



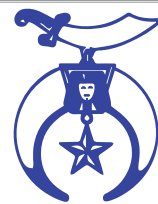
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RISING STARS

Helping Our Patients Discover Their Potential and Believe in Their Dreams

Shriners Hospitals for Children® is committed to providing what we call wrap-around care. It means we maintain a family-centered approach and are concerned with our patients' overall health and well-being.

This can mean different things for different patients. It can include finding ways to help them play with their friends, enhance their education, enjoy a hobby and live more independently. The staff of Shriners Hospitals for Children is known for taking the time to listen to our patients and families, learning of both their medical needs, as well as their hopes and dreams.

First Lady Alice Smith believes that giving our patients every possible advantage and opportunity to achieve helps them to become **Rising Stars**, and she is dedicated to strengthening their incredible spirits and abilities, helping them to have full, satisfying and productive lives.

TREATING UNIQUE NEEDS

To help each child who comes to Shriners Hospitals for Children become as independent as possible, we often introduce and provide assistive devices, especially through our various therapy programs. We provide our patients with physical, occupational, speech and recreational therapy.



Assistive devices can range from items to help learn or regain the ability to walk, to computer-driven augmentations for those with speech difficulties, to items that help children learn to feed or dress themselves. Assistive devices also include mobility aids, such as crutches, walkers and wheelchairs. We can also customize the devices to fit the specific needs of individual patients. The **Rising Stars** fundraising program will support these efforts.

*The appropriate value of goods/services received is \$11.25 for bead, \$7 for star necklace, \$15 for regular tie, \$17 for long tie, \$12 for pre-tied bow tie and \$15 for self-tied bow tie. This amount is not tax deductible.



INTEGRATING TECHNOLOGY

We also use assistive technology in our therapy programs, through the availability of various systems such as body weight supported gait training and functional electrical stimulation bikes. We are also concerned with our patients' quality of life, and work to provide, or make them aware of, adaptive recreation opportunities and items to provide additional kid-friendly mobility, such as adaptive toy cars or bikes.

"We all want our children to be happy and successful," said Lady Alice. "I want to help our patients move from the Shriners Hospitals system to successful, independent adult lives."

Lady Alice invites you to join her in supporting Shriners Hospitals for Children's efforts to provide our patients with appropriate assistive devices as well as skills they can use for a lifetime. Donors may purchase a unique necktie or bow tie, a beautiful bracelet bead or an elegant necklace featuring a beautiful star, or they may make donations online. Thank you for your compassion, generosity and support of Shriners Hospitals for Children.

To us, all of our patients, and their families, are **Rising Stars**. We are proud to support the availability of adaptive and assistive technology that helps them achieve their goals and become as independent and self-sufficient as possible.

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Potentate's Message

-Rudy F. Nobleza

This Shrine year is about to descend and open up a new one in the very near future. It is safe to say that our Shrine Temple, compared to a glass of water, is half-full. We have created a few good Masons, and made them Nobles. Our Shrine Temple is continuing to do its job for our children, thru the support, aid and assistance of Nobles who are selflessly sacrificing long and vigorous hours to strengthen and improve our endeavor. We still have to continue pursuing our goal of serving our children to the best, and knowing the character of our Nobles and their significant others, we will once again come out with a bigger smile than when we came in. I can never thank all the nobles and ladies who labored long and hard to make all our missions accomplished, in exemplary manner. To all of you, my deepest, and heartfelt gratitude. We have a good number of candidates breathlessly anticipating the ceremonials. and I am confident we will have a great turnout of our members supporting them. My prayers and condolences to the bereaved families of our Nobles who dropped their tools, and may their souls rest in eternal repose.

"Masonry teaches and fosters in the man the qualities of self-respect and self-help – the qualities that makes a man fit to stand by himself – yet it must foster in everyone who appreciates it as it should be appreciated the most beautiful and solemn ritual – it must foster in him a genuine feeling for the rights of others and for the feeling of others; and as Masons who help one another, help in a way that is free from the curse help; patronizing and condescension."
Theodore Roosevelt

Chaplain's Message -Dave Winesett

Serving others is a trademark of Shriners and all Masons. It is a fundamental part of the obligations we take when we become members of any Masonic body. Service is also a commitment we have to our Creator as we continue our journey through life. While we all cannot be missionaries or in full-time religious roles, we can fulfill our commitment to God by serving family, community, and our Masonic brothers and sisters. The Scriptures challenge us as to how we should serve. "Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not people..." (Ephesians 6:7.)

Opportunities for service abound in this time of the COVID-19 pandemic through delivering food, doing chores for neighbors who need help, and offering encouragement. Even smiles can brighten everyone's day!

Certainly, we as Shriners provide service in many ways to the thousands of children who benefit from Shriners Hospitals. By raising funds to support their medical treatment, by transporting them to the hospitals and through giving encouragement to the children to maintain their hope for the future, we are fulfilling our commitment. Let us remind ourselves and each other of our commitment to this service in everything that we do.

Congratulations to Noble Richard Bullard

who was installed as

Grand High Priest of the Royal Arch Masons of California.

We wish he and Lady Sharon safe travels in the coming year.

Chief Rabban Message -Peter Krickhuhn

It is almost mid-August and Summer is upon us. Fortunately, only 89 degrees here in Ramona. Also, of course the pandemic is still in full force as well and causing all of us to lie low and look shifty.

On the sunny side, my family celebrated a birthday of one of my daughters and her wish was to do it in La Jolla, just below the Curvier Park. We found a parking spot nearby (Connie's parking angel must have worked overtime) and set up a few umbrellas and chairs and once it was calm, I had a chance to look around and observe other visitors to the area. A lot of people wandered by and wouldn't you know, nearly 100% wore masks and were happy and friendly. With that sort of support, we should be able to lick this thing posthaste.

The 2021 Shrine Calendar is being prepared. If you want to look at it, you will find it on Al Bahr's website in its entire glory, <http://www.albahrshrine.org/calendar.html>. We have a number of festivities planned, involving all of the clubs and units. Next year will be the year of UNITY and my big hope is that we can see all of you at one or the other events. By the time you read this, we will have had our annual calendar meeting and all of the clubs and units will have had their chance to add all of their activities as well. I am looking forward to a nicely filled events calendar. I promise you to have more fun than you can handle.

Did you know that the Director's Staff has the ability to set up a ceremonial in just about any situation? Indoors, outdoors, it doesn't matter. Sound system, audio/visual, even a laptop or two, all of it no issue. Just point to a spot on the map and voila, the stage will be ready. Hopefully, next year we will see them in action. Of course, as you can imagine, staffing of the Staff is coming to an ever-lower level. I am asking you to look in the mirror (don't get scared, it's just you) and when you see yourself, ask yourself if you could not join the Staff for a couple of events or permanently. The pay is outstanding, you may even learn something new, you can feast on the hamburgers every Thursday and wear that orange shirt and hat. I guarantee that you will be known around the Shrine. OK, enough of my drivel. I hope to see all of you soon.

With all my Love for the Shrine.

Past Masters -Phil Johnson

Since our last communication we have lost two of our Club members. Worshipful Brothers Bill May and Lee Plastik have gone to the Celestial Lodge above and we wish to express our condolences to their families.

We also report that our Club President, Abe Ravitch, has suffered the loss of his mother and father. They both lived a long and exemplary life and were very proud of their son.

With the continued edict from the Grand Master, we are unable to hold any Masonic meetings or events. We will therefore, wait a time with patience and look forward to coming together once again. As soon as the restrictions are lifted we will plan a dinner and social to honor the 2020 Al Bahr Divan and our Honored Ladies.

My best to you all and may we continue in the grace of our Heavenly Father.

Legion of Honor - John Gowen

Hello Nobles – We're starting to see the light at the end of COVID tunnel. Multiple vaccine trials are in progress. These should be on the market well before we get anywhere close to natural herd immunity. 5 million cases identified in the US is still only about 1.5% of the US population. For now, video meetings look like they will be the new normal for a while.

The Legion plans to hold another Zoom call in September and I would love to see some of our Nobles from outside San Diego join us. We will meet at the usual time, September 26th at 11 AM. Keep an eye out for the email with the link information.

Tin Lizzies - Eison Brown

A-oogah! School is back and I hope everyone had a wonderful summer break despite our current situation. Normally we would have participated in numerous parades already by this time of the year. This month is usually when we'd get a little break from all those fun parades. I still encourage everyone to continue to have peace of mind, faith, hope, and most importantly charity. I know we all miss each other and being out on the road so please continue to look out and check in with one another. I pray that everyone and their families are well. If there are any Nobles interested in joining the Tin Lizzies, please let us know. We are always seeking new members and now would be a great time to tinker around with these cars. A Happy Labor Day and Patriot Day to y'all! A-hooga!

Antique/Classic Cars - Tom Mendoza

The Club has had some work done on the '41 Buick and a few more things are planned once we are able to meet again. With these needed repairs and a bit of a shine and buff, we'll be ready to get it out to the first Shrine parade. We are looking forward to the restaurants opening up again so we can have a Club dinner and social. My best to you all!

Peace Officers Shrine Club - Mike Randall

Dear Fellow POSC and other Nobles, Any Al Bahr member who is interested in the Peace Officers Shrine Club is welcome to attend our POSC meeting. If each of us just brings in one new member, we could be on our way to being the CLUB we once were. We need new members so if any of you wish to come and see what we do, please contact me below.

Members, please make sure that I have your current email address. Please RSVP your attendance at our meetings, so the quartermaster can schedule enough food for everyone. You may RSVP me back at this email address... randallml@aol.com or by calling me at my cell 619-888-mike(6453).

Our POSC meetings are now held QUARTERLY and on the Third Wednesday of the meeting month. Please see the dates below for all of our 2020 meeting dates. Our next meeting will be on October 21st at 5:30 social, dinner around 6:00 and around 7:00ish for our meeting. Assuming that we are out of lockdown...

Rancho Bernardo -Bob Powell

Like everything else there is nothing new to report for our Rancho Bernardo Shrine Club. We are hoping that we will be able to hold our Anniversary on November 19th and we do have Carvers Steak House reserved.

On a personal note, I am happy to say that Lady Karen is progressing quiet well from her recent hospital stay. She was very appreciative of all the cards and well wishes she received. Our Shrine family is the best!!!

Greeter Unit -Mike Randall

Dear Fellow Greeters and other Nobles:

Any Al Bahr member who is interested in the Greeter Unit is welcome to attend our Greeter meeting. If each of us just brings in one new member, we could be on our way to being the UNIT we once were. We need new members so if any of you wish to come and see what we do, please contact me below.

Members, please make sure that I have your current email address. Please RSVP your attendance at our meetings, so the quartermaster can schedule enough food for everyone. You may RSVP me back at this email address... randallml@aol.com or by calling me at my cell 619-888-mike(6453).

Our Greeter meetings are now held QUARTERLY and on the Second Monday of the meeting month. Please see the dates below for all of our 2020 meeting dates. Our next meeting will be on October 12th at 6:00 social, dinner around 6:30 and 7:00ish for our meeting. Assuming that we are out of lockdown.

Sons of the Desert -Bill Romer

Nobles, I hope all are safe and following the guidelines, so that we can get out of the COVID 19 restrictions and back to some sort of normal whatever that may be. Hope to see you on ZOOM for social get togethers, until then I wish you all well. Keep those prayers going for all that need them, especially John and Nancy Ford our mainstay kitchen King & Queen

Al Bahr O Meter needs your support

Every month the Temple sends out nearly 1,800 issues. The publication and mail costs for 2019 was more than \$28,000. We are asking that you consider donating at least \$35 per year for our Dime A Day DAD program to help fund the Al Bahr O Meter. Your name will appear in our monthly Al Bahr O Meter and you will be assisting the Temple in continuing our publications.

Betty Wong 9/20	John Gowen 2/21	Dora Nadeen Jones 6/21
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Verna Zopfi 11/20	Joe Allen 3/21	Ray Webb 7/21
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Ed Sutton 2/21	Barbara Drummond 6/21	



Sunshine Committee Report

In consideration of recently enacted Federal regulations, we are unable to provide full information on our ill and indisposed members. Please keep these nobles in your prayers Should you wish to contact one of these members, please call the office for further information.

Allen, Bill	Garsson, Steve	Maizlish, Greg	Smith, Sidney R.
Arney, Fred	Hahn, Lou PP	Markson, Richard E.	Stanley, Morton
Austin, Ed	Hampton, Robert	Mellos, Bill	Taylor, Bill
Bauersfeld, Richard	Heath, Don	Pirie, Dave PP	Thorpe, Lewis
Benson, James	Hodge, Carmi	Potsdam, Dan	Vance, Keith
Burris, Alfred	Hoffman, Leon	Rafferty, Alexander	Woods, Olen PP
Condon, Howard	Hoffmark, William	Ramos, Roy B.	
Crawford, Jim	Kellner, Albert	Rash, Ron	
Domingo, Bernardo	Johnston, Doug	Rosemier, Dennis	
Dudley, Kenneth	Lane, Buford	Schoen, Frank	
Galligan, Gordon	Lipa, Joseph	Shultz, Stephen	

Please let us know of any other ill or indisposed members

In Memoriam



NAME	BORN	CREATED A SHRINER	ENTERED INTO REST
Scott C. Pearce	6/26/1936	12/2/1989	7/17/2020
Jerry Brittsan	9/19/1935	11/15/1975	7/18/2020
Harlin C. "Bill" May	8/11/1929	12/3/1994	7/18/2020
Donald H. Lake	10/6/1955	5/31/2008	8/11/2020
John V. "Jay" Mamuyac	12/27/1961	7/25/2009	8/17/2020

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 of those who were
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