others in a supportive environment. A typical Toastmasters club is made up of 20 to 30 people who meet once a week for approximately an hour. Each meeting gives everyone an opportunity to practice:

- Conducting meetings. Members learn how to plan and conduct meetings.
- Giving impromptu speeches. Members present one to two minute, impromptu speeches .
- Presenting prepared speeches. Two or more members present speeches based on projects from manuals in Toastmasters' proven communication program. Projects cover topics such as speech organization, vocal variety, language, gestures and persuasion.
- Offering constructive evaluation. Every prepared speaker is assigned an evaluator who points out speech strengths and offers suggestions for improvement.

If you're interested in joining or just learning about Toastmasters, contact Russell L. Magidson (516-547-0945, RLMagidson@gmail.com) now.

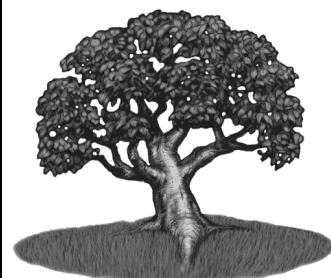
DONATIONS TO KISMET'S HPTF AND TREE OF LIFE

In 2010, we had a number of generous contributions made to the Hospital Patient Transportation Fund and Kismet's Tree of Life. Thank you all for your kindness and generosity!

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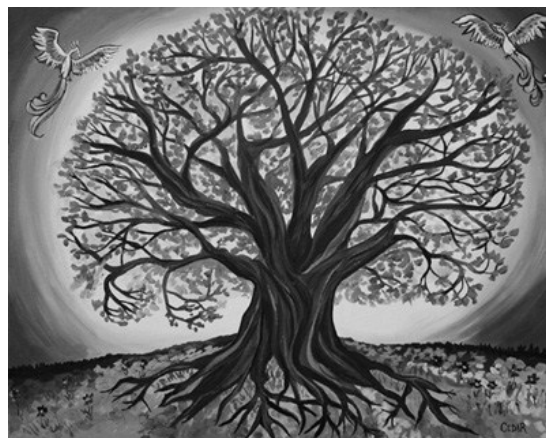
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Kismet Shrine Tree of Life



Kismet Shrine Hospital Transportation Fund
needs your help now—Contribute to the
Kismet Shrine Tree of Life.

Tributes:

A leaf on the Tree of Life, an acorn or a foundation stone is a special way to give a tribute. It is a thoughtful way to honor someone on a special occasion, such as a birthday, anniversary, holiday or for an accomplishment.

These leaves, acorns and foundation stones are a gratifying way for Nobles, their families, friends or lodges to honor someone (or to be honored) for any reason while at the same time supporting the Kismet Shrine Hospital Transportation fund.

Memorials:

A memorial is a personal remembrance that honors the life of a spouse, friend, relative or colleague.

A leaf engraved with up to twenty (20) letters and spaces - \$250

An acorn engraved with up to thirty (30) letters and spaces - \$500

A foundation stone engraved with up to forty-five (45) letters and spaces - \$1,000

Please make checks payable to **Kismet Hospital Transportation Fund** and mail it along with this completed form to Kismet Shrine, 18 West Nicholai Street, Hicksville NY 11801. Remember that all donations to the fund are tax deductible.

Complete the form below, detach and send it along with your donation.. Any questions? Contact the Tree of Life Chairman, Russell L. Magidson at 516-547-0945 or RLMagidson@gmail.com.

Circle one: Leaf (\$250) Acorn (\$500) Foundation Stone (\$1,000)

Line 1: _____

Line 2: _____

Line 3: _____

Donated by: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

PETITION FOR INITIATION AND MEMBERSHIP

Kismet Shrine Temple, 18 West Nicholas St., Hicksville, New York, 11801

PRINT OR TYPE NAME IN FULL

Name _____ Lady's Name _____
() Residence Address _____ Phone _____
() Business Address _____ Phone _____
Please Check Preferred mailing address email address _____

TO THE POTENTATE, OFFICERS AND NOBLES OF KISMET TEMPLE, SITUATED IN THE OASIS OF LONGISLAND:

I, the undersigned, hereby declare that I am a Master Mason in good standing in _____
Lodge # _____ located at (city) _____ (state) _____.
Which is a Lodge recognized by or in amenity with the Conference of Grand Masters of North America. Furthermore, I have
resided at my current address for not less than 6 months, as required by the Bylaws of The Imperial Council. I respectfully
pray that I may be made a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, and become a member of your Temple.

Date of Birth _____ Birth Place _____ Occupation _____
Hat Size _____ Hobbies/Interests _____
Have you previously applied for admission to any temple of the Order? _____
If so, what temple? _____

If I be found worthy and my request granted. I promise to conform to all the Ceremonies, Engagements, Constitution, Regla-
tions and Edicts of the Imperial Council together with those of your Temple.

Signature (Full Name Please) _____

Recommended and Vouched for on the honor of: _____

Street Address _____ City _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Second Sponsor _____
Unit Credit _____ Shrine Club Credit _____
Preferred Ceremonial _____

Special Initiation Fee 2011 \$99 Includes a Fez *(must accompany petition)*

Please charge my Fee/Fez to my Master Card _____ or Visa _____ account
Card # _____ Expiration date _____

(Print) Name _____ Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Day Phone _____

Signature _____ Date _____

1st Annual Masters & Wardens Brunch

Saturday, March 19, 2011 11 am– 2 pm

AT KISMET TEMPLE

18 W NICHOLAI ST, HICKSVILLE, NY 11801

Join us and our honored guest

The M.W.: Vincent Libone

**Grand Master of the Grand
Lodge of the State of NY**

\$99 Special Membership offer!

**Fill out the attached petition
and return to us by 3/1/2011.**

**\$99 includes initiation fee and a
Fez!**



- **Invitees: Masters, Wardens and District Officers of Long Island (Nassau, Suffolk, Kings and Queens Districts)**
- **Dress Casual Business**
- **At Kismet Temple**

**CALL 516 983-0930
WITH ANY QUESTIONS**

NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
PHONE: (____) -____-_____
EMAIL: _____
LODGE: _____
OFFICE : _____
_____ I AM ATTENDING ON 3-19-2011
COMPLETE AND RETURN TO KISMET TEMPLE

Please RSVP no later than: 3/1/11 To reserve your place!!

**ENJOY FINE FOOD AND CAMARADERIE WITH GRAND LINE OFFICERS AND
THE LONG ISLAND MASTERS, WARDENS, AND DISTRICT LEADERS**



KISMET SHRINERS



WINE AND CHEESE TASTING

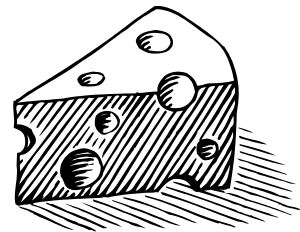
SUNDAY, MARCH 13, 2011

CLUB KISMET

2PM TO 6PM, \$25 PER PERSON

CONTACT: MICHAEL IANNONE

917-297-6808



This venue has been changed to a self-guided tour of red and white wines. Tasting notes and rating sheets will be provided, along with tutorials to help get the most enjoyment from a wine. There will be a cheese board and hot food after the tasting, making for a full afternoon of socializing and education!



Join us for an Enlightening Experience

QUEST XXXI

"Road to Masonic Excellence"

*31 Years of Masonic Education in the Queens District and the longest
continuous running Educational Seminar in the GL of NY*

to be held on

Saturday, March 12, 2011

Special Breakfast at 8 a.m. and Hot Lunch at 12:20 p.m.

Seminar Starts at 9 a.m. Sharp

at

Advance Masonic Temple

21-14 30th Ave., Long Island City, NY 11102

The Grand Master, DGM, Grand Line and PGMs will be present

An Address by the M.:W.: Vincent Libone

Keynote Speaker

M.:W.: William E. Rorer, Jr., PGM

Immediate Past Grand Master of the Commonwealth of Virginia

Luncheon Speaker

R.:W.: Thomas (Tim) M. McMullin

Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Lodge of the State of N.Y.

*Masonic Educational Material and Handouts
Educational Books, Pamphlets and Material for sale.*

Cost is \$20.00 per person

Contact: R.:W.: George R. Wacob ———E-Mail: grwacob1@optonline.net

Make checks out to Queens Purple Circle

Don't miss event!

Information and Knowledge promotes Masonic Growth!

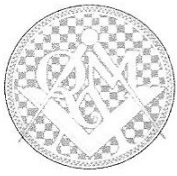
ELECTION NOTICE—KISMET SHRINE

At the March meeting there will be a special election for the purpose of filling two seats on the Financial Advisory Committee. If you are interested please contact Ill. Joseph Savaglio at 516-983-0930.

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(a) ELECTIONEERING. The printing, publication, circulating or distribution of resolutions, letters, telegrams, tickets, email or other devices, by a Noble, suggesting, recommending, opposing or containing the names of proposed candidates for office in the temple is prohibited.

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



Queens Masonic Association, Inc.

Annual Testimonial Dinner

Honoring

R.: W.: GENE LANGWORTHY-DDGM

&

R.: W.: EDWARD MIDDENDORF

GRAND REPRESENTATIVE

Thursday, March 31, 2011

7:00 P.M.

Riccardo's by the bridge.

21-01 24th Avenue

Astoria, NY 11102

Cost: \$35.00 p.p.

Reservations: Deadline March 25, 2011

Make checks payable to: Queens Masonic Association

For Reservations Contact:

W.: Jamshed Ghadiali

(516) 965-9675

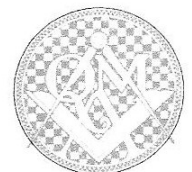
ghad@optonline.net

OR

W.: Joseph C. Cialone

(516) 487-1784

gijcjo@aol.com





Kismet Shriners
Potentates Year Book Tendered in Honor of:
Ill. Joseph C. Savaglio & Lady Cedith



I, The undersigned, herewith contract for an advertisement in the 2011 Kismet Shrine Potentates Year Book.

Deadline For Ads is May 15, 2011—For Info Call Lou Leone at (631) 716-1991

Check	Ad Type: Adds accepted in PDF, Publisher, Word E-mail to Loul@optonline.net or jcs@savaglio.biz	Price
	Back Cover (First Come First Serve)	\$350
	Inside Back Cover (First come First Serve)	\$250
	Inside Front Cover (First come First Serve)	\$250
	Full page	\$150
	Half Page	\$75
	Quarter Page	\$50

Make checks payable to: Kismet Shrine, PO Box 834, Hicksville, NY 11801

Attention Lou Leone

Deadline May 15, 2011

Signed: _____

Name (print): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____ **Tel:** _____ **Email:** _____

MC/Visa/Discover _____ **Expiration:** _____

Or Call Ill. Joseph Santillo at (516) 513-1266 Fax (516) 827-1266

(Proceeds are for the benefit of Kismet Shrine at the discretion of the Potentate and are NOT tax deductible)

KISMET TEMPLE



Potentate's Ball

You are cordially invited to the Potentate's Ball honoring Illustrious Sir Joseph C. Savaglio and his lovely Lady Cedith. This event will be held on Saturday June 4, 2011 at Kismet Temple, 18 W. Nicholai St., Hicksville, NY 11801. Rooms are available at the Marriot Fairfield Inn, Syosset, 24 Oak Drive, Syosset, NY 11791 (516) 921-1111 at \$125/night including, breakfast, parking & shuttle to & from the Temple/Ball. Call hotel directly before 5/15/11.



For Information or Questions contact Joseph Santillo at (516) 513-1266
Fax (516) 827-1266

Date: Saturday June 4, 2011
Cocktail Hour : 6:00 PM
Dinner: 7:30 PM

Choice of Beef, Chicken or Fish
Music & Dancing
Formal Dress w/Fez

Name: _____ Lady: _____

Shrine _____ Title _____ Beef: _____ Chicken: _____ Fish: _____

Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

For Ball Reservations mail check to Kismet Shrine, with this form to PO Bx 834, Hicksville, NY 11801

UPCOMING EVENTS

March



- ⇒ 7th—Stated Meeting. Dinner by the Culinary Unit at 7pm, meeting at 8pm
We will vote on two new Financial Advisory Committee members
- ⇒ 13th—(Sunday) Wine and Cheese Tasting run by our High Priest and Prophet, Mike Ianone
- ⇒ 14th—Divan Meeting, Food and Fellowship at Club Kismet
- ⇒ 19th (Saturday)—1st Annual Masters and Wardens Brunch
- ⇒ 20th—First day of Spring (thank goodness!)
- ⇒ 21st—Unit Head meeting, Food and Fellowship at Club Kismet. Names will be pulled for the money at the bar from last year
- ⇒ 28th—Food and Fellowship at Club Kismet

April



- ⇒ 4th—Stated Meeting. Dinner by the Culinary Unit at 7pm, meeting at 8pm
- ⇒ 8th—9th—Sprint NYOSA in Endicott, NY
- ⇒ 11th—Divan and Unit Head meetings. Food and Fellowship, as always, upstairs in Club Kismet
- ⇒ 17th—Palm Sunday
- ⇒ 18th—19th—Passover:
- ⇒ 24th—Easter Sunday
- ⇒ 30th—1pm: Spring Ceremonial at Hicksville Shrine
- ⇒ 30th—7pm: Dinner and Dance in honor of Lost Nobles for all members and their ladies. This event is being brought to you by the Road Runners and Oriental Guide

May



- ⇒ 2nd—Grand Lodge meeting. Food and Fellowship in Club Kismet
- ⇒ 8th—Mothers' Day (Don't forget the flowers!)
- ⇒ 9th—Stated Meeting. Dinner by the Culinary Unit at 7pm, meeting at 8pm
- ⇒ 16th—Divan meeting, Food and Fellowship in Club Kismet
- ⇒ 23rd—Unit Head meeting run by the Colonel of Units. Food and Fellowship in Club Kismet
- ⇒ 30th—Memorial Day. Join Kismet in the Hicksville Parade

*Always good food and drink
In Club Kismet
Every Monday at 7pm.
Come Join us!*





Kismet Shrine
18 West Nicholai Street
Hicksville, NY 11801-3806