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WORD
OF EL KATIF SHRINERS



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NOTE FROM THE POTE - *ll. Sir Michael Castelan*

Nobles and Ladies,

Happy fall to all! As we enter the last part of the year I want to thank you for all of the support my lady and I have received. It has been busy since Imperial session.

We are going to be changing over the **Legion of Honor** from a Club to a Unit. Their duties of spreading the word of Shriners have been incredible. We also have started to revive the **Mounted Patrol** with the help of **Noble Matt Griffin**.

Our **Chief Rabban Chris Wirts** once again, with the help of our hospital did an incredible job with our hospital fundraising Telethon with a huge thank you to KXLY for giving us 14 hours of airtime along with all the nobles and ladies that volunteered their time. We even had one new

Noble Jeremiah Rogers, who took the day off from work to help answer phones for the entire time!

October 23rd will be our Halloween party. Enjoy the evening for fun. November 5th we will once again be honoring all of those who served our country at the Salute to Veterans event.

Our annual winter Ceremonial will be held Saturday, November 15th, there will be a meet & greet, Friday night, November 14th. The Ceremonial allows us to welcome new nobles and their families.

Please join us on November 29th at our Event Center to experience the scene of a Cornerstone Ceremony for our Silent Messenger by the **Washington Grand Lodge** led by our own **Most Worshipful Grand Master Roger Nelson**. Looking forward to the future, let us make the remainder of the year a place to make memories for our nobles and our families.

Faternally yours,

Michael A. Castelan, Potentate El Katif Shriners

NOTES FROM THE RECORDERS DESK - *ll. Sir John Robertson, P.P.*

Summer is coming to a close and fall is approaching fast. As it is every year, the sunshine of the days becomes shorter and evenings start a little earlier. The parade season is fast approaching a close for the year with a handful to come over the next few months, the fair season is in the books and with any hope everyone did a little better than last year. Thank you to all of the Nobles, their Ladies, families and friends that supported everything over the summer. I heard that there was great success by all those involved in different functions throughout our jurisdiction.

The Stated meetings for El Katif, the Clubs and Units have all started up again. As a reminder **"All Club and Unit Elections need to be held in October, and the officers should be reported to the Temple Recorder no later than November 30th"**. Please make sure to send in your new officers for 2026 asap so we can get them updated in WebFez as well as have them ready for the new roster that we would like to have finalized before the end of the year. As Nobles, please double check your current information in the roster or WebFez. Let us know if anything needs to be updated. You as a Noble can go into WebFez and update your own information should you like to take on this adventure. If you have trouble, please call and we will help you. There are lots of interesting things to read, study and learn to help make your experience as a Noble, Club or Unit Leader more exciting and rewarding.

As a reminder your 2026 dues notices have arrived in your emails. Let's be pro-active, go online and pay your dues. With a few strokes on your keypad, setting the example for everyone else. Paying your dues early will help expedite your new Black Membership Card to be sent to you before everyone else. These new cards will not have a date on them any longer and we will soon be checking you into meetings by using a QR code scanner rather than writing down your name and number helping to speed up getting into meetings.

As a reminder we will be voting on the updated El Katif ByLaws at our October meeting. You were notified of the vote taking place at our October meeting and a copy of the suggested revisions of our bylaws were in our September Word magazine as well as announced in our September meeting. We also have copies available at the Recorder's office should you need one.

Ill Sir Michael and Lady Jana have planned a number of events coming in the next few months. October there is our Stated meeting, we will have Spirit Halloween at our Event Center on October 14, we have a Costume party coming October 23. Tribute to Veterans at our November Stated meeting, the Fall Ceremonial is November 14, 15. We need more candidates so you have time to bring your petitions to the office and we can get them set up for balloting. I would like to **"Thank"** all of the Nobility for your support of **Ill Sir Michael and Lady Jana** and their Divan through your participation in meetings, parades, fairs, Official Visits and special projects. Together we really do make a difference in the community not only by our actions but also through our words. Remember when wearing and sharing your Shrine-Mason regalia, people are watching, not only in person but also online. Every action has a reaction, every reaction has a result, every result has a consequence. Is that the consequence and result you are looking for?

Teamwork - "Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success."

-Henry Ford

Yours in True Faith

John Robertson PP, Recorder

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Dear Fellow Nobles,

As Masons and Shriners, we have the privilege of building brotherhood with men of every background, sect, religion, and political thought. Far from dividing us, these differences make us stronger. Our desire to serve one another and our community unites us and gives us to understand that we are each a part of something larger than ourselves.

The recent news has been horrific — a public figure assassinated at a speaking event, another school shooting, the murder of a woman on a train, all happening as the country is remembering the lives lost 24 years ago during the 9/11 attacks. Nationwide, it's sparking shock, sorrow and a lot of conversation.

As Masons, we are committed to unity of purpose. We know that politics and religion can be divisive, and that this division only serves to distract us and detract from our mission. That's why we avoid such discussion within our lodges. This principle of preserving unity has served us well for over 300 years.

As Shriners, we further understand how important it is that our words and actions project character and compassion — because we are the caretakers of our philanthropy. We must protect the reputation of the fraternity, because we rely on that reputation to attract support for Shriners Children's from donors, referring physicians and patient families.

That's why we, in our capacity as Shriners, must avoid interjecting ourselves into passionate political discussions. Fraternity members are certainly able to express their own personal political views, but we must never do so while being identified as a Shriner, while working as a Shriner, or while wearing the fez.

Our calling is higher than interjecting ourselves in the political drama of the hour. We want our fraternity to be seen as a force for good in a troubled world. Instead of being drawn into the fray, let us reflect on these tragic events and strive to grow in understanding and compassion.

Through our words and deeds, we can lead the way in mending our country, demonstrating character, compassion and a devotion to unselfishly making the world a better place for all.

Yours in the faith,
Brad T. Koehn Imperial Potentate

IN MEMORIAM

The following Nobles were summoned to mount the Black Camel and across that sublime desert since our last publication:

Wayne A Wright

September 05, 1931 to August 15, 2025
Created a Shriner: November 17, 1961

Don Joseph "DJ" Richard

February 18, 1938 to September 21, 2025
Created a Shriner: November 06, 2017

Please take a moment to look in your copy of the directory and make sure we have not missed anyone.

Please email OfficeAdmin@elkatif.org or call 509-624-2762 if you know of any Noble who has passed!

We regret when Nobles pass away without proper acknowledgement.

As Brothers, they are worthy of our recognition.

**When you learn of a Nobles passing, please contact us:
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October Birthdays

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October 2: Frederic J Anderson P.P. Erik K Haynes	October 20: William L Mitchell Ryan A Rodriguez Tyler Wright
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October 6: Donald M Giese Ernest P Miranda	October 26: Harry D Taylor October 28: John R Lawson October 29: Larry J Miller Jerald F Klinkenberg
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October 13: Jesse L Pew October 14: L Kevin Whitehall October 16: Marvin W Rose John R Weber Hank C Shafer Evan Childears	
October 17: Ronald G Rodgers Matt Griffin	



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Oktoberfest is here!!

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1ST

Nobles & Ladies

Social- 5:30pm

Dinner- 6:00pm

Meeting- 7:00pm

Stated meeting to vote on
El Katif Bylaws updates

Please call to RSVP



EL KATIF CLUB & UNIT REPORTS

Welcome to all, and thank you for your support here! Have an article to submit? Email your article to OfficeAdmin@elkatif.org no later than the 10th of every month!

MoonShriners

Jamie Bockstruck - Reporter

The fair has come and gone and the Moonshriners would like to thank everyone who helped us at the elephant ears booth this year. Til next year...

We had our fair appreciation dinner on October 4th for everyone who worked the booth. We had a great dinner and a great turnout.

We participated in the valleyfest parade on September 19th. It was a great time.

On a sad note, **Charlie Yeaw**, a member of *Concordia Lodge no. 249* and a member of the *Moonshriners*, passed away on August 28th. Our thoughts and prayers go to his lady Muriel and to the rest of the Yeaw family. He will be missed.

Northeast Washington Shrine Club

Rob Proctor - Reporter

Tin Lizzie Patrol

Greetings Ladies and Nobles from your NEWSC! Parade season went well for us, but more drivers for the Lizzies are always appreciated. Our big fundraiser went well again this year. We're looking forward to seeing you all at the Hot Sands in November.

Fraternally,
Rob Proctor, 509-953-8276

Giggles 'n' Smiles

Jamie and Jenn Bockstruck - Reporter

We have been busy over the summer and now into fall! In August with Spokane Highland Games at the Spokane County fairgrounds, Cops and Kids at Balfour Park. In September, we had the Wandermere Block Party, Beyond the Call of Duty Car Show at Lone Wolf Harley Davidson, SVFD Open House and BrickWest Brewery Great Pumpkin Fest, a whopping 6 weekend events!

In October, we have the BrickWest Brewery Great Pumpkin Fest continuing, Spirit Halloween Party at the Shrine Event and RMH Trunk and Treating event.

We need help with all of the events! We are looking for helpers, volunteers and members to:

- Greet parents and their children
- Face paint (training will be provided to those who are interested)
- To make a difference in a child's life.
- Bring smiles to young and old.
- Hear stories about how Shriners Children helped their child out.

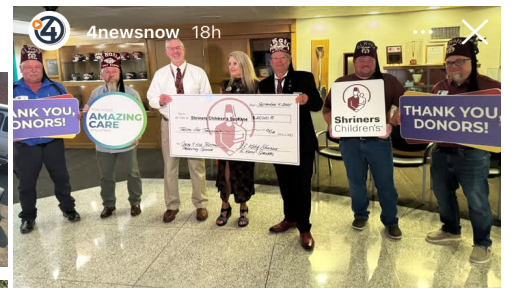
Donations we receive will go to the Shriners Children transportation fund.

Please contact **President Jamie Bockstruck** at (509) 496-0902 or **Jennifer** at (509) 230-7311 for more information.

End of Fair & Parade Season



More Summer Memories



Columbia Basin Shrine Club Richard Redick - Reporter

Nobles and Ladies, as I write this article for the October issue of The Word, I am still on a high from our combined meeting of the **Blue Mountain Shrine Club** and the **Columbia Basin Shrine Club** at Walla Walla on September 12. This served as the OV for both clubs. It was well attended by both clubs, and the menu was excellent (Note: The dinners are always excellent at Walla Walla. Their caterer, **Marty** always prepares the most delicious meals!). More importantly, every table was full or nearly so, and the conversations at each table were wonderful. It was simply a wonderful night to be remembered celebrating the bonds that bring us together in Shrinedom. The addresses by **Chief Rabban Chris Wirts**, and by our **Potentate Michael Castelan** were informative, enjoyable, and they really made those of us far away from Spokane know in our souls that we are all one Shrine Family. Much thanks to our counterparts at BMSC for making this happen!

Calendar:

- » October 3, 2025 – Next stated meeting of the CBSC at 7 pm in Pasco at 1811 W. Sylvester Street / Pasco, WA 99301. Social hour begins at 6 pm. Our youth groups will be providing the meal, and it will be good.
- » November 7, 2025 – Stated meeting of the CBSC. Same bat time, same bat channel. Again, the meal will be provided by our youth groups, and will be something very appetizing.
- » November 8, 2025 – West Richland Veterans Day Parade. Parade begins at 9:30. We will be expected to be there in place by 8 am. The weather will be cooler. This is truly one of our most enjoyable parades, and it is the last one of the year.

Please, Nobles, let's make a strong showing for this parade.

- **Noble Richard Redick**, Reporter

Mobile Unit John Robertson, PP - Reporter

Amazing things happen when one is persistent and has faith in what they are attempting to achieve. It has taken a while, but we have a team of Mobileers that are excited to get the Red Caddie and the Giant Red Fez back out on the road spreading the word about El Katif and Shriners alike.

Thank you, **Nobles Doug, Jeremy and Dee Jay**. We look forward to being in several Parades this coming year. These Nobles are not only dedicated to the Mobile Unit, but they volunteer doing many other things around El Katif. If you happen to run into one of them, please make sure to say **"Thank you"** for all that they do.

Remember when you are wondering why you became a Shriner- It is about the fun we have together, The Children we help along the way and legacy we might leave behind for those Nobles that have not yet joined our Fraternity. If you know a good man who is not yet a

Freemason share the stories of the fun we have, the good things we do and of the children we help. Inspire others to ask that question – *How do I get involved in helping you help others?* Together we make a difference and together we are stronger as we work to help others and have lots of fun along the way when we do.

-**John Robertson PP** reporting on behalf of the Mobileers.

"It always seems impossible until it's done."

-**Nelson Mandela**

1899 Club Jerry Schieche, PP - Reporter

Hard to believe that summer is almost over and here we go with Stated Meetings and events to attend. We have attended our last parade the parade vehicles are put away and looking forward to next year. It is so special to participate in these local parades and have people on the street let us know how we helped a friend or relative at our Hospital. If you haven't yet attended a local parade as a Shriner, plan on getting involved next year.

It was also great to work in the food booth and the elephant ear booth at the Interstate Fair. Both groups (the **Moonshriners** and **South Spokane Shrine Club**) needed help and the Shriners stepped up to the plate and helped out. That is what is important in our organization. If someone needs help, there is always someone there to help. Be proud to be a Shrine/Mason.

We have a new **Grand Master of Masons** in Washington that we all know and love. **Roger Nelson** served as our Potentate in 2021 and did a fabulous job. Now he is leading all Masons of Washington and will attend many Lodges in our area. Whenever you hear that he is going to attend a meeting in our area, do your best to support him and the Lodge by attending. I know he will appreciate it.

Please look closely at the events that are coming up in October. Get involved and I guarantee that you will enjoy the time you spend with Shriners and their Ladies. Without our support, it won't be much fun for anyone.

I can't stress the following statement enough. If you are a new Shriner or even have been a Shriner for a long time and have a question about anything, please do not hesitate to ask.

The most important thing that we can do as Shriners and Masons is communicate. The only dumb question is the one you know the answer to. The Shrine office is the best place to find the answers you need. Please ask questions.

-**Jerry Schieche, PP**

Museum Committee
The Museum Curators - Reporters

Tommy Rousseau Shriner extraordinaire, El Katif Photographer, Imperial Photographer... The Man, The Myth, The Legend. **Tommy** became a Shriner in the 60's and was a model Shriner by every sense of the word.

He was known by all, was at every event, took everyone's picture, and always had a smile on his face. He was also a veteran, coached American League baseball, a founder of Edgecliff Park, worked with Cub Scouts, and within the Shrine, one of the founders of the 10-gallon club (El Katif Shrine blood donors), a member of the Clowns known as "Flash the Clown", made the 100 Million Dollar Club in 1975, was Shriner of the Year, was appointed International Imperial Photographer in 1983, a member of Muhtaz and was involved in many other clubs and units. He even had his own "Shrine" pin. Check out the display in the museum.

In memory of **Tommy Rousseau**, Shriner Muhtaz, El Katif Photographer, Imperial Photographer
III Sir. Jim Stewart and Lady Michele, PP
Lady Diana Postlewait



Blue Mountain Shrine Club
Doug Warnock, Reporter

Twelve Nobles and Ladies assisted in raising funds for Spokane's Children's during a concert by Foreigner at the Walla Walla Fair and Frontier Days on August 27. The Nobles and Ladies were from both the **Blue Mountain and Columbia Basin Shrine Clubs**. Foreigner has a history of raising money to help our kids when they are entertaining near Shriner Hospitals. Nobles and Ladies helped sell CDs, Vinyl records and guitars to people attending the concert. The proceeds were given to Spokane's Children's through this activity.

Potentate Michel Castelan with his **Lady Jana** and members of his Divan met with the **Blue Mountain and Columbia Basin Shrine Clubs** for a delicious prime rib dinner on his annual visit, September 12. Blue Mountain Shrine Club enjoyed the evening of fellowship with our Shriner brothers and their Ladies.



South Spokane Shrine Club
John Robertson, PP - Reporter

Thank you! Thank You! Thank You! Goes out to all that helped in sharing their time to assist us with this years Food Booth at the Spokane Interstate Fair. A few notable extra "Thank you's" go to **Noble Jim Babb** who is our extensively trained and qualified German sausage and Beef Frank cooker as he was there every single day of the fair getting us started and set up for a productive and profitable evening with the supplies ready to go. I do not think we missed a sale through his efforts in making us look good. **Noble Doug and Lady Wendy Baker** are another couple that dedicated the week prior and week of by helping get the booth repainted, cleaned up and helped fill in countless hours in making sure we were open each day, ready to go throughout the day and sometimes even closing the booth down with me. I would also like to thank **Nobles Jeremy Thomas and Ken Massender** for their help in getting things ready a week before the fair opened. Your friendship and dedication to El Katif are greatly appreciated. Thank you to **Lady Bridget** for allowing me to spend the hours working on the booth, helping man the booth and for helping us out by volunteering with us. Thank you to **Noble Mat, Kinsey, Savannah, Lucie and Kam**, being a Shriner really is a family affair. We really could not have made this happen without your support. Thank you to the Nobles of the SSSC for having faith in me to operate the booth again this year. The final numbers are not quite finished yet, but it looks like it will be another great year.

Thank you to all the volunteers that helped each day not only with the Food Booth but also with the Membership Booth. If it was not for **Nobles Doug Schroeder** and Noble extraordinaire **Greg Morgensen**, we would have struggled a little. We had **Nobles John Bliss and Richard Cummings** step up to cover a few extra shifts. The **1899 Club** covered three nights so the rest of us had an opportunity to gather some rest or work on some other portion of making the Interstate Fair a success this year. We were able to give **Ill Sir Michael** a check for \$5,000 to be used in the Temple Donation to the Telethon this year. Thank you to all of those that help make this happen.

We had our Official Visit on Sept 18th, and it was our annual Brown Bag Auction. Thank you to **Illustrious Sir Michael, Lady Jana** and all the Divan that joined us that night. What a Hoot!!! Thank you very much **Noble Denny and Lady Mary** for getting us a great Auctioneer to help bring laughter and fun to the event. Thank you to **Lady Marcy Cockle** for always being the one to get into trouble with the Auctioneer bringing laughter and smiles to all. Thank you **Noble Ron Cockle** delivering the auction items, getting the bid number and being the muscle to collect the funds.

As we head into fall it is a time to remember to be involved in all the concordant bodies, we belong to by attending the stated meetings, special meetings and sharing stories of how much fun we have as El

Katif Shriners. Who knows who might be listening and even ask about how to get more involved in the Shrine. Laughter and fun are had by all when we meet together.

-John Robertson PP Reporting on behalf of the Nobles of the SSSC

"So powerful is the light of unity that it can illuminate the whole earth."-Attributed to Baha'u'llah

Actors
Ryan Leonard - Reporter

I hope this message finds you doing well. It's hard to believe, but as I write this September is well under way and fall is nearly upon us.

For the September edition of The Word, I posed the following trivia question. *This summer, another Superman movie was released. But in this film, the Man of Steel has a dog. What is the name of that dog?*

The answer is....Krypto (named after Superman's home planet of Krypton).

And now, October's trivia question. *What is the name of the actor who played Nakoma on the television series "The Life and Times of Grizzly Adams" and Michael Myers in Halloween 5: The Revenge of Michael Myers"?-* The answer will be revealed in November.

The Actors conferred on the Cold Sands for two new Nobles at our September stated meeting on Wednesday, September 3. I want to congratulate these new Nobles and welcome them to El Katif! To those new Nobles, just a little reminder. Somewhere along your Masonic journey, you have undoubtedly heard that you will get out of Masonry what you put into Masonry. The same holds true for the Shrine, so I encourage you to check out the different clubs and units that the Shrine has to offer and then get involved in the fun! I will admit some bias, though, when I say the Actors Unit is the best.

To our new Nobles, you might be wondering what the difference is between the Hot Sands ceremonial and the Cold Sands ceremonial? In the Cold Sands, you are initiated by an average of four Nobles in jacket and tie. In the Hot Sands, you are initiated by several Nobles in full costume and performing on an elaborate stage. **Even if you were initiated during a Cold Sands, you are highly encouraged to attend the Hot Sands.**

Finally, the Actors are always looking to add to their ranks (a subtle hint for you new Nobles). If you enjoy dressing up in costume and performing on stage, or if you enjoy working with stage lighting as well as set up and take down, then we want to hear from you! Please contact our **president, Illustrious Sir John Robertson, at (509) 590-5441** or via email at **jbrobertson8@gmail.com**.

That is it for now, Nobles! I look forward to seeing all of you at the October stated meeting. Fraternally, **Ryan Leonard**

Legion of Honor
Billy Eberly - Reporter

Greetings from the Legion of Honor
Well, the Legion has been busy for the last two months with funerals and parades. We did the Fairfield, Lilac, Reardan, Deer Park and Valley Fest parades. Also, the Animal Chairmen made it to the Deer Park Parade on the Legion of Honor Pickup.

It seems we use the same three or four Nobles all the time. We could use some fresh young blood in the Unit, our oldest is 97 years young. We have been running short with vacations, weddings and sick family members. **Robert** goes to Oregon to see his mom, **Landry and Greg** who have been visiting Montana. Our present Commander is working double duty; he is currently building his dream house for **Brenda** and their two dogs, while working with AMR.

We had our elections for 2026, **Robert Broliar** is our new Commander, **Landry Smallfoot** is our President. Of course, these positions are only held for a one-year term. Seems like we might have to re-use one of our Past Commanders in the future years.

We also had our bylaws changed, effective the first of the year we will no longer be a Club, we will now be a Temple Unit. This adjustment has alleviated some of our financial strain, not all but some.

There has been talk about moving the meetings a little closer to town to help ease the drive for some members as the Winter months are approaching.

Finally, LOH is looking to add to their roster. If you are interested in joining the fellow Legion of Honor members, we look forward to connecting with you! Please contact **Dave Campanella at 509-570-3808**, **Robert Broliar at 509-869-5715** or myself, **Billy Eberly at 509-995-5404**.

There is nothing that does your heart relieve more than sending a fellow brother off than doing the rifle salute.

Yours in Brotherhood, **Bill Eberly**



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Fraternal Relations
Ryan Leonard - Reporter

I hope this note finds you well. It's hard to believe that as I write this, we are well into September, and fall will soon be upon us.

On the youth group front, **Noble Doug Schroeder** reports that this year's Masonic Youth Night at the Ball Park was a great success, with 75 people representing our Masonic Youth. Fun was had by all, and the evening ended with a great fireworks show.

Empire Chapter of DeMolay has a new Master Counselor, and his name is **Denver Heath**.

On October 4, Lilac Rainbow Assembly will be having their Official Visit at 7:00 PM. There will be a dinner before the meeting at 5:30 PM and it will be breakfast for dinner. **RSVPs are requested, and you can RSVP by email to eawadeputy@gmail.com.**

On Saturday November 22 from 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM **Empire Chapter DeMolay** will be holding a pancake breakfast at Audubon Park Lodge, located at 2821 W Northwest Blvd. **Cost will be \$15.00 per person.**

On Friday, November 28 come and have fun at Rainbow's 21+ Christmas Bingo.

The very next day, Saturday, November 29, there will be two events. The first is the **El Katif Silent Messenger Cornerstone Ceremony**, which will take place at the El Katif Shrine Temple. Later, at 3:00 PM there will be a joint District Meeting between District 27 and District 30 at Concordia Lodge in Millwood.

Let's get out and have NOBLES on the sidelines at our youth meetings.

Audubon Park Youth meetings:

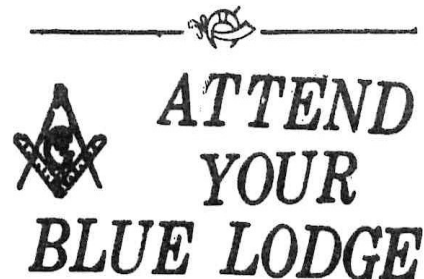
- **Empire Chapter DeMolay** 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 7PM.
- **Rainbow** 1st and 3rd Monday at 7PM.

Concordia Lodge youth meeting:

- **Job's Daughters Bethel 44** meets on the 2nd and 4th Mondays at 7PM. located at 3219 N Argonne Rd in Millwood.

That's all for now, Nobles! I look forward to seeing you soon!

Fraternally, **Ryan Leonard**



Whitman County Shrine Club

Jeff Pietila - Reporter

The Nobles of the **Whitman County Shrine Club (WCSC)** held their traditional Fall kick off meeting at the club's food booth at the Palouse Empire Fair on the morning of September 6th.

This has been the WCSC tradition for the past several years, the club voted to support the FFA and 4-H stock sale. The funds for this donation were generated from the sales at the food booth, and supported every young person who showed at the market sale. Additional business at the meeting included club **president, Tom Simpson**, mentioning how grateful the club has been over the past few years to have **Noble Steve Van Dyke** serve as the fair booth manager. **Tom** also spoke about the support of **Jones Trucking and Implement** of Colfax for their efforts to sponsor the modernization of the electrical system, lighting and ceilings within the food booth.

This year the club was supported in their efforts at the booth by the traditional cast of Cowan, better known as Nobles, and their family members. The club was also honored to have the support of **Past Potentates Jeff Lane and Kim Berg**, as well as their ladies, **Brandy and Jill**.

The club's visibility has been strong this summer as the group continues to ride their fleet of 1961 Cushman motor scooters at parades throughout the region covered by El Katif.

The next meeting of the WCSC will be on 14th at C and D's Bar and Grill in Tekoa. Social and dinner will be at 6:00 with the meeting to follow. Fraternally submitted, **Jeff Pietila**, Club Secretary

Greeters

Bob Valentine, - Reporter

Greeters -- Well, we missed having a September meeting, GREETERS.... So, we sure had a fun time putting on the WATER BUFFALO DEGREE for the nobles at the September Shrine Stated Meeting, didn't we? **Illustrious Sir Michael Castelan, Chief Rabban Chris Wirts Recorder John Robertson, & P.P. Roger Nelson, Grand Lodge Master of WASHINGTON**, ALL became new Workers in the QUARRY with the rest of the WATER BUFFALOS!! And Thank YOU too all the participants who took part in putting on the degree.

Hope you are ALL ready for FALL,-- perhaps we will enjoy a little Indian SUMMER before Mother Nature Kicks US in the BUTT with some really COLD weather! Guess we'll take what she dishes out with WHATEVER IT IS to come>>>

The new Greeters Necktie design will consist of Artwork from local Shrine Patients & it will be produced by a LOCAL company, and it was voted that the Greeters Administration funds would cover the cost of those ties for ALL Greeters & then they would be FOR SALE for any & ALL Nobles @ PNSA Winter session...

Such a shock that I just (Sept. 22nd) received the Email from **John Robertson** that **Noble Don Richard** had passed in his sleep!!! Such SAD News --however I have Volunteered to take over his duties as SCHEDULER for the GREETER DUTY Calendar, for the time being...

Greeters -- don't forget to call or text or e-mail ME, BOB VALENTINE, (559) 740-6014 or robertvltn44@yahoo.com, with your desired date to get on the Greeter DUTY Calendar. We have had quite good coverage at the Greeters Station the last couple months -- LET'S KEEP it UP!!!

The next Greeters Meeting is on OCTOBER 2nd in the Board Room of the Hospital -- 4th Floor
JOIN the GREETERS & HAVE SOME FUN MEETING OUR PATIENTS & PARENTS!

Why not become a volunteer and join the Greeters, who help all the Staff members at the SHRINERS CHILDREN'S SPOKANE hospital -- It only requires committing to 1 day per month!



Fall Geremonial
November
14th and 15th 2025
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NOVEMBER 5TH 2025

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Pote's Lady Corner



Nobles and Ladies , October is here and so is fall.

Thank you very much to **The Coeur d'Alene Nile Club, Daughters of the Nile**, for your generous donation to the Caring for Kids Telethon. A Huge Shout out to **CBSC and BMSC** for an amazing OV and Honored Ladies Luncheon.

This month will be some events you will not want to miss. Wednesday, October 1st –We are celebrating **Oktoberfest**, so come dressed in your German Regalia, and come participate in the fun!

Thursday, October 23rd, **El Katif Halloween Party**. Join us and get your Spook on!! Costumes appreciated or come as you are. Come join in on all the fun!

I want to thank all who have purchased tiles, beads, coins and donations to make my project a reality. The statue will be dedicated, along with a Cornerstone Ceremony by our very own **MWGM Roger B. Nelson, Jr., PP** on Saturday, November 29th. There are still tiles available, beads and coins. We are still shy of the funds needed to complete the project. We are looking forward to a great month of fellowship and fun! Ladies, we are looking forward to seeing you soon! This month is open and come enjoy the fun! With Appreciation, **Jana Castelan**, Potentate's Lady of El Katif Shriners



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Pasta 7th Annual & Bottle Dinner Auction

El Karnak Temple No 6
Daughters of the Nile
Saturday, October 18, 2025
San Souci West
3231 W Boone Ave - Spokane

No Host Beverages
Social Hour: 4-5:00pm
Pasta Dinner: 5-6:00pm
Bottle Auction Follows
Tickets: \$15.00 / Under age 10: \$5.00



Lasagna
Salad
Garlic Bread
Italian Dessert
A Mimosa, Beer or Pop



Tickets **MUST** be purchased
By October 11, 2025.

For more info on our CashApp, please contact: Jenn B (509) 230-7311.
Must be 21 yrs of age to participate in auction! Proceeds from Dinner and Auction go to El Karnaks General Fund.
Proceeds from 50/50 Raffle go to Shriners Children's Spokane.



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OCTOBER 2025						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 El Katif Oktoberfest Oakesdale #55	2 Greeter meeting Waverly #231 Temple #42	3 CBSC meeting	4 Moonies Appreciation Dinner
5	6 Rainbow Girls Meeting Manito #246	7 Rosalia #84	8 Whitman #49 Audubon Park #272 Spangle #131	9 Concordia #249	10 BMSC & NEWSC meeting North Hill #210	11
12	13 LOH & OCSC & Bethel 44 & Job's Daughters meeting	14 WCSC & DeMolay meeting Spirit Halloween Shriners Hospital Event	15 Oakesdale #55	16 SSSC meeting Waverly #231	17	18
19	20 Hospital Board Meeting AM Moonies & Rainbow Girls Meeting Oriental #74	21 Malden #88 Spokane #34	22 Spangle #131 - Ladies & Friends	23 El Katif Halloween Party	24 North Hill #210	25
26	27 Bethel 44 & Job's Daughters meeting	28 DeMolay meeting	29	30	31 Happy Halloween	Día de los muertos



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