

## 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 welcome the 33 new Nobles to Kismet Shrine who were brought in on June 6th. This was the largest class of new Nobles in many years. In addition we voted on 20 more Nobles that night and now have an additional 25 members awaiting our next Ceremonial. I want to thank the Hadji, the Culinary Unit and all Nobles who pitched in to make the entire night a success. Since we have an additional 25 more to Initiate I have decided to hold another Ceremonial on August 8th to bring in those additional members.

We will again hold a short meeting prior to the Ceremony to vote on any new petitions we have. Nobles please keep bringing in those petitions!!! We are well on our way to our first positive membership year in over 50 years!!! New Nobles please get involved with one of the many Units or Clubs and by all means come out on Monday nights to the Kismet Club to enjoy food, libations and fellowship with us.



Our next event is the Kismet picnic on Sunday July 10th at the Amityville Beach. Please join us with your family.

Time is running out quickly to get your deposit in for MASA – Virginia Beach. Please call our Recorder immediately to make your reservation. We have a very limited number of rooms so do not delay. This is an opportunity for you new Nobles to see 8-10,000 Shriners in one place taking over Virginia Beach. Our very own Louis Barazotti PP is slated to be the next President of MASA at this event. Please join us at this wonderful event with your families.

Immediately following our trip to Virginia Beach is a bus trip to the Philadelphia Hospital on Saturday September 17th for the 85th Anniversary event. Nobles new and old this is your chance to see the Hospital with your spouses and the Board of Governors of the Philadelphia Hospital has a special day planned for their 85th Anniversary celebration.

Once again I remind you that if you would like 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. Key fobs are available from our Recorder for a one-time fee of \$20 that will give each Noble access to the Club and building seven days a week.

As always, I ask each and every member of Kismet to keep helping 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!!

## KISMET'S 2011 DIVAN AT A GLANCE

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III. Lou F. Barazotti PP (Boston, Emeritus)

III. Joseph Santillo (Philadelphia, Associate)

## NOTES FROM THE DIVAN

## Chief Rabban

Nobles—what a wonderful year we're having thus far... fellowship and brotherhood every Monday night, fun events and more new Nobles than you could shake a stick at. As we head into the half-way point in the year things are looking great. The only thing missing is you—and you know who you are—my fellow Nobles who have not been coming out to enjoy spending time with us and helping to shape Kismet Shrine. I've said it before and will say it again: if you're unhappy with any aspect of Kismet the way to fix it is to come and share your opinion and industry. If you are happy with how things are going then you should be here to enjoy it. Notice the common thread? Being here is key. Help shape Kismet so that it reflects what you need and take part in the development of Nobles, both old and new. Of course, those of you who have been taking an active role in the Shrine know well the positive impact that you're having. Your Divan needs your support, your encouragement and your feedback.

By the time you read this, our new web site will be up and running: KismetShriners.org. Your Technology Committee has worked hard to put together an attractive, informational site that will adjust and grow with our Temple. In months ahead there will be more content added, including a Historical section which will contain scans and photos of Kismet's past. Surf on over and have a look—and remember that everyone is welcome to provide some content, pictures, etc.

We are looking for Nobles who are interested in *baby-sitting* the rental parties on Saturdays and Sundays. If you or your Units are looking to make a few dollars and help the Shrine with its rentals, contact the Recorder, Joe Santillo, and let him know that you're interested. You should all be aware by now that our rentals have become a significant source of revenue for Kismet but they cannot be unsupervised. We need you to take an active part in this effort.

## Assistant Rabban

I hope the summer finds everyone well. I would like to take this time to congratulate all thirty-three nobles who went through our recent ceremonial. I urge each and every one of you to get involved in one of our many clubs and units. Kismet is a great place, all you have to do is through your hat in the mix. I will be planning a bus trip to the Philadelphia Hospital - this is a great opportunity to see our Hospitals up close. It will be a first come, first serve basis, mark your calendars. See you at the Temple.

## High Priest and Prophet (Prophetable Words)

Summertime! July 4th is upon us and that means Imperial Session. I hope you have all seen our Charter returned to our building and now framed. In my special project, with the Chief Rabban, of organizing our archives and other historical documents, we discovered Kismet's Charter from 1888. It has been framed in museum glass for UV ray protection and I think it looks excellent. I also thank our Nobles for purchasing the copies of the charter to help absorb the cost. Additional copies are always available.

I hope to see many of you at our Family Picnic on July 10th in Amityville. It will be nice to relax at the beach. I know our Oriental Guide has been working hard to make this our most successful function to date.

The more I learn about Kismet Shrine and Shrinedom the prouder I am of our accomplishments over almost 125 years. We are past the halfway point of 2011. It is a great time to be a Shriner.



### NOTES FROM THE DIVAN

## Oriental Guide

Greetings from your oriental guide:

These past few months we have had the good fortune in the growth of our membership. Congratulations to our new nobles!

Our Monday nights help to bring us all closer together as we relax and socialize. What would relaxing and socializing be without our culinary unit who tirelessly arrange for us to amply eat and drink which makes us, oh so merry!!!!!!!!!!

For those of you that missed our Quince de Mayo fiesta in May, we want you to know that we missed you to!!

Please make note of our next gathering for friends and family which is our annual kismet shrine picnic held at Amityville municipal beach, July 10th 2011 @10:00a.m to 2:00p.m.

See you there!

Keep smiling, George (chuckles) Heyen

## The Treasurer



## The Recorders Desk

Nobles.

By the time you read this Kismet will have initiated its largest class in many years "THE CLASS OF 2011". With your help we could achieve the goal of having the first positive membership flow in decades. Remember the class count does not close until the end of the year, so get your buddys to sign up and join in.

On another note, the ad for Virginia Beach is in this Fez, this is a big year for Kismet and MASA. Our very own III. Louis Barazotti and Lady Virginia are in line to be elected as President and First Lady of MASA. The reason I mention the ad and the election together is to underline the need to come down to the beach and show our support for III. Lou and Lady Virginia. This is the year that everyone coming to the beach should buy tickets to the Presidents Trophy Dinner where III. Lou should be installed as President of MASA. If you decide to come to the beach, please bring a white shirt, black pants and shoes, your fez, and a black or navy blue tie, this will be our parade uniform for Nobles who want to take part in the Saturday morning parade. Kismet being one of the smallest temples in MASA has the chance to take home a good number of trophies, by forming up into a number of small units for the parade. So, I look forward to seeing all of you at the beach.

In closing I would like to thank all those who signed up to help with the baby sitting for the party rentals, there are still a couple of openings left, so if you are interested to find out the details, call me at 516 513-1266.

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



## FROM ELSEWHERE IN THE DESERT

## The Culinary Unit

We hope that you've been enjoying the variety of meals that we've been creating for you and please remember that requests are welcome. We have had people ask for Korean BBQ, American BBQ, bagels and lox and more. We'll do our best to keep your bellies full and hearts warm so that we can concentrate on the business at hand: our Children and Hospitals.

To our new Nobles: if you enjoy being in the kitchen (note that I did not ask if you were a good cook) let me know and you can be a part of our unit.

- Ken Klein (Kkleinny@aol.com)

## Public Relations



It has been suggested we sponsor a screening clinic. I think this is a wonderful idea, but to be successful we all must do our part. I am willing to reach out to the local papers and ask them to place in their calendars the event, and I have already spoken to some of my local papers. We need you to get your local papers, find the masthead and determine the contact information for that local paper. If you could reach out, or even if you send me the information, we can develop a data base so when the time comes for the event we can be ready. I have been told that to have a successful screening clinic is very hard. I believe if we all work hard together we may have a chance of success. Its all about teamwork, lets work together towards this admirable goal. By the way, have you sent in your journal ad for the Philly Shriners Hospital Anniversary. Lets show them that Kismet stands up for Shriner Children. Its not expensive, but will be very effective.

- John Kelley

### The Clowns



Whenever a Kismet clown applies their makeup and puts on his costume to do a gig, he transforms himself into a smile machine. The ability to make every one smile, young and old, is a wonderful thing. Not only are we bringing into someone's life a ray of happiness, but that good feeling permeates through us and makes us feel better. When we hand out our clown cards to children it puts a smile on their face and on their parents. Kismet Clowns share smiles and happiness. We work hard to "keep 'em smiling". Now that the third floor is available, we will start clowning around and practicing our skits, developing makeup and clown faces, magic tricks and silliness. John and Rich helped out at the child ID in Islip the other day, helped draw in the children and everyone had a great time. Thanks to both of them for expressing the Shriner Clown Smile and the Masonic belief to help in the success of others. They are great men, and wonderful Kismet Clowns. Please reach out to me at my email address and let me know when the best time is. - John (DeLeckie@aol.com)

## Mini Choppers





## Road Runners



The Road Runners as of now have two projects coming up this fall. One is the screening clinic, the other "A Day at the Races" More information coming. We are always in need of new Road Runners. All you need is a valid drivers license and be willing to drive during the week .You will get a lot of satisfaction knowing you helped and child to have a better future. We will help you to learn and train you on how our transportation works.

- Sam Zakian, R.R. Chairman (516-798-3373)

## MEMORIAL DAY PARADE IN HICKSVILLE

Although the day started out a bit dreary and rainy, it didn't keep Kismet Shriners away on parade day. Good thing, too as the weather cleared up as we started to march and it was clear that the bystanders enjoyed seeing us as much as we enjoyed being there. Although it was my son Joshua and I riding Tiny-Tim (our bright yellow scooter) representing Kismet's Mini-Chopper Unit I know that we'll get the kinks out of the bikes by our next parade. Then we'll really WOW the crowd. Thanks go out to the Nobles who came out in support of our servicemen and especially to Greg Feldman for providing an ample supply of Dunkin Donuts and coffee.









## HILLBILLY CLAN MEDICAL SCHOOL

As y'all ben hearin', Kismet's Hillbilly Clan be start'n up a medical school fer the Children's Hospital. This'un way we'all c'n help the docs and nurses in takin care of the kids (no, not goats). So me, the school prinsipal, is givin y'all these common medikal terms to hep any perspective Hillbilly students git smart like me. Good luk in yer skoolin!

Artery-The study of paintings
Bacteria-Back door to cafeteria
Barium-What you do with dead folks
Benign-What you be after you be eight
Catscan-Searching for the cat
Cauterize-Made eye contact with her
Cesarean Section-A neighborhood in Rome
Colic-A sheep dog
Coma-A punctuation mark
D&C-Where Washington is
Dilate-To live longer than your kids do
Enema-Not a friend
Fester-Quicker than someone else
Fibula-A small lie
G.I.Series-World Series of military baseball

Hangnail-What you hang your coat on

Hospital-The biggest building in town, other than Joe's feed

warehouse or Franks lumber mill

Impotent-Distinguished, well known

Labor Pain-Getting hurt at work

Morbid-A higher offer than I bid

Nitrates-Cheaper than day rates

Medical Staff-A Doctor's cane, sometimes shown with a snake

Node-I knew it

Outpatient-A person who has fainted

Pap Smear-A fatherhood test

Pelvis-Second cousin to Elvis

Post Operative-A letter carrier

Recovery Room-Place to do upholstery

Rectum-Damn near killed him

Secretion-Hiding something

Seizure-Roman emperor who lived in the Caesarean Section.

Tablet-A small table

Terminal Illness-Getting sick at the airport

Tumor-More than one

Urine-Opposite of mine

Varicose-Near by

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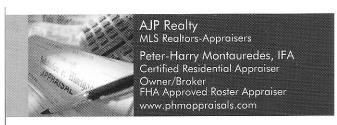
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To place your business card here, contact the Fez editor, Russell L. Magidson:

(516-547-0945, RLMagidson@gmail.com).

### SHRINERS INTERNATIONAL PROTOCOL

PART 2 of several by Illustrious Louis F. Barazotti, PP Imperial Aide

#### CEREMONIALS. RECEPTIONS. MEETINGS

#### Procedure for attendance by Imperial Officer

#### Request for Imperial officers

When a temple desires the presence of one or more Imperial officers at an activity of that temple, a written request is to be submitted to the Imperial Potentate, with a copy to the Executive Vice President, detailing as much information about the activity as possible. If the requesting temple has an Imperial officer, it may invite him directly, without submitting a written request to the Imperial Potentate.

#### Official representative

Frequently the Imperial Potentate must appoint another Imperial officer as his official representative. When this occurs, the official representative is accorded the same protocol pattern appropriate for the Imperial Potentate.

#### Transportation and aide

The potentate is to provide suitable transportation from the hotel to the place of the ceremonial, reception or meeting for all Imperial officers (present and past). An aide for each Imperial officer, selected by the potentate, is to be available at all times.

#### **Receptions for Ladies**

At receptions or other functions where only Ladies are present, the Ladies of Imperial officers follow the same order of precedence as for Imperial officers.

#### **Receiving Line**

At functions where a receiving line is used, the Imperial Potentate is the last one in the order of reception, with others stationed as indicated hereafter. When Ladies are present, they should stand with their escorts.

#### **Introduction and Reception of Guests**

#### Courtesies

The Imperial Potentate and Imperial officers are to be made as comfortable as possible and not subjected to a long standing wait for their turn to be introduced. Dignitaries and celebrities are to be introduced to one another as well as to the Masonic and Shrine officers.

#### Order of introduction and reception

- 1. Visiting civic dignitaries and celebrities.
- 2. Grand Masters and/or other distinguished Masonic guests.
- 3. Visiting divans, past potentates, potentates, Shrine association and Unit association officers.
- 4. Trustees of Shriners Hospitals for Children.
- 5. Past Imperial officers (in reverse order of their seniority).
- Imperial officers (in reverse order of their seniority and station).
- 7. The Imperial Potentate or his official representative. (The Nobility will stand after 3 raps of the gavel on his introduction and reception.)

## KISMET'S WEB SITE-UP AND RUNNING

KismetShriners.org is up and running... although a work-in-progress, surf on over and have a look. In coming months, more and more features will be added including Event Calendars, Unit and Club pages, photos and (of course) every issue of The Fez and more!

We will also be offering e-delivery of The Fez as a PDF to your email instead of, or along with, the print edition. Send an email to the Fez Editor to sign up for electronic delivery. In the very near future, The Fez will become a completely

electronic publication; this will save thousands of dollars each year in printing and mailing costs. In addition, Kismet Shrine's web site and Facebook pages provide contact and event information to those online. Send your email address to the Chief Rabban/Fez Editor and join our Facebook Group (Kismet Shriners) so we can keep you up to date on all Kismet events and news.

Remember: although the elected and appointed Divan are all but required to provide some content for The Fez (and thus, the web site) every Noble of our temple is invited to do so. If there are any Shrine-related activities, information or if you want to voice your thoughts please let me know. The content deadlines for this year's remaining issues are: Aug 6, Oct 8 and Dec 10.



## ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER

#### Conducting meetings and calling motions

By Russell L. Magidson, Chief Rabban

Clearly, the bulk of what gets done in any organization is done through meetings and calling motions in those meetings. Although many people would state that they do not *like* meetings, they make it easier for people to work together effectively and to help groups accomplish their purposes. Rules of procedure should

assist a meeting, not inhibit it. There are a few basics that need to be remembered with regard to meetings:

- A meeting can deal with only one matter at a time.
- All members have equal rights, privileges and obligations. One of the chairperson's main responsibilities is to use the authority of the chair to ensure that all people attending a meeting are treated equally; not to permit a vocal few to dominate the debates.
- Although a majority vote decides an issue, the rights of the minority must be protected at all times. All members have such basic rights as the right to be heard and the right to oppose. The rights of all members—majority and minority should be the concern of every member, for a person may be in a majority on one question but in minority the on the next.
- Every member has the right to understand the meaning of any question presented to a meeting and to know what effect a decision will have.

#### How motions are presented

Members express themselves in a meeting by making motions. A motion is a proposal that the entire membership take action or a stand on an issue. Individual members can:

- · Call to order
- Second motions
- Debate motions
- Vote on motions

There are four basic types of motions:

- Main motions: The purpose of a main motion is to introduce items to the membership for their
  The mover consideration. They cannot be made when any other motion is on the floor, and they yield to subsidiary, privileged and incidental motions.
- Subsidiary motions: Their purpose is to change or affect how a main motion is handled, and is voted on before a main motion.
- Privileged motions: Their purpose is to bring up items that are urgent or important matters unrelated to adapted. pending business.

 Incidental motions: Their purpose is to provide a means of questioning procedure concerning other motions and must be considered before the other motion.

#### Obtain the floor

- Wait until the last speaker has finished.
- Rise and address the chairperson by saying, "Mr./Ms. Chairperson" or "Mr./Ms.

#### President."

- Wait until the chairperson recognizes you.
   Make your motion
- Speak in a clear and concise manner.
- Always state a motion affirmatively. Say, "I move that we..." rather than "I move that we do not..."
- Avoid personalities and stay on your subject.
   Wait for someone to second your motion
- Another member will second your motion or the chairperson will call for a second.
- If there is no second to your motion, it is lost. The chairperson states your motion
- The chairperson will say, "It has been moved and seconded that we ...," thus placing your motion before the membership for consideration and action.
- The membership either debates your motion, or may move directly to a vote.
- Once your motion is presented to the membership by the chairperson, it becomes "assembly property" and cannot be changed by you without the consent of the members.

#### Expanding on your motion

- The time for you to speak in favor of your motion is at this point in time, rather than at the time you present it.
- The mover is always allowed to speak first.
- All comments and debate must be directed to the chairperson.
- Keep to the time limit for speaking that has been established
- The mover may speak again only after other speakers are finished unless called upon by the chairperson.

Putting the question to the membership

- The chairperson asks, "Are you ready to vote on the question?"
- If there is no more discussion, a vote is taken.
- On a motion to move the previous question may be adapted.

## MEMBERSHIP—THE ANSWER

By Greg Feldman, High Priest and Prophet

Membership......The answer to everything right in the Shrine

The task of attracting new members to the Shrine is the responsibility (and likely the pleasure) of each Noble of Kismet Shrine. Active Shriners have found something personally meaningful in their membership and this meaning is what needs to be conveyed at every opportunity to eligible Masons. Each Shriner's individual feeling expressed in his own a movie or dinner the Shrine provides a very words is the most effective membership tool. Why the Shrine? There are many related organizations we could join, but we see that the Shrine is the greatest philanthropy in the world: a system of twenty-two hospitals providing the best specialized medical care for children in need. Based on the Masonic tenets of relief, truth and brotherly love, men get together sharing fellowship and fun, social functions with our families – all for the benefit of the greatest bottom line: helping children.

We men become Shriners because the organization is the outward manifestation of what we feel. We realize that the teachings of the Shrine are parallel to our own convictions and as men we seek to associate ourselves with good men of a like spirit. We are faithful and loyal to friends. We take our obligation seriously and strive to live a life promoting the virtues imbued in our nature. We are also men who derive enjoyment from life. We appreciate fun and fellowship and appreciate when men from all different walks of life work and play side by side wearing the Fez of Shrinedom. We spread smiles and laughter in an uncertain world. We have a genuine interest in people, an honest desire for spreading charity and a faith in an everlasting God. Being a Shriner should give you a lift. The Fellowship of membership in the Shrine – wearing your Fez or Shrine pin your head lifts a little higher, your heart warms with friendship and your handshake becomes firmer. Shrine

membership is a privilege. Wealth or position does not make you a Shriner.

Isn't that something that you'd like to share? Quite often comments are made that we are faced with the obligation of a family with the implication that our income needs to be budgeted and spent solely on providing the necessities of life. This is not inconsistent with the Shrine which offers a social atmosphere that is cost effective for families to enjoy together. When you look at the cost of going to affordable alternative.

Perhaps the issue is Freemasons are not motivated to join our Shrine. Perhaps he does not see in it a place for him. We need to welcome these qualified members into our fold and show them the benefits of membership. Our Nobles should mentor our newly created members so that no one is left to find his own way. While we all do not have the same interests we need to show that our fraternity offers something of value to everyone that will at the same time increase the strength of Kismet.

Membership is the most important subject that Kismet Shriners can discuss today. Our members have helped children since 1922. Membership and our dues is the best way to support our philanthropy. A strong viable Shrine ensures never-ending support for the children who need our help. The more members we have, the easier the burden is on the individual members to provide ongoing support to our fraternity and our hospitals. The true Shriner is not the product of the Shrine. The Shrine is the product of the Shriner. We have many friends who are not members of our great fraternity. We need them and they need us. The Shrine has something to contribute to the joy of every living Master Mason.

That is the strength of the Shrine.

## MOTORCYCLE SAFETY

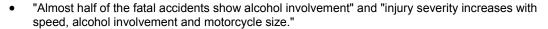
**Accident Research:** So many of us here in Kismet are motorcycle riders and many more have interest in learning to ride. In addition, some of our Nobles are actively involved with Motorcycle Safety and Education programs (such as ABATE-NY).

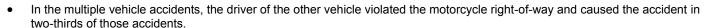
In the spirit of education I'd like to present some findings of two major research studies into motorcycle accidents: The HURT report and the MAIDS report.

The HURT report—A major work done on this subject in the USA, the HURT report was published in 1981 with data collected in Los Angeles and the surrounding rural areas. The Hurt Report concluded with a list of 55 findings, as well as several major recommendations for law enforcement and legislation. Among these, 75% of motorcycle accidents involved collision with another vehicle, usually a car. In the MAIDS report, the figure is 60%.

Other notable findings in the Hurt report (quoted below) were:

- 75% of accidents were found to involve a motorcycle and a passenger vehicle, while the remaining 25% of accidents were single motorcycle accidents.
- "In the single vehicle accidents, motorcycle rider error was present as the accident precipitating
  factor in about two-thirds of the cases, with the typical error being a slide-out and fall due to
  overbraking or running wide on a curve due to excess speed or under-cornering."





- The report's additional findings show that the wearing of appropriate gear, specifically, helmets and durable garment, mitigates crash injuries substantially.
- "Vehicle failure accounted for less than 3% of these motorcycle accidents, and most of those were single vehicle accidents where control was lost due to a puncture flat" and "Weather is not a factor in 98% of motorcycle accidents."
- "The failure of motorists to detect and recognize motorcycles in traffic is the predominating cause of motorcycle accidents...
   Conspicuity of the motorcycle is a critical factor in the multiple vehicle accidents, and accident involvement is significantly reduced by the use of motorcycle headlamps-on In daylight and the wearing of high visibility yellow, orange or bright red jackets."

The MAIDS report—The most recent large-scale study of motorcycle accidents is the MAIDS report carried out in five European countries in 1999 to 2000, using the rigorous OECD standards, including a statistically significant sample size of over 900 crash incidents and over 900 control cases. The MAIDS report tends to support most of the Hurt Report findings, for example that "69% of the OV [other vehicle] drivers attempted no collision avoidance manoeuvre (sic)," suggesting they did not see the motorcycle. And further that, "the largest number of PTW [powered two-wheeler] accidents is due to a perception failure on the part of the OV driver or the PTW rider." And "The data indicates that in 68.7% of all cases, the helmet was capable of preventing or reducing the head injury sustained by the rider (i.e., 33.2% + 35.5%). In 3.6% of all cases, the helmet was found to have no effect upon head injury" and "There were no reported cases in which the helmet was identified as the contact code for a serious or maximum neck injury."

**Consequences of Accidents:** Once a collision has occurred, or the rider has lost control through some other mishap, several common types of injury occur when the bike falls:

- Collision with less forgiving protective barriers, or badly placed roadside "furniture" (lampposts, signs, fences etc.) This is often simply a result of poor road design. Note that when one falls off a motorcycle in the middle of a curve, lamps and signs create a "wall" of sorts with little chance to avoid slamming against a pole.
- Concussion and brain damage, as the head violently contacts other vehicles or objects. Riders wearing an approved helmet reduce the risk of death by 37 percent.
- Breakage of joints (elbows, shoulders, hips, knees and wrists), fingers, spine and neck, for the same reason. The most common breakages are the shoulder and the pelvis.
- Soft tissue (skin and muscle) damage (road rash) as the body slides across the surface. This can be prevented entirely with the proper use of motorcycle-specific protective apparel such as a leather jacket or reinforced denim and textile pants.
- There is also a condition known as biker's arm, where the nerves in the upper arm are damaged during the fall, causing a permanent paralysis of arm movement.
- Facial disfigurement, if in the absence of a full-face helmet, the unprotected face slides across the ground or smashes into an object. Thirty-five percent of all crashes show major impact on the chin-bar area.
- The Hurt Report also commented on injuries after an accident stating that the likelihood of injury is extremely high in these motorcycle accidents 98% of the multiple vehicle collisions and 96% of the single vehicle accidents resulted in some kind of injury to the motorcycle rider; 45% resulted in more than a minor injury.



## ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE WITH SHC

Eddie Warren was dealt a difficult situation at an early age, but he refused to let it keep him from following his passion.

Eddie was born with two deformed legs that would prevent him from ever being able to walk. His great-grandmother suggested that Eddie and his mother, Wanda, visit Shriners Hospitals for Children® — Springfield because of the hospital's expertise in prosthetics. Eddie and his mother met with David M. Drvaric, M.D., chief of staff at the hospital and were taken away by the personal care and attention they received. "The environment at Shriners Hospital was truly incredible," said Eddie's mother. "When you walk into the building, you get the feeling that everybody genuinely loves what they do."

When Eddie was 11 months old he had surgery to amputate both of his legs so he could be fitted for the prosthetics.

Eddie always had a strong passion for sports, but was hesitant to participate in them. His mother inspired him to believe anything was achievable in life, which led Eddie to start playing football at the age of ten.



It proved to be good advice. By his junior year at Sacopee Valley High School in Maine, Eddie played defensive end and kicker for the football team, shooting guard on the basketball team and was a first baseman and pitcher for the baseball team. All of Eddie's teammates looked up to him because of the hard work and resilience he displayed every day in practice.

In July of 2010, Eddie's proudest moment occurred when he was selected to the Maine Shrine Lobster Bowl Classic to play the kicker position. The game not only features the best high school football players in the state of Maine, it also benefits Shriners Hospitals for Children®. Eddie would be playing for the same organization that helped make it possible for him to play the sport he loved.

With five minutes left in the game, Eddie's team scored a touchdown and he was brought in to kick an extra point to tie the score. Because of three straight penalties called on his team, the extra point would be kicked from 40 yards. Right before Eddie was about to kick the ball, the whole stadium began chanting "Eddie, Eddie, Eddie!"

"The situation was so intense, I was practically brought to tears," said Eddie. "I couldn't even look after I kicked it."

The football went through the uprights and the whole stadium erupted. According to Eddie, even the coach from the opposing team rooted for him. The kick would be one for the history books – it was the longest extra point in any Maine Shrine Lobster Bowl game. "The game wasn't about winning or losing," said Eddie. "It was about the kids and helping the organization that means everything to me."

Eddie, 19, currently plays on a semi-pro New England football team. In addition, after seeing first-hand as a patient the life-changing work Shriners do for children, Eddie plans on joining the fraternity along with his step-father.

As for his future, Eddie plans on having a career in sports where he can inspire kids and let them know that despite obstacles, anything in life is possible.

## MASONRY AND THE BOY SCOUT MOVEMENT

Masonry and the Boy Scout movement are inextricably linked. Just last week, on Feb 8th, the Boy Scouts celebrated the 100<sup>th</sup> birthday of its founding by Brother Daniel Carter Beard, a dual member of Mariners Lodge 67 of NYC, and Cornucopia Lodge 563 of Queens. Brother Dan had founded a male youth program in the late 1800s called "The Society of the Sons of Daniel Boone."

By 1905 the program had become "The Boy Pioneers". Lord Baden Powell of England read of the program, and borrowing from his own military experiences, they jointly developed a program, merging two organizations into one, thus forming the Boy Scouts of America in the year 1910. Brother Dan served as the newly formed organization's first National Commissioner.

There are currently 189 recipients of the Dan Beard Masonic Scouter Award in New York State. Men who are both Masons, and Boy Scout leaders! Now, a little about Boy-scouting. Of any one hundred boys who become scouts, it must be confessed, that thirty of them drop out in the first year. Perhaps this may be regarded as a failure, but in later life, all of these will remember that they had been scouts, and will speak well of the program. However, of the one hundred, only rarely will one ever appear before a juvenile court judge. Twelve of the one hundred will be from families that belong to no church. Through scouting, these twelve, and many of their families will be brought into contact with a church and will continue to be active all their lives.

Each of the one hundred will learn something from Scouring. Almost all will develop hobbies that will add interest throughout the rest of their lives. Approximately one half will serve in the military, and in varying degrees, profit from their Scout training. At least one will use it to save another person's life, and many will credit it with saving their own. Two of the one hundred will reach Eagle rank, and at least one will later say that he valued his Eagle above his college degree. Many will find their future vocation through merit badge work and scouting contacts. Seventeen of the one hundred boys will later become scout leaders themselves and will give leadership to thousands of additional boys. Some other facts: 64% of Air Force Academy graduates, 68% of West Point graduates, 70% of Annapolis graduates, 72% of male Rhodes scholars, 85% of FBI agents, 26 of the first 29 astronauts and Secretary of Defense, Robert Gates is an Eagle and speaks of scouting every chance he gets.



## 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.

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## PETITION FOR INITIATION AND MEMBERSHIP

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

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## WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST NOBLES

Congratulations to the Hadji on a job well done! Welcome to our newest Nobles—we know that your being a part of Kismet will be a rewarding experience for each and every one of you. Kismet has a rich and proud history that you are now a part of, in addition to being on the front line supporting the Children of Shriners Hospitals.













## IMPERIAL SESSION DENVER - JULY 2 - 7

This year's Imperial Session is coming up soon—July 2nd to the 7th. Kismet will have rooms at the Grand Hyatt or Hyatt Regency hotels.

The Family Dinner will be at the famous Buckhorn restaurant on Tuesday July 7th. Visit http://imperial2011.com for more information on the event as well as what to do and see in Denver.

Contact Kismet's Recorder, III. Joe Santillo, if you'd like more information and to let him know that you'll be coming.



#### BUS TRIP TO PHILADELPHIA HOSPITAL

Join us on Saturday Sept 17th for an enjoyable and informative experience, visiting our Philadelphia Hospital for a day. You will be able to sit in on the Board Meeting and take a tour of the facilities. This is a special 85th Anniversary Celebration visit, so take part if you can.

The bus will leave at 6:00am sharp from Kismet Shrine, with breakfast (bagels and coffee) served on the bus. Limited seating on a first-come first-served basis.

The cost is only \$5 per-person and lunch will be included at the Hospital.



## FAMILY BEACH BBQ

Join us on July 10th at the Amityville Municipal Beach Park for a family BBQ in the Amityville Beach Pavilion. Contact George Heyan for tickets. The event runs from 10am to 2pm.

\$20 per person, \$40 per family and kids eat free! Bring your bathing suit and your appetite!



### CIGAR NIGHTS AT CLUB KISMET

Kismet's Cigar Club is kicking off on the fourth Friday of each month. Join us on July 22nd at 9pm upstairs in Club Kismet. July's theme: Maker's Mark.

A \$20 entrance fee will get you a fine cigar and the drink of your choice (as long as you choose Maker's Mark).

We will also have an assortment of cigars for purchase. There is no obligation to purchase our cigars if you'd prefer to smoke your own... come and enjoy the evenings with us.

Cigar Nights are open to all Masons and Shriners, regardless to membership in Kismet.





#### COMMODORE'S BALL TO HONOR THE POTENTATE



## **Kismet Yacht Club**



## Invites all Shriners and Friends of Shriners to our

## 2011 Annual Commodore's Ball

Honoring:

# The III. Sir Joe Savaglio and Lady Cedith and Commodore Franklin Donato and Lady Carol

The ball will be held on **Saturday, Nov 5th 2011** at the **Holiday Inn Ronkonkoma**Rooms are available @ \$99/night. Call the hotel directly at 631-585-9500 before Oct 25th and mention "Kismet Yacht Club"

Cocktails at 6pm, dinner and dancing from 7pm to 11pm.

The hospitality room opens Friday from 1pm to midnight and Saturday from morning until 5pm—lunch included. The hospitality room will also be open after the ball Saturday night.

Dinner Choice: Filet Mignon, Chicken Francese or Honey Glazed Salmon Cash bar, music and dancing

Dress for the evening—Formal

Cost only \$80/person



RSVP to Franklin Donato 8 Commander Lane, Nesconset NY 11767 631-360-3459

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

## July





September



October



- ⇒ 1st to 7th—Imperial Session in Denver, Colorado
- ⇒ 10th—Family Picnic at Amityville Beach
- ⇒ 18th—Divan meeting at 7:30pm. As always: food and fun in Club Kismet
- ⇒ 22nd—Cigar Night at Club Kismet 9:00pm. Maker's Mark night… RVSPs a must! Call the Chief Rabban, Russell, at 516-522-0620 by the 15th. \$20/pp for a MM cigar paired with a glass of MM.
- ⇒ 8th—Business meeting to vote on new petitions. Ceremonial at 8:30 for all new candidates.
- ⇒ 11th to 12th—Counterparts Weekend at IREM Shrine, Dallas PA
- ⇒ 15th—Divan meeting 7:30
- ⇒ Every Monday—Fellowship and fun in Club Kismet!
  - ⇒ 5th—Labor Day
  - ⇒ 8th to 11th—MASA Virginia Beach
  - ⇒ 12th—Stated Meeting at 8:00pm, following dinner at 7:00pm
  - ⇒ 17th—Bus trip to Philadelphia Hospital
  - ⇒ 19th—Divan Meeting at 7:30. Did we mention "food and fun" at Club Kismet?

22nd—Screening Clinic run by Kismet's Road Runners at Stewart Avenue Church

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





Welcome—Kismet's Newest Nobles

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