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## JOSEPH C. SAVAGLIO—ELECTED IMPERIAL OUTER GUARD



The heartiest of congratulations is  
hereby extended to  
Imperial Sir Joseph C. Savaglio  
on the occasion of his election at the  
139<sup>th</sup> Imperial Session of the Imperial  
Council of Shriners International June  
30<sup>th</sup>-July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2013, in Indianapolis,  
Indiana, to the position of Imperial Outer  
Guard. Congratulations Joe! You  
deserve this great and truly incredible  
honor, and all of your fellow brother  
Nobles of Kismet Shrine, wish you the  
greatest of joy and success as you  
begin your Imperial travels!

Keep an eye open for these upcoming events:

### Psalm 133:1

Behold, how good and how  
pleasant it is for brothers to  
dwell together in unity!

- ⇒ Sep 2—Labor Day, no Stated Meeting
- ⇒ Sep 5-8—MASA at Virginia Beach
- ⇒ Sep 9—Stated Meeting
- ⇒ Sep 21—Queens Tavern Fund Raiser

### NO SMOKING POLICY FOR KISMET:

Nobles—Please remember that on meeting  
Mondays there is no smoking downstairs and  
on off Mondays there is no smoking upstairs.  
We are here to have fun and help children but  
not at the expense of the comfort of others.

# KISMET'S DIVAN AT A GLANCE

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# NOTES FROM AROUND THE OASIS

## The Pote



As we head into Fall and enjoy the last couple of warm weeks, I would like to wish everyone well. Kismet Shrine is the little shrine that could. For those who don't believe this, take a look at our own Joe Savaglio. Illustrious Joe or shall I say Imperial Joe Savaglio was recently elected to the position of Imperial Outer Guard. Imperial Joe has a long and winding ten year road ahead of him. We congratulate you, God Bless and Good Luck.

I would like to take this time to address our Nobility on what our mission statement is. We are here to support a 22 Hospital network, that has been providing the finest cutting edge Health care for children since 1922. We have helped over 800,000 kids to date. Shriners have the privilege of helping to touch these kids lives. We affectionately refer to as, "OUR kids". Too many of our Shriners are under the assumption that THEY are ENTITLED to certain creature comforts as members. We provide meals on Monday nights as a convenience, we are not required to. We also offer key fobs to gain access to the building as an added convenience. Kismet Shrine is not required nor obligated to do any of this.

I will tell you as your potentate what you are entitled to. YOU are ENTITLED to WORK. As a noble you are entitled to start a club or a unit, raise money, participate in ceremonies. In short you are entitled to Work and help build this organization and make it stronger than ever.

## Chief Rabban



A vote of thanks to all Nobles who have come out and participated by attending a stated meeting, participated at a scheduled event, and taken part in Kismet fellowship. We have had a busy calendar of fun and fundraising. As we reach the last month of summer we prepare for our Family Day BBQ and Fall MASA in Virginia Beach. There are still many events offering family fun for Kismet's Nobles. Florence weekend was a great time. Kismet was well represented at the festivities. The dinner at the Players Club was excellent as was the collation at the Bushwick Country Club. Not only did we spend time with the Imperial Potentate but also with Ms. Iowa, a patient of Shriners Hospitals. I hope you all cheer for her in September as she competes for Miss America. I want to publicly congratulate Imperial Sir Joseph Savaglio on his election as Imperial Outer Guard. Nobles! Kismet is on the move!

## Assistant Rabban



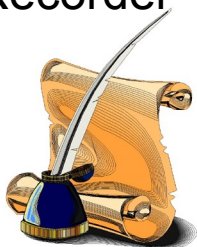
Our Queen's Nassau Shrine Club met for our usual informal dinner meeting Aug. 1st. In September Q.N.S. Club will not meet. Please consider joining your fellow Shriner's on the first Thursday of every month for dinner and a meeting. We find an informal place to eat in Queens or Nassau County. Bring your Ladies and quests, all are welcome. Feel free to contact the. Q.N.S Club President---Me, George.

Aug. 3rd found many of us at the Long Island Ducks game along with awesome fireworks!! MANY THANKS TO DAVID ROTHSTEIN WHO IS OUR LIASON, FOR ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL SHRINE BALLGAME EVENT!!!!!! We have another Baseball FUNDRAISER event coming up, a YANKEE'S GAME!!!!!! Check out THE FEZ and KISMETSHRINERS.ORG for upcoming info.

We are presently making preparations for our annual pic-nick at Amittyville Beach. MASA @ VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA IS FAST APPROACHING. EVERY TEMPLE THAT REPRESENTS IT'S "OWN", PLAYS AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN PUTTING OUR SHRINER'S CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL'S ON THE MAP!!! OUR STRENGTH IS IN OUR NUMBERS. OUR SUCCESS IS IN OUR EXPOSURE TO THE COMMUNITIES WE VISIT.

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE." KEEP SMILEING"  
GEORGE "CHUCKLES" HEYEN

## The Recorder



Nobles all—first of all, let me thank all of you who've come through with your 2013 dues. Yes, at this late date we still have too many Nobles to mention who have not paid their dues. Please remember that there are appendant bodies that require you to remain a Noble in good standing in order to keep membership in them.

Kismet has continued to be active in running events to raise money for our Transportation Fund as well as our Temple, and I urge you all to support the Children with your attendance, donations and time. Keep in mind that the main purpose (arguably the sole purpose) of Shrinedom is to support the hospitals and their patients. Inactivity on the part of any Noble makes it that much more difficult for us to encourage that. There are many Nobles who've made some great suggestions for events but what we really need is for Nobles to take one and run with it. You may, for example, join a local Chamber of Commerce, attend their meetings and speak on behalf of Kismet and the Hospitals. If you know of an upcoming street fair or other neighborhood event, take the lead and work with the Divan to coordinate a team from Kismet to attend.

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## High Priest And Prophet



As we come into the Fall... a little end-of-Summer recap first. This summer marked the 125th Anniversary of the chartering of Kismet Shriners. Happy birthday to us all! Thanks to all those nobles and their families who came out and supported our hospitals at the Ducks game. Your Divan had a friendly and constructive time at Counterparts Weekend in Pennsylvania, hosted this year by Irem Shriners. A round of applause goes to one and all who came out for our annual BBQ and chili cook-off. Many of you who came to Amityville, got to meet my wife and son for the first time – and my family had a good time. I hope that you had a good Labor Day weekend. Now that it's September, you know what that means... MASA! I would like to wish all a good time as Kismet heads down for our annual pilgrimage to Virginia Beach. On Saturday September 21st we will be having a silent auction / fundraiser for our transportation fund. A big congratulations (finally) to Imperial Sir Joseph Savaglio on the occasion of his election as Imperial Outer Guard of Shriners International and only the second Past Potentate in the history of Kismet to become an Imperial Officer. The last time was about 100 years ago. All the best Joe and good luck in your travels! Tragically after Imperial Session, Joe's mom, Erika, passed away. Joe and his family have our deepest sympathies. Although September marks the beginning of the Masonic calendar, it also marks the beginning of the setting of the sun on your Divan of 2013. With elections only 3 months away, now is the best time for YOU, our nobles to "step up to the plate" and take on a position of responsibility in YOUR temple. By taking on a position, be it big or small, you are contributing to our success and future – YOUR success and future. Kismet needs YOU! Sharing the water and breaking bread in the Oasis is fun but Kismet always needs help with the "tent." Yours in wisdom...

-Larry Dittmer larryd@volkertprecision.com • (516) 361-5044

## Oriental Guide



On sunday july 21 our potentate Michael Iannone past potentate Russell Maggidson and nobles Jeffrey Arist, Richard Tscherne, Robert DiCarlo, Oscar Garcia, John Kelly and Joeseph Barbuto attended the Hicksville chamber of commerce street fair. It was a long hot and humid day but we spent 6 hours working for our kids Noble Richard Tscherne worked his lungs with the sweet charm of a carnivail barker for donations the whole day. Not only did we make money for our kids we also made some good contacts for our Temple helping us get the word out about Kismet Shrine. We also made some positive contacts about our rental space downstairs. All in all it was a good day but we need your help. To do these events it takes Nobles willing to give some time and energy. You can make a difference lets start doing what we are suppose to do and help raise money for our kids. If you have an Idea let us know, and we can put something together  
Jeffrey Arist

## Clowns



The Clown Unit is quiet for the summer. We continue to gather on the third Monday at Kismet if anyone wants to clown around or practice skits or balloons or make up. We will start getting busy in the Fall and winter for the holiday parties soon. I hope all are well and that any one who would like to get on the clown email list please contact me at John JKellyIII@Gmail.com so I can put you on our email list so you can be informed of what's up. Remember " keep em smiling "

## Oriental Band



### KISMET ORIENTAL BAND

MEMBERS NEEDED: You do not have to know how to play an instrument or read music. We will show you how to make noise!

In October, we go to Rehoboth Beach in Delaware and play with Nur's Oriental Band for the Sea Witch Parade and attend Nur Shrine Centers Halloween Party.

This is a weekend trip.

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# NOTES FROM AROUND THE OASIS

## Events Chairman



Our next Kismet Shrine Sports Outing Event will be the 3rd Annual Kismet Shrine Family Day with the NY Islanders. The event will take place on Saturday, March 1, 2014. The Islanders will be playing the NJ Devils at Nassau Coliseum. Like last year, tickets for this event will be available exclusively through Online Ordering and the Islanders will be donating a portion of the proceeds from the tickets sold to the Kismet Shrine Hospital Patient Transportation Fund. Further information on the Islander game will be available as the date gets closer.

Also, fall MASA in Virginia Beach is almost here and we want you to join in on the fun. Send in the reservation form located near the back of this issue and enjoy a few days of fun in the sun. Kismet will be at the Clarion Hotel with a terrific pool, the beach just across the street and a hot breakfast every morning. We will be marching in the parade and enjoying some fun time together. This is an event for your family and friends as well as yourself. A free bus is available to take you all around the area as well as to and from the Convention Center where there are always great things happening. Please also join in on our stated meetings and the delicious food that accompanies them and stop by any Monday or Friday where you'll be sure to find other Nobles who stop by to break bread together and enjoy some relaxing times.

## Road Runners



July was a busy month for both the drivers and the patients.

KISMET made contact with a free airlift service called PALS "Patient Airlift Services" a transportation service covering the northeast. They fly out of many airports.

Both of us (Sam and John) are working together to provide the best patient transportation we can.

Together we have made about three trips with KISMET providing transportation to & from the airport "Republic" in our case. Individual Hospitals arrange for transportation to and from the airport.

In one case we used PALS to transport one patient to Shriners Hospital In Boston. The patient had an infection and had to be returned home the following day. PALS arranged to have the same pilot return the patient on the following day---KISMET transferred her home. The patient was very satisfied.

- John Hassell

## Public Relations



I believe we are all on the Public Relations Team. As Kismet Shriners we can all be talking about the good works of Shriners and our Shriners Hospitals for Children. We have on the second floor hand outs and flyers and posters for your use in your community. If you need something special we can get that for you. I am here to support you in your efforts to get the word out about the greatest charity in America. Its unfortunate that Imperial does not have a Public Relations Kit, Public Service Announcements, reporters note pads or anything they used to have. That is their choice, but we can choose for ourselves to continue spread the good news about who we are and what we do. Let me know if I can be of some service. JohnJKellyIII@Gmail.com

KISMET OASIS  
**Every Monday Night at CLUB KISMET**

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18 West Nicholai Street  
Hicksville, NY 11801

We are open every Monday Night from 6:00PM until.....Watering hole is always open to quench the thirst of our nobles. The culinary crew provides nourishment for only \$5.00. If the smoking bothers you, let us know and we will smoke outside – but you have to let somebody know (The Recorder, The Potentate, The Rajah).



# MASONIC EDUCATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Grand Lodge of New York through its Trustees of the Masonic Hall and Asylum established a scholarship in 1996. The Education Assistance Committee of Grand Lodge administers this scholarship program for post high school level students. The effort is directed at the sons, daughters, grandsons and granddaughters of Master Masons in good standing, belonging to Lodges within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of New York. Awards totaling over \$10 million have been made thus far, based upon academic achievement, community involvement and financial need.

Over the weekend of July 13th and 14th, the EAP committee traveled to Upstate New York (Utica, Rochester and Syracuse) to give out these awards to students. Over the weekend of August 3rd and 4th additional awards will be given out in the Grand Lodge building in NYC and Schenectady. The Grand Master of Masons, M.'W.'. James Sullivan was in attendance to make the presentations personally.

Applications for scholarship assistance are available from all Lodge Secretaries, District Deputy Grand Masters and may be downloaded from the Empire State Mason web site, [www.ESMason.com](http://www.ESMason.com). Scholarships are awarded according to academic excellence and the students' involvement in their communities. Award presentations to the recipients are made at central locations within the four regions of New York State. If you would like more information pertaining to the scholarship, you should contact the Master of your Lodge, Secretary or District deputy Grand Master, or you may contact the Education Assistance Program Committee at [NYGLEAP@nymasons.org](mailto:NYGLEAP@nymasons.org).

Look for applications towards the end of this year for the 2014 EAP awards and remember that these awards are available to you and your family.



## QUEENS-NASSAU COUNTY SHRINE

### CLUB OF KISMET TEMPLE

MEETS ON THE FIRST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH

**Location Changes Each Meeting**

George Heyen—President

Lou Barazotti—Secretary

The club meets at different restaurants each month for our meeting.

Contact Lou for details

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## EPIPHANY YOUTHS HELP SHRINERS WITH TAB DRIVE

Years ago, one of Beth Donofrio's middle school students accidentally set himself on fire while making an explosion for his G.I. Joe action figure.

He was burned down his back, all the way to his feet.

When Donofrio found out, the Shriners flew the boy and his mother to their Children's Hospital in Cincinnati free of charge and provided care to him for four months until he could return to school.

Donofrio decided to help in some small way out of gratitude to the organization.

Each year, Epiphany Cathedral School collects soda can pull-tabs to donate to the Shriners in Sarasota.

The Shriners recycle the tabs for about 55 cents a pound and then use the money at the Shriners Hospital for Children in Tampa.

This year, Epiphany collected 110 pounds of aluminum tabs to benefit the Wheelchair Repair Fund.

To date, Sarasota Shriners have collected 89,199 pounds of tabs and aluminum (\$45,917.87).

In addition to modifying children's custom wheelchairs, which must be adjusted about every six months as the child grows, the money from the tabs has helped the Shriners build a new playground consisting of recycled tires.

MaryLou Ellis, the pull-tab chairwoman, and her husband, Fred, who also is a member of the Shriners, collect all of the tabs from various organizations and store them at their home in Venice.

Ellis visits the schools to speak to children about the Wheelchair Repair Fund and the children it helps.

She writes a certificate of appreciation for each organization she visits.

Once the tabs are at their home, Fred pulls a magnet through a 100-pound barrel of tabs, eliminating anything that sticks; that separates steel from aluminum.

After collecting about 300 pounds of tabs, a truck is loaded and dispatched to the recycling center in Sarasota.

Since the school's participation in the program began, Epiphany has had two students benefit directly from the Tampa Shriners Children's Hospital, which provides orthopedic care to its patients.

At the bottom of Marylou Ellis' letter thanking Epiphany for its donation, she wrote, "Every single tab helps a child in need in our shrine hospitals."

To help Epiphany break its record of 110 pounds of tabs collected, you can drop off donations at the school office, 316 Sarasota St., Venice, in care of Donofrio.



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## EL JEBEL SHRINE DONATION DRIVE BENEFITS KIDS WITH SEVERE DISEASE



North Denver community member, the El Jebel Shrine, is holding two fundraising events in June. A used household items drive in partnership with Goodwill Industries on June 28-30 and a black tie event on June 22. Both events will raise money for the Shriners Hospital Patient Transportation Fund in order to provide free travel for the patient and a family member to one of the 22 Shriners Hospitals for Children.

These specialized hospitals offer health care services, regardless of the patients' ability to pay, to children under the age of 18 who are suffering from orthopedic birth defects, severe burns, spinal cord injuries, and cleft palates, to name a few. This international health care system also provides innovative research and outstanding teaching programs for specialty pediatric care. According to Mike Trevathan, High Priest and Prophet, (a key member of the

organization's Board of Director's with exotic titles) "We had our 1 millionth child come through our doors last year. You do not have to be part of the Shriners to benefit from this care. The only requirement is that the child is under the age of 18, with a condition that we believe we can help."

Readers can help these children by bringing donations to the El Jebel Shrine Center located at 4625 West 50th Avenue on Friday, June 28 through Sunday June 30 from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Goodwill trailers will be on hand to haul away your belongings. Tax receipts for donations will be available. Trevathan notes, "Goodwill is looking for the following items. Clothing, shoes, linens, furniture in good condition, sporting equipment, toys, housewares, jewelry, books, small appliances, computers, fax machines, cell phones and electronics. They cannot take mattresses, large appliances, engines or building materials such as wood, cement, chemicals, plastic pipe, or scrap metal."

In addition to the Goodwill donation drive, El Jebel Shriners 125th Anniversary celebration will be held on June 22. It is the first annual benefit for the Shriners Hospitals for Children. This black tie evening with charity auction will raise money for the El Jebel Hospital transportation fund, as well. The cost is \$150 couples/\$75 for singles. If you are interested in attending, RSVP to El Jebel's office at 303.455.3470.



# GETTING INVOLVED WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD



On a steamy July 21st, many of Kismet's Nobility set up and worked a booth at Hicksville's 11th annual Summer Fair at Kennedy Park, along Jerusalem Avenue. Never have such a bunch of sweaty guys been so happy to be outside—spreading the word to locals and visitors about Shriners Hospitals for Children. Scores of information pamphlets were handed out along with talks about who we are and what our cause is. We also collected a good amount of donations for the Hospital Patient's Transportation Fund from the fair attendees.

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## DUES ARE DUE

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As of right now over 200 of our over 500 Nobles have not paid their dues for the 2013 Membership Year. This is troublesome as we need this income to pay for the maintenance and upkeep of our building as well as our property tax bill and assessment to International. If you have paid your dues, then thank you. If you have not paid your dues, please make an effort to do so as soon as possible. If for some reason, you can not afford to pay your dues then please contact the Potentate or Recorder and let them confidential know about your situation.

The future of Kismet depends on the regular income that comes in towards our General Operating Budget. Dues payments are an important part of that.



# KISMET SHRINE AND THE L.I. DUCKS

The Second Annual Kismet Shrine Family Day with the Long Island Ducks at Bethpage Ballpark in Central Islip took place on the evening of Saturday, August 3, 2013 and it was a success. A group of 48 people that consisted of the Full Elected Divan, Nobles, their family and friends attended the event. The Long Island Ducks, the 2012 Champions of the Atlantic League of Professional Baseball, played the York Revolution. The Ducks won the game in exciting walk off fashion in the bottom of the ninth after trailing most of the game. The highlight of the evening was the Gucci Fireworks Show that all in attendance were treated to after the game.

As with all other Kismet sporting outing events, money was raised. This time, \$240 was raised that will be donated towards the Kismet Shrine Hospital Patient Transportation Fund.



# MARY SWICKARD — CHAMPION FOR CHILDREN

If anyone exemplifies the spirit of our Love to the rescue theme, it's Mary Swickard of Los Alamos, New Mexico. A former retailer in the shoe industry, Mary was reflecting on her good fortune and contemplating how to share her estate with charities that would help children. Mary was speaking with her friend Sybil Shook who's brother Hal "Bud" Martin was a Shriner in the Salt Lake City, Utah area.

"I was working on my estate planning and wanted to donate a condominium I owned in Albuquerque. A dear friend Sybil suggested I consider the Shriners Hospitals for Children. My curiosity about their work was piqued, so I phoned Bud and his wife Ann who volunteered at the Shriners Hospital in Salt Lake City." The Martins' devotion to the Shriners Hospitals was so powerful that Mary knew she was connecting with an organization that shared her passion for helping children in need.

The Martins convinced Mary to visit the Shriners Hospital for Children in Salt Lake City to see the mission in action. When she arrived at the hospital for her tour Mary said she "was kind of choked up, seeing the children." During the visit, a screening of the Shriners Hospitals Patient Ambassadors video was the turning point "when they showed me the video I could barely keep my tears back, the work they do with the children is amazing."

A technician at the hospital who manufactures and fits the patients for their prosthetic devices explained how the child would need to be refitted many times before reaching adulthood. Mary shared that she never realized what a long-term commitment the Shriners Hospitals make to the children they serve and the tremendous expense associated with this endeavor. This was the defining moment; Mary was all-in.

Upon returning to her home in New Mexico, Mary connected with Donor Development and began work creating a life estate. In addition to generous cash gifts, Mary elected to donate her present home to the Shriners Hospitals for Children. The agreement includes a provision where she continues to reside in the home until her passing. Over the next six -years, she will also enjoy a graduated tax deduction resulting from the property donation.

Mary said she "was thrilled at how professionally the Shriners organization handled the real estate transaction." She added, "I am proud to share these gifts with a hospital system that does so much great work for children who may not otherwise have a chance in life."

Mary's conviction to helping the Shriners Hospitals does not stop there. She has been active in sharing information about our mission and giving opportunities with her local Lions Club group. "Any time I get a chance, I tell people about the work being done at the Shriners Hospitals." Her advocacy work has prompted many of the Lions Club members to become benefactors of the Shriners Hospitals for Children.

I am humbled and grateful for people like Mary whose contagious positivity and enthusiasm continues to attract others who now send their love to the rescue of the children we support.



## NIKKI AND KELLY ANNUAL SCOLIOSIS FUNDRAISER

Nikki and Kelly Throw curves at Scoliosis Fundraiser—September 22, 2013

Patchogue Bowling Alley From 1 to 3:30pm. \$30 per person

Pizza, soda and two hours of bowling. Chinese Auction.

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## DAYTIME DANCING AT KISMET

To All Members--Nick and Pearl are inviting you to their dance event here at Kismet Hall in Hicksville, to a Social Dance Party on Fridays 12 Noon - 3PM, with or without a partner.

We feature a complimentary dance lesson in All American and Popular Latin American Dances, followed by Professional DJ and dancing, for your enjoyment. Come join us for an afternoon of fun.

We serve chicken, salad, bagels, cream cheese, pastries, coffee and tea. Dress code is comfortable, but neat, no sneakers, no jeans.

First timers are complimentary.

For info. call Nick 718 891-4209 or Pearl 718 332-7825 or email [Dancezee@aol.com](mailto:Dancezee@aol.com)



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## KISMET'S CIGAR NIGHTS—4TH FRIDAYS

Kismet's Cigar Club meets upstairs in Club Kismet on the forth Friday of every month, from 7pm to midnight. Enjoy great smokes, snacks, drinks and the company of fellow Masons and Shriners.

Our Cigar Club features a great assortment for you to choose from, hand selected by the Club Manager himself (always with the assistance of the Club Members). Often there is a theme to the night, other times it's an assortment of sticks.

If you haven't yet enjoyed a cigar night at Kismet, give it a try—you won't be disappointed. Of course, the nights are open to all Shriners and Master Masons so bring your friends and Brethren as well.

Remember, a \$20 entrance gets you two cigars of your choice and I'll give you your first drink. Snacks, sodas and hard liquor are always available. Join us from 7pm to midnight.







# Kismet Shrine Tree of Life



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

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## **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 516-522-0620 or [RLMagidson@gmail.com](mailto:RLMagidson@gmail.com).

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Circle one:    Leaf                    Acorn                    Foundation Stone

Line 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Line 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Line 3: \_\_\_\_\_

Donated by: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**KISMET SHRINE TEMPLE**  
**PETITION FOR INITIATION AND MEMBERSHIP**

PRINT OR TYPE NAME IN FULL

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Wife's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Business Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
Business Phone \_\_\_\_\_ email address \_\_\_\_\_

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

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,  
Regulations and Edicts of the Imperial Council together with those of your Temple.

Signature (Full Name Please) \_\_\_\_\_

Special Initiation Fee \$99 Includes a Fez and first year dues (*must accompany petition*)

Enclose a check payable to Kismet Shrine or charge the Fee/Fez to a Master Card \_\_\_\_\_ or Visa \_\_\_\_\_ account  
Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration date \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print) Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Day Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Complete this application and mail it to:

Kismet Shrine Temple  
PO Box 834  
Hicksville NY 11801

# YOU ARE INVITED TO KISMET SHRINE PATIENT TRANSPORTATION UNIT'S SILENT AUCTION AND FUNDRAISER

Come and support this 501(c)(3) charity that transports patients to Shriners Hospitals for CHILDREN. All funds go directly to the needs of our patients. Medical services are provided by **Shriners Hospitals for Children** regardless of a family's ability to pay

FREE ADMISSION



TONS OF PRIZES

**Shriners International**

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2013**

**6 TO 10 PM**

**YER MANS IRISH PUB**

70-26 88<sup>TH</sup> STREET

GLENDALE, NY

(718) 894-4442

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT ROBERT AT (917) 837-1992

OR GO TO



[KISMET SHRINE TRANSPORTATION UNIT](#) LIKE US!



FOOD AND DRINK SPECIALS



PRIZES, GIFT BASKETS, 50/50



# IT'S TIME FOR MASA AT VIRGINIA BEACH

Kismet Shrine invites you to join in on the fun and Fez-tivities at the 2013 Mid Atlantic Shrine Association gathering at Virginia Beach. Join us as we proudly march up Atlantic Avenue showing our pride in being part of the Shrine!



Our time in Virginia Beach will run from Thursday September 5<sup>th</sup> - Sunday September 8<sup>th</sup> and we are staying at:

Clarion Inn & Suites--- 2604 Atlantic Avenue, Virginia Beach, VA, US, 23451. Phone: (757) 961-8190.



The cost is \$550 per suite and includes three nights at the hotel, hot breakfast each morning, Kismet's post-parade lunch and Hotel hospitality room!

For reservations or more information, contact Noble Raaj Bandy (516) 378-2900 or Assistant Rabban George Heyen (516) 639-0816 or [clown04@verizon.net](mailto:clown04@verizon.net). If you are set and ready to go, fill in the information on this form and mail it to:

Kismet Shrine- VB

18 West Nicolai Street

Hicksville, NY 11801

Please include a check or credit card information and return the form to Kismet by August 1<sup>st</sup>.



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Please reserve my room for MASA Virginia Beach 2013

Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Check Enclosed ☐ Bill my Credit Card ☐

Card Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Card # \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ 3 digit CSC: \_\_\_\_\_

Kismet Shrine  
P.O. Box 834  
Hicksville, NY 11804



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Email the Fez Editor and tell him to put you on our electronic distribution list.

We will always have a few printed versions up in Club Kismet for you to enjoy.



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## CONTENT FOR THE FEZ

Remember that The Fez is yours—so if you have something you'd like to say to the Nobility send an email to the Fez Editor and have your voice heard. Events (past or future), pictures, etc. are all welcome.