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Saturday, January 4, 2025 - 2:00 p.m.

Full Temple Installation

Friday, February 7, 2025 - 7:30 p.m.

Budget Business Meeting

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1885-89 William C. Nickum

1892-98 George W. Starr

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Allan Cleaveland

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C.J. Rex Williams

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Charles L. Johnston Jr. 2017

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Paul R. Reinke Jr.

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Mark E. Hartz

William W. Peat

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George E. Rogers

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Tony Fusco

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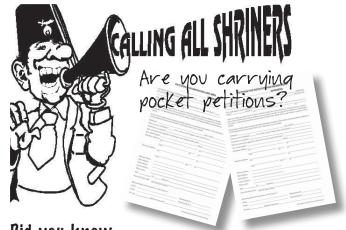
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To the Potentate, Officers, and Nobles of BOUMI SHRINERS, situated in the Oasis of Baltimore, in the Desert of Maryland:

I, the undersigned, hereby declare that I am a Master Mason in good standing in the following Lodge, which is a Lodge recognized by or in amity 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 Shriners International. I hereby make application to become a Noble of the Order, and a member of your temple.

If granted membership, I promise to conform to the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of Shriners International and the Bylaws and ceremonies of your temple.

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Spouse	
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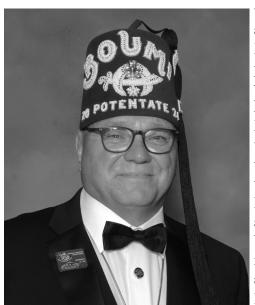
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Greetings to All Nobles and Ladies of Boumi Shriners



2024 Potentate Thomas C. Napper

s my and Lady Victoria's year comes to a close, I would like to take this opportunity to let everyone know how much I appreciate you honoring me by allowing me to be your Potentate for the year of 2024. I would like to thank my Divan for the support that you have given me for the year. There are a couple of people I would really like

to give my deepest appreciation to, and that would be Ernie & Kathleen Palmer for all the hard work they put into Victoria's and my year. I will say that we were extremely lucky to have Shrine parents like Ernie & Kathleen who took that job up, went above and beyond with their responsibility. I would like to recognize and thank the Boumi Ladies as well for all the behind the scenes work that they have done for Victoria & me, along with the Boumi office. Also, I want to send out a big thank you to John & Dawn Peery for helping with an outstanding, one-of-a-kind Potentates Ball.

That night was a very special evening for us and all of Boumi temple. I could not end my term without thanking Don Strathy for being my Chief Aide and always making sure that Victoria and I were well taken care of.

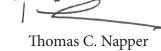
As for 2024, we had a great start with lots of fabulous things that happened. But as most of you know, halfway through the year, all got put on hold because of an injury. There were many more things I would have liked to have done for our temple, but I am confident that the incoming Divan will make sure that it gets accomplished. Victoria & I wish all the best to Karl & Susan Ballwanz for a strong and successful upcoming year.

In closing, as I have said all year, Boumi was not about me, and I couldn't have done my job as Potentate without all of the help from our Boumi family.

Just always remember, it's all about the children.

Thank you and God bless all of you and the Shrine family.

Yours in the Faith,



Illustrious Potentate

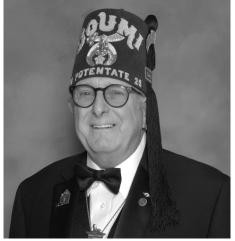


Illustrious Potentate-Elect 2025

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2025 Potentate Karl F. Ballwanz III & First Lady Susan

Karl F. Ballwanz III was born and raised in the Locust Point section of Baltimore City. He graduated from Mervo High School and later received a B.S. from Millersville University in Pennsylvania.



2025 Potentate Karl F. Ballwanz III

Being elected to Potentate of Boumi Shriners is not only an honor, but truly a privilege. As I look back into the history of our fraternity - where we were in 1884 and where we are now - it becomes apparent that I am now in a class of fine and upstanding Masons that forged our Brotherhood. I have, along with the elected and appointed Divan, put together a plan that is a step in the right direction to keep moving our Temple forward. Our monthly

Karl F. Ballwanz III

In July 1971, Karl began working for the Baltimore Gas and Electric Company in the Gas Fitting Department as a Gas Apprentice. During his tenure with BGE Karl earned several promotions which propelled him into the safety and health field, overseeing both job site safety as well as employee safety for several departments within BGE.

After retiring from BGE in 2006, Karl was employed by Clark Construction as the Senior Safety Manger overseeing the construction of the new Johns Hopkins Hospital. Upon leaving Clark Construction, Karl was employed by American Mechanical Services as their Corporate Safety Director, overseeing the safety operations for their ten locations throughout the United States.

Under his father's guidance, Karl's

Masonic Career actually began as a young man in 1967 when he joined Baltimore Chapter of DeMolay. Karl followed in his father and uncle's footsteps when he petitioned Concordia Lodge #13 and was selected to receive the degree work beginning in 1973, joining Boumi in 1982. Karl is also a member of the Scottish Rite, York Rite, and Tall Cedars.

During his time as an active Shriner, Karl has been the Captain of the Camel Wheels, Chief Ambassador and Colonel of the Units. Additionally, Karl has assisted with numerous events and functions.

Karl is married to his lovely wife Susan and between them they have five children, four daughters and a son, with five grandsons in tow.

programs will include the Masonic Youth Groups DeMolay, Job's Daughters, and Rainbow Girls. Our mission throughout 2025 will focus on membership, building maintenance, and supporting our Philadelphia Hospital.

Our membership plan will be twofold. One, we will reconnect with our card-carrying members and try to determine what we are lacking, what keeps them away. Secondly, we will continue to recruit new members by visiting local Blue Lodges and highlighting our Fraternity and our Philanthropy.

As we all know, our Shrine building is aging, it is now going on twenty-two years old, and it is showing. In the past few years, the front parking lot has been refurbished and several heating and air conditioning units have been replaced and upgraded to meet our needs (still more to be replaced). As we conduct our weekly maintenance inspections, we are now noticing the little/minor repairs staring us in

the face. Therefore, we will engage in a more aggressive maintenance program to keep the building in tip-top working order and looking beautiful.

Without a doubt, the entire 2025 Divan will continue to promote our Philanthropy in support of our Philadelphia Hospital. As we travel throughout our region to promote membership, we will encourage all Shrine Units and Clubs along with our Collateral Bodies to aid in our cause in any way they can.

Susan and I are so looking forward to a wonderful year full of fun and friendship with ALL Nobles, their Ladies, and all associated with our Masonic Family. Thanks again for the opportunity to serve in such a prestigious position.

Fraternally Yours,

Karl F. Ballwanz III Illustrious Potentate Elect

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From the Desk of the Recorder-Elect

Hi Nobles! What a wonderful Hospital Night we had on November 1. Paige, Ethan, and Renee (Paige's mom) did an outstanding job of

bringing us their stories of the difference Shriners Children's have made in their lives. With a crowd of over 200 people, Nobles, family, and friends it was a great night. We thank Imperial Sir Mark Hartz for being MC and doing an outstanding job of letting everyone know all that Shriners Children's Healthcare Network does. Our November Ceremonial and Arch Degree brought out a lot of new Nobles and their families to witness the Ceremonial and the Arch Degree and have a wonderful lunch with us. We hope to see these new Nobles active in our many Units and Clubs as we move into the 2025 year.

Our Elections meeting was December 6 in the lower level of the Temple. Our second FEZtival of Trees event was upstairs in the main ballroom December 5-8. On December 7 and 8 we paraded in the White Marsh Parade and Hampden Mayor's Parade. I believe the Hampden Parade is the largest parade we participate in during the year, it's a time for us to strut our

stuff and show the community how proud we are to be Shrine Masons.

Raoul L. Frevel Sr., P.P., P.I.P.

January 4 was our Installation of Officers. January 11 will be the Leadership Seminar; it'll be a brunch starting at 10 am and should be over by 1:30 pm. It is important that you have representation from your Units and Clubs. If you are interested, we just need to know how many are coming so that we can get the word out on the 2025-year rules and regulations that need to be followed as we move into this new year. January 19 will be the trip presentation. We will be talking about the convention in Atlanta, the convention in Virginia Beach, and the Potentate's trip which will be in October. It will be a cruise out of Baltimore to New England and Canada, again, if you are interested that'll be on Saturday afternoon January 19.

We look forward to seeing you at Boumi Shrine soon.

Fraternally, Joe Shriner

Chaplain's Corner

Many thanks to all who attended our Memorial Service for our departed Nobles. A great deal of effort helped to make the service a success. From the ladies in the office, letters and bulletins, the organist Mr. John Cupp, our last-minute replacement for Wayne Penley on bagpipes Brother Scott Cameron, and our taps player Noble Einar Skretting. Of course, refreshments from our Boumi Ladies were excellent as always.

This year was well attended compared to previous years, and yet Nobles is it so hard to come out to pay our respects for our deceased brothers. Even our lodges are having problems getting Brothers to memorial services. But our service is scheduled a year in advance.

As the holiday season concludes, I hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving. We have so much in our fraternity to be thankful for. - Chaplain-Select Walter F. Burgess

It is with a grateful heart that I thank Illustrious Sir Thomas Napper for the honor of serving him and our nobility. For those who may not know Tom and I are lodge brothers and Past Masters of Oriental Lodge No. 158. Looking forward to continuing to serve you under our New Potentate. Again, if I can be of spiritual assistance feel free to contact me.

And January Installations are open to all Brothers and a great time to see our new Grand Master and his line. Many congratulations and best wishes to Grand Master Randall L. Watson. I will be praying for the success of our Great Fraternity and those chosen to lead. In peace, with best wishes for the coming year.

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My goodness, here we are at the chilly Lake Hot Sands. Where the sand is always warm, the grass is always green, and the water is always blue, and I am in full winter garb.

"Hey Tommy Turtle, how are you and Trudy Turtle doing in

this cold weather?"

"Wayne, we are just fine here in winter shells. This weather is just fine for us."

"Tommy Turtle, did Gary Gander and Gurtie Goose go south for the winter?"

"Yes Wayne, they did. Gurtie Goose did say she would text us from time to time just to stay in touch."

"That's good to know, thanks Tommy. Well Tommy and Trudy Turtle, we are off to a good start for the New Year, but first let's congratulate our new Illustrious Potentate Karl Ballwanz and his Divan on their election and appointments for our new Shrine year. He is kicking off the year on Saturday, January 11th at 10 am with our annual Leadership Seminar, all Unit heads and Club Presidents this is a must. Tommy, do you and Trudy Turtle like to travel?"

"Not really Wayne, we don't move too fast, but Gary and Gurtie do."

"Well, on Sunday, January 19th Illustrious Sir Karl Ballwanz is having his Trip Presentations at 1 pm for this year, so we need to be there to get all the information for this coming year's trips. Need to make plans you know."

"Wayne, Tommy and I have heard something about no more Unit Heads meetings, is this true?"

"Yes, it is Trudy Turtle. It is now called Membership Information Meetings. The Colonel of the Units will still run the meeting, but members' clubs and ladies' clubs are welcome to attend, along with the Units. This way everyone will get to know what is happening here at Boumi."

"So, Wayne, this means I can attend?"

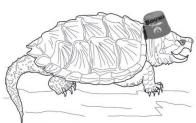
"Yes Trudy Turtle, you most certainly can. The first

meeting is Tuesday, February 4th at 6:30 pm and there should be refreshments. Speaking of refreshments, the first regular Boumi Business meeting for the year is Friday, February 7th and yes there is a good feed bag after the meeting. So, all you new Shriners it's coat and tie with fez. It's very informative and good fellowship after the meeting. Tuesday, March 4th is our second Membership Information Meeting of the year, so Tommy, you and Trudy Turtle are very welcome. Hey Tommy, what do you have planned for Valentine's Day? Anything? Because the day after Boumi is having a Valetine's Event on Saturday, February 15th at the Grandstand Grill in the evening out at the Timonium Fair Ground. Tommy, you and Trudy Turtle be sure to check and read all the flyers in this Magazine for times and dates."

Well, that's about it for now. So, from all of us here at Lake Hot Sands, stay warm. Because here the sand is always warm, the grass is always green, and the water is always blue. Can't wait for spring.

Wayne Snyder







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Knights of Mecca

President-Elect David R. Sandy

As I write this article for the Boumi Temple News, we close in on the last few weeks of 2024. This time of year reminds us of the traditions we associate with the Masons and Shriners. The memories of Boumi Christmas parties and Masonic Family celebrations and of course one of the most awaited events of all year, the New Year's Eve Party. My wife has shared many fond memories of her father, a dedicated Shriner and member of the Divan of Crescent Temple in New Jersey, and her mother getting all dressed up on New Year's Eve and going out to celebrate at the Temple. One of the memories many of us can still enjoy is seeing the Temple decorated during the holidays with the Christmas trees lit up outside the ballroom along with the miniature nativity display.

2024 was a good year for not only the Boumi Shrine but for the Knights of Mecca as well. The Knights visited more than a half dozen lodges and conferred the Master Mason Degree on many Brothers in the State of Maryland impressing on them the importance of being a Mason and the value of becoming a Shriner. Though the Club's first mission is to work and offer our help as a full Degree Team assuming all the ritualistic duties of the degree conferral, members also worked at times in smaller groups or as individuals helping lodges where the need may have been for just a few parts.

The Knights did more than the Blue Lodge Degree work to serve the Boumi Shrine this past year. They assisted in conferring the Ceremonial to new Shrine members in both the Spring and Fall Classes. Knights also assisted and supported the Arch Presentation to help clarify the commitment and building of relationships amongst all parts of the Masonic Family. Addi-

Gun Club (Clay Busters)

—President-Elect Benjamin E. Ludwig

Hello everyone, hope all is well with you. The holidays are coming up and those of us at the Boumi Shriners Gun Club would like to wish everyone a Happy Holiday Season.

I would like to congratulate the new officers of the Boumi Shriners Gun Club. The gun club is in good hands for 2025.

Please come out and Enjoy some fun and fellowship on the 2nd Saturday of the month. We begin the meeting at 9:00am at Loch Raven Skeet and Trap Center on Dulaney Valley Rd. Friends and ladies are welcome to attend.

tionally, this year the Knights of Mecca sponsored and created a tree as part of the FEZtival of Trees, called "A Very Merry Winner". We are proud to have supported this wonderful and noble cause.

We would like to thank our Illustrious Potentate, Brother Tom Napper, for his help and support and for leading the Nobles through a successful year. Many thanks to the members of his Divan and to all the Nobles for their commitment and time in making so many parts of the Boumi Shrine happen.

I want to thank all the members of the Knights of Mecca for their commitment in executing our mission, making Master Masons and inspiring them with the knowledge of the Shrine. These Brothers give up many evenings to travel distances to lodges in Maryland due in part to their love of the Craft and the meaning of its ritual.

I would like to stress again to any Shriner who is a Past Master of his Blue Lodge and has an interest in staying active with Masonic ritual to consider becoming a member of the Knights of Mecca. It gives one the opportunity to remain proficient in Masonic ritual. Also, please remind your Blue Lodges that the Knights of Mecca are available to confer the Master Mason Degree and assist the lodges. We are an important arm of the Shrine's efforts to promote our cause and bring greater fellowship and meaning to our lives. Please have them reach out to us. They may contact me at rwreynolds4@gmail.com.

We wish everyone good will and health in this New Year.

Bob Reynolds 2024 President



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Bou-Tem-Sci

President Lois "Missy" Foster

Greetings and a Very Happy New Year to One and All. I recently heard someone ask, what is Bou-Tem-Sci and what do they do? So instead of a message from Missy I am going to give you a little information about

Bou-Tem-Sci was founded in 1939, and the name was taken from the first letters of Boumi Temple and Scimeter Club but understood that there was to be no connection implied between either of those associations. Our club meets on the third Monday of each month at 11:00 am in the Scimeter Club Room at Boumi. At that time, we have our meeting, lunch and a time of fellowship and a friendly get together.

Our purpose is to raise funds for the Shrine Hospital in Philadelphia. To date our club in recent years has raised a quarter of a million dollars for the hospital and recently donated a check for \$10,000. We are so very proud of our club and the ladies that support our endeavors and would be absolutely delighted to have

you join us in our work for the children in the Shrine Hospital. You may contact me for additional information at 443-318-4395.



Boumi Ladies (Widows)

- President Mary Collins

We hope everyone in the Boumi Ladies and their families, and the families of Boumi Shrine had a wonderful Christmas season. November was a busy and enjoyable month for the Boumi Ladies. On Friday, November 1st some of our members attended Boumi Shrine's Hospital Night. The speakers were very interesting and informative about how the Shriners Hospitals impacted their lives. The Memorial Service was Sunday, November 10th. We provided the refreshments of sandwiches, desserts, and other goodies. It was a lovely service as Boumi honored their Shriners who passed during the year.

The service was well attended. On Veteran's Day, we attended the Boumi Brunch honoring our Military Veterans and Active-Duty Members. It was wonderful to see many of the Shriners attend the event, even some wearing their uniforms. The speaker was very interesting as he spoke about his military career. On Wednesday, November 20th we "decked the halls" of Boumi for Christmas with beautiful trees and lovely,

cheerful decorations. Every place you looked you could see the work of Santa's elves.

In January we took down and packed up the decorations for another year. When Boumi puts out a call for help the Boumi Ladies always answer. All of the Boumi Ladies offer their congratulations to Illustrious Sir Thomas C. Napper and his Divan for a successful year. We look forward to the New Year with the incoming Potentate-Elect Karl F. Ballwanz III and his Divan. Mary expresses a big thank you and much appreciation for all the help and cooperation she received from the ladies this past year.

We meet on the fourth Monday for a short meeting, a delicious lunch, and then to play bingo. It is a lovely and fun afternoon spending time with your friends. May the New Year be a prosperous one filled with blessings, health, happiness, and all good things to come your way. God Bless. Love, Happiness, Blessings.

Linda Barnes

Save the Date!

January 19, 2025

Trips Presentation Luncheon & Meeting

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Maryland Masonic Youth





DelMar Job's Daughters

We would like to thank Ill. Sir Tom Napper for remembering the youth during his term and starting the Masonic Youth Murder Mystery Party. It was massively successful from a Masonic Youth perspective. We would also like to congratulate Potentate-Elect Karl Ballwanz and thank him for continuing to support the youth. As a DeMolay alumnus, he knows first-hand the good the Masonic Youth Groups can do for young people. We thank you for bringing back the Murder

Mystery Party and including us in your plans for 2025!

For DelMar Jobies, November through January brings fresh faces of all kinds. During the Boumi Ceremonial on November 23, the Grand Bethel had their Installation on Boumi's lower level. Brianna T. was installed as Grand Bethel Honored Queen until May. On December 7 at the Scottish Rite in Baltimore we held our annual Pageant. This year the new Misses are Lily T. (Willa's sister!) as Miss Junior Jobie, Trinity R. as Miss Congeniality, and Kylee P. as the Miss Job's Daughter of DelMar. In addition to new Jurisdictional Level Representatives, each bethel

installs their new officers in January.

Unfortunately, the end of the year was painful for DelMar Job's Daughters this year too. On December 4 the bethel in Georgetown, Delaware closed. During their last meeting 2 Daughters received their Majority (Aging-out) Ceremony. This puts DelMar down to 8 Bethels (Dover, Newark, Glen Burnie, Bel Air, Towson, Hollywood, Port Deposit, & La Plata). With this heartbreaking development, we need help more than ever. This moment, and the visit from the Supreme Guardian in December, both shine a blindingly bright light on the problem of membership. As we mentioned over the summer, this is not a new problem for any of our organizations, but if we don't work together to try and solve it, we will all eventually disappear.

Miss Job's Daughter Kylee Prouty

If you have a daughter or granddaughter, niece, cousin, or close friend or neighbor who has a daughter that

is between the ages of 7 and 19 reach out to them and to your local Bethel and see if you can attend one of the fun activities that Bethel has coming up. Looking ahead on the DelMar JDI calendar are Bethel Open Installations, Monster Minigolf on January 18 (RSVP to delmargbhq@ gmail.com), the



Murder Mystery Party on February 8 (RSVP to office@boumishriners.org), Mother Mick Tea & a Bingo in March, and a Trip to the National Zoo in DC on April 19 (RSVP to delmargbhq@gmail.com) to name a few. If you don't have a daughter or girl to sponsor (our membership is no longer based on a direct relationship with a Mason), come to a bethel event and see if you can help as an adult volunteer. We need them, too.

Emily Candler PHQ, PGBHQ, LV



January - February 2025

Zitta Temple No. 27, DoN

Queen Shannon Dunnigan

I hope everyone has been enjoying the change of seasons along with the cooler weather. We are pleased to have welcomed 3 new members already this year with a few more planned for later this winter. We have been busy with various events for fun, fundraising, and making stockings for the Philadelphia Shriner's Hospital. We had around 20 ladies spend a Saturday together cutting, sewing, and stuffing 100 stockings for the children! We look forward to taking these to the hospital on "Donor Day." We also participated in the "Trunk or Treat" at Boumi which had a huge turnout of children and their families. We almost ran out of candy. We have been continuing to spread the word of how great an organization Daughters of the Nile is. Not only helping the Shriners with raising money for hospitals, but also the fun and fellowship we have together.

To those who may be interested in joining and have not yet heard of us. We are an organization of women who meet on the 3rd Tuesday of the month in Fellow-

Bound Shriners'

Murder Mystery
Party & Dance
February 8, 2025
7-10 pm

Calling all Jobie, DeMolay, &
Rainbow Youth Members! Boumi
is having another party just
for you!

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bethels, & assemblies!

RSVP to the Boumi Office by

Jan. 31 at 410-391-6400

ship Hall with the exception of summer months. We do have a ritualistic part to our meetings, however that is not all we do. We plan and host several activities from just fun get togethers to fundraising activities to help benefit the several Shriner's hospitals. So far this year we have traveled to Boise, Idaho for our Supreme Session, gone axe throwing, and built our own Terrarium as well as many others.

If you know anyone who may be interested in our organization and/or who is looking to be part of a larger organization that helps do good for others, please let one of us and them know! Our ladies tend to be very active with different groups related to Boumi Shrine and belong to other organizations within the Masonic family as well.

We are currently working towards getting everything ready for our Annual Shrimp Feast that is to be held 2/23/25. Due to unforeseen circumstances there has been a delay in the official invitation but please save the date! Our theme for this year will be "March Madness" and we plan to have some different activities this year than from previous years. Please be on the lookout for more information! The proceeds of the Silent and Live auction go to Shriners Children's with the remaining proceeds serving as our big fundraiser for the year. We hope to see you all there!

We look forward to attending the many activities throughout the year with you all and continuing to raise/donate money to the Shriner's hospitals. Please stay a safe and enjoy spending time with family and friends this holiday season. I look forward to seeing everyone soon!





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Scimeter Club

-President-Elect David A. Jacoby

Greetings from the Scimeter Club. We held elections in October and our officers for the upcoming year are as follows: President-Jake Jacoby, Vice President-Raoul Frevel Sr., Secretary- Ernie Carter, P.P. and Treasurer- Walter Burgess. Congratulations to all and may the Scimeter Club have a great year. We are looking for a few good Nobles to join the Scimeter Club so if you would like to know more about us visit us at our next meeting which will be 9 January 2025 at 11:30 am. We will be discussing our plans for our upcoming Stag outing at the Eastern Yacht club for the month of June.

Also remember, you don't have to wait for someone to ask you about the Shrine so if you know a Mason that is not a Shriner talk to them and see if you can't bring them to the Temple and if you know someone that isn't a Mason and you believe them to be a good candidate talk to them and get them a petition.

Thank you for all you do.

Save the Date! March 2, 2025



Illustrious Sir Thomas Napper's Testimonial

Save the Date!

March 9, 2025





Motorized Units
Bull & Oyster Roast

Legion of Honor

-Commander-Elect Peter F. Phillips

As I prepare this article, we are about to celebrate Thanksgiving, Christmas and the New Year. Hopefully, it will bring back some peace and Happiness for all and good health with your friends and family. By the time you read this, we will be in the New Year for the Shrine and all our Units and Clubs. The Legion wishes for all to have a great year, much fun and the completion of any and all projects and programs you plan. As for the Legion, I know that as we move forward, the Unit under the new Leadership will, as it has in the past, work both for the good of the Unit as well as the Shrine Center. So, lets everyone come out and begin to look at the future of our Center and that of the Shriners System as a whole.

To let everyone know, the Legion's Officers for 2025 will be: Commander Peter F. Phillips, Executive Officer Dennis W. Leland, Lieutenant Stephen C. Knapp, Lieutenant Barry G. Bunker, Adjutant James L. Davis, and Finance Officer James G. Cullison. We look forward to having an excellent year and some new ideas.

There are many former and present members of the military in our Shrine Center who are eligible for our organization. Why not stop by one of our meetings and talk to us. Our objectives are to have fun and to support Boumi whenever we can by participating in the functions and parades. So come on out and be with us. See how you can make us a better organization. We meet on the following date: Jan. 18th. We're looking forward to seeing you then. Our meetings start at 12:00 noon and meet in our Unit Room on the Ground Floor of the Shrine Center.

Thank you to everyone for a good year. May this New Year be a great year, a healthy year, and a Blessed year. And may we continue to take care to be safe for ourselves as well as our Brothers and families.

Jim Davis, P.P.

Golf Club

-President-Select Joseph D. Nason

Boumi Duffers, we will have a meeting at the Temple in March 2025 to develop a golf schedule for the Boumi Shriners Golf Club. The date and time to be announced in February. Please contact me to up-date or add your email and telephone numbers for notices.

Anyone can join and play with our club. Membership dues will remain \$10 for 2025 so save your pennies (remember those?). See you on the links!!!

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Ambassadors

Fraternal greetings from the Boumi Ambassadors. I am honored to have been selected as the Chief Ambassador for 2025. I look forward to working with the Potentate to grow the membership of our Shrine. We have some great events planned for the upcoming year and look forward to making the Boumi Ambassadors one of the most active groups at the temple. There are a few questions we need to ask before the year officially begins.

What are the Boumi Ambassadors? We are a group of Nobles that serve to promote Boumi and the charitable endeavors we undertake. We are appointed by the Potentate to help with his projects and support the temple. Although we have many fundraising events to support the temple financially, we also focus on making the temple a welcoming environment for Nobles, family and guests.

Are you an Ambassador? Have you been asked to be an Ambassador in the past and never followed up on the invite? Please reach out to me or one of the other Ambassadors to help you get onboard for the 2025 year and beyond.

What do Boumi Ambassadors do? We are looking for outstanding gentlemen to help us promote the Shrine at your blue lodges and other events. We also host the Ambassador's Crab Feast in August. We are going to continue hosting the 3rd Friday Bingo events

Model RailRoad Club

- President-Elect John Schoene III

Here's hoping that all the Nobles and their families had a safe and healthy holiday. A new year has started along with a new Potentate of Boumi, we wish him Congratulations.

The Railroad Club was busy in 2024 getting the trains ready for the FEZtival of Trees and the Children's Christmas Party in December. All the trains were running during the events, and we had tables set up with railroad items for sale.

We would like to thank Bro. Henry Chaudron for his donation of the Plexiglas and shelving to the club. We need new members to join and help. You do not need any experience in model railroading, you may be able to help in some other way. For more information, please contact Bro John Schoene 443-756-1883 or Bro Ron Burdynski 443-882-5178. We meet on the 4th Wednesday of the month at 1pm after the luncheon.

-Chief-Select Wm. Bruce Mulligan

each month. These are very popular and offer an opportunity for us to reach out to non-Shriners and promote our charitable mission as a fraternity. Something new this year will be having the Ambassadors greet the Nobles and guests at all Boumi events.

What can I do to help as an Ambassador? The first thing you can do as an Ambassador and as a Noble is become involved at the temple. Spend a little time at the temple and promote the Boumi Shriners at your blue lodges and at any event you attend. We need to grow our membership and support our fraternity. Come to the temple an hour or so early before the events and greet the Nobles and guests as they arrive; shake hands and be welcoming to our guests and Brothers. Help at our 3rd Friday Bingo events. We always need help on the floor, selling tickets, working in the kitchen, serving the food, clearing the tables and just being friendly to our guests.

In closing I would like to thank everyone in advance that is an Ambassador already and is willing to step up for the good of the fraternity and our charity. If you are interested in becoming an Ambassador and helping to support the temple, please reach out to one of the ambassadors or a member of the Divan for more information. I am looking forward to the upcoming year and growing our temple membership.

Provost Guard

-Commander-Elect Robert W. Childress Jr.

Another year has passed us by and we are looking forward to a prosperous 2025. The Boumi Provost Guard would like to congratulate and welcome our 2025 Illustrious Potentate, Karl F. Ballwanz III. We look forward serving under him and feel sure it will be a great year.

Congratulations also for the 2025 Boumi Provost Guard Officers. 2025 Commander is Robert W Childress Jr., Deputy Commander is Daniel P. Childress, Secretary is Stephen C. Kelley and Treasurer is Kenneth S. Kiessling.

Happy New Year to all Nobles and their Families!

Steve Kelley

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Stewards

-Chief Steward-Select Wm. Bruce Mulligan

From the Frying Pan to the Fire!

Did you ever wonder who those folks are that do the cooking and prep-work for the meals at special events like Bingo, Wednesday Lunch Club, business meeting meals & refreshments, or any number of club & unit events at the Temple. Well, they are a bunch of dedicated ladies and just a few Nobles that want to see many of these long-standing traditional meals continue. We are hanging on by a thread but, we want to keep the tradition alive. If you have ever enjoyed a meal provided by this team, you are a candidate to join us as a Boumi Steward.

Can you make it to Boumi an hour or so before an event to help prepare the food? Can you stay and extra hour or so to cleanup after the meal? Can you set out silverware or napkin holders or salt and pepper shakers? Can you fill pitchers with water, collect recycle cans, fill ice buckets, hand out ice cream sandwiches, serve food from the food line or go to the kitchen to fill the serve line? Can you be at Boumi around 10am to help setup for Wednesday Lunch Club, greet our guests, sell and collect tickets, sell 50/50 tickets, say a prayer or lead the Pledge of Allegiance? If the answer to any of these questions was yes, then we need you to become a Boumi Steward.

No matter what you can do, you are the piece of the

puzzle that we are missing on our team of Boumi Stewards. Please reach out to the Boumi office at (410) 391-6400 or Bruce Mulligan at (301) 919-0866 for more details. Please don't be the reason that this tradition goes away. Be the reason we will continue for years to come.



Clowns

- Director-Elect Daryl M. "Skippy" Gamerman

A New Year is upon us; it is a great time to make some positive changes in our lives. I can't think of a better way than being a more involved Shriner Mason in 2025. What about joining a unit? Did you know that Boumi has many units and clubs desperately looking for members? The Boumi Clowns just added a new clown, Michael Glaser! The Clowns supported the Tall Cedars at their pancake breakfast to spread the word about how fun clowning is. We even walked in the White Marsh Christmas Parade. Fun was had by all, raising awareness for Shriners Children's. We hosted the Boumi Masonic Family Christmas Party, what a joy to see the many smiling faces so happy to get a balloon and sit on Santa's lap.

The Clown Unit invites any Nobles (new or old) looking to become a more involved Shriner to come to our Meeting on Monday, January 13th at 7:30 pm in the Clown Unit Room on the ground floor of The Boumi. Our regular meeting day is the second Monday of every month except September. Some clowns come early and enjoy a nice meal by supporting the fund-raising dinners put on by the Camel Wheels in their unit room at 6:00 pm.

Even if you are very involved with your Blue Lodge or other activities, you can still be a clown. Boy, do we need new members. No experience necessary, and you

don't have to attend meetings. We need help with Parades, a few charity events, and the Boumi Children's Christmas and Easter Parties that we host.

If any units are having family events and would like to have some clowns to entertain the children, please contact the Clown Unit Director: Daryl "Skippy" Gamerman at 410-259-6229 trubluscout1959@aol.com

Looking forward to seeing some new faces at our next meeting Monday January 13th at Boumi Temple, 7:30 pm Lower Level.

Buzzy The Clown











Veteran's Brunch

Our annual Veteran's Day Celebration was once again a huge success. Not only did we have a great program and speaker, but we also had the privilege of honoring two veterans from the Maryland National Guard. Our event started with the pledge of allegiance and a prayer followed by a delicious brunch for all in attendance. Speaking of attendance, we had ninety-five Nobles, guests and family members, as well as numerous Veterans from all branches of service.

The program started off with a fifteen-minute video by Admiral William McRaven speaking at the 2014

- 2024 Chairman Karl F. Ballwanz III rsity of Texas at Austin, fol-

graduation of the University of Texas at Austin, followed by our guest speaker, Dr. Willim Everett. Both the video and the speech were heartwarming and well received by all in attendance. Sgt. David Ginsburg and CW5 James Bonner received awards for their many years of dedicated service to the Maryland Army National Guard and the United States Army. If you were unable to attend, you might want to search the web for Admiral McRaven's speech and watch and listen to his message, a true lesson for everyone. If not, just start the day by making your bed.





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26	27	28	29	30	31	
	Concordia Lodge Boumi Ladies	King David's Lodge Rehearsal Hillbillies Brass Band	SJP DeMolay		Ocean City S.C.	

Boumi Shriners will be hosting their 5th Haunted House this Halloween Season! October 3-5, 10-12, 17-19 & 24-26, 2025

Do you want to be a part of this fun experience? Let the Committee know!

Mail or hand deliver this to the Haunted House Committee c/o Boumi Office or email hauntedhouse@boumishriners.org and they will get back to you!

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Mar 7 - Business Meeting

Mar 9 - Motorized Unit Bull Roast Mar 13 - Bingo

Mar 14 - OCMD Dinner

Mar 15 - St. Patrick's Parade

Mar 29 - Zitta Temple Installation

Apr 1 - Membership Info Meeting

Apr 4 - Business Meeting

Apr 5 - Children's Easter Party

Apr 6 - Ladies Luncheon

Apr 10 - Bingo

Apr 18 - Office Closed

May 3 - Potentate's Ball

May 5 - Golf Classic

May 9 - 100 Club Luncheon

May 15 - Bingo

May 16 - Business Meeting May 18 - Car Show

May 26 - Office Closed

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Hillbilly Clan No. 67

Warm and fraternal greeting to cuzin's located near and far. What an exciting year we had in 2024, and we are looking forward to an even more exciting year in 2025, if that is possible. Let me start by reporting that we donated a total of \$30,000 to Shriners Children's Philadelphia from the proceeds from the International Hillbilly Convention hosted right here at the Boumi in August. The International Hillbilly Queen raised \$12,000 from traveling around to different events and selling here Awesome Possum towels and pins. We had over 150 visiting Hillbillies and guests and had an awesome time entertaining folks from all over the USA and Canada. Next year the event moves to Anaheim, California. Look for more information to follow. We signed up 7 new Hillbilly Guys from Houston, Texas and are helping them to establish a clan down in Texas. We are all looking forward to hearing more about their adventures and how they are helping to support their local Shriners Children's location.

Now that sure is growth for a club that has had its ups and downs in the past. We will continue to host - Rabban of the Clan-Elect Wm. Bruce Mulligan

several Mexican Train Dominoes events throughout the year (even though attendance is down a bit). On the agenda for 2025, we have a few trips planned to include Hillbilly Days in Pikeville, Kentucky, the International Hillbilly Convention in California, St. Patrick's Day in Atlanta, Georgia, and we hope to attend a couple other hillbilly events hosted by our new friends from this year.

Let me tell you what we have planned for the upcoming year.

Parades- check, Business Meetings-check, Initiations- check, visiting other Hillbilly Clans- Check, Mexican Train Dominoes- check and many more of the usual events and activities we did last year. But here is the exciting news:

In closing, this is an open invitation to come on out and support your Hillbilly Cuzin's, have some fun, make a difference, dress like a Hillbilly and support our Shriners Children's! By the way, if you are not a Hillbilly yet, I know this guy who always has a petition or two.



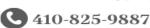
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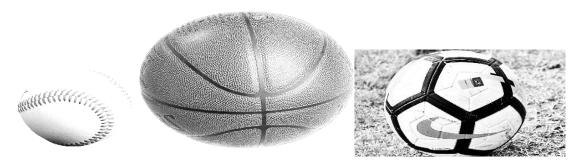
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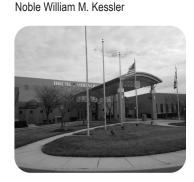
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Imperial Travels



2017 Potentate and Imperial High Priest & Prophet Mark E. Hartz

Let me start off my congratulating Illustrious Sir Tom Napper, P.P. and Lady Victoria on their service to the nobility of Boumi Shriners. Their service has been exemplary, and they have made incredible sacrifices for the successful year at Boumi we have all enjoyed. I wish that his continued recovery from his broken ankle is speedy. I also wish Illustrious Sir Karl and Lady Susan great success on the year ahead.



Imperial High Priest & Prophet Mark E. Hartz, P.P.

Since being elevated to Imperial High Priest & Prophet at the Imperial Session in July, Lady Kathy and I have been honored to have participated in several Shrine fraternal and Shriners Children's events. At the Imperial Session in Reno, we presented to the floor the motion to host the 2028 Imperial Session in Pittsburg, PA. While we are disappointed we cannot bring the shrine world back to Baltimore, because the convention center is not available, we are keeping it nearby. Our next step is putting our team together to host the Imperial Session, there are plenty of jobs to be done on the Imperial Convention Corporation's many committees. If you are interested in helping to make Imperial Session 2028 a huge Boumi success, let me know.

We kicked off the new imperial year with trips in support of our incredible masonic youth groups. We then had the great opportunity to participate in the Mid-Atlantic (MASA) and Northeast Shrine Association (NSA) sessions. Everywhere we go we have the pleasure of carrying the Boumi name and the chance to share with all Shrinedom what a great temple we belong to. We are constantly hearing the great stories about the nobility of Boumi and what great people they are, something we are already aware of.

As we transitioned into fall our schedule picked up with numerous Shriners Hospitals meetings and events. In early October I served as the Vice-Chairman of the 2024 (and last) Shriners Children's Open, the PGA golf tournament at TPC Summerlin in Las Vegas. I indicate this was the last event as it was the



final year of the contract for SHC to sponsor the event and the SHC board of directors has chosen not to renew the contract with the PGA tour. Another great sporting event we participated in was the annual Oyster Bowl at Old Dominion University (ODU). Each year the nobility of Khedive Shriners in conjunction with the ODU host an incredible tailgate party and a portion of the games ticket sales goes to Shriners Hospitals for Children. This year the Heard from Marshall University squeaked past ODU for the win.

The other priority of effort that has occupied so much of our time is the development and rollout of SHC's new strategic plan. Built on the Vision 2035, principles of The Best Care, The Right Places, A renewed commitment to research and a more economical system, the new strategic plan will be transformational for Shriners Hospitals for Children.

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Atlanta is also home to the National Center for Civil and Human Rights, a museum dedicated to the achievements of the civil rights movement. It's located across Centennial Park from the World of Coca-Cola Museum and the Georgia Aquarium.

Centennial Park is right across the street from Centennial Olympic Park, the park constructed for the 1996 Summer Games.

Two other sites with historic significance just a short distance from downtown are the Atlanta History Center, in the Buckhead neighborhood, which features the historic Swan House, used as a location for *The Hunger Games: Catching Fire* movie, and the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum.

For those less interested in history there are the Atlanta Botanical Garden, with its unique flora, fauna and topiary, and The Varsity, billed at the "world's largest drive-in." They say no trip to Atlanta is complete without a Varsity chili dog, an order of onion rings and a Frosted Orange!

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