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WE HAD "FUN IN TWENTY-ONE"!

by IS Ray Singmaster

Time flies when you're having fun. Seems a brief time ago I was writing my Potentate's message to start the year; now here I am writing my last article as Potentate for 2021. As the year comes full circle and I take time to reflect, I say WOW! What an amazing organization made up of amazing people, and amazing principles. Thanks to Al Kaly Elected, and Appointed Divan, Ladies, Special



Appointments, Past Potentates Volunteers and Supporters. We all have contributed to a fun and successful 2021. The upcoming elections at the December Stated Meeting will set the slate of officers for 2022 and the process continues. First Lady, LorAnn and I will do our best continuing to support Al Kaly and Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Al Kaly Dust Editor, Nicola Natale, continues doing an

outstanding job of managing, editing, and publishing the Dust. I know we all look forward to each upcoming edition. I also want to commend the Al Kaly Recorder -Illustrious Sir Gary Sears, Al Kaly Treasurer – Illustrious Sir Dave



Stevens and the Office Administrator - Noble Mike Apker, for their efficient operation and management of the Al Kaly office. This truly is a team effort. Each and every Past Potentate, Noble, and their Ladies and families contribute to the success of the organization and our mission. "The whole is greater than the sum of its parts." (Aristotle). What we do as Shriners personifies this. I am proud to be a part of it.

The Annual Potentates Ball and "Monte Carlo Night" held Oct 23, was fantastic and an elegant event. We were all high rollers with all the fun and none of the risk! We want to thank everyone who attended and made a special night for First Lady



LorAnn and me. Music by the Coopersonics was outstanding and provided wonderful background listening and dancing. Their Father, Noble John Cooper, would have been proud. It's nice to have Shrine connections whenever we can.

Over the course of the year many have experienced the passing and illness of loved ones, let's remember them and their families and friends in our thoughts and prayers. They are always missed but fondly remembered in all we do.

Of course, none of this could be possible without all the help and support of the many Shriners, ladies, families, and friends helping out. LorAnn and I wish to extend a heartfelt thanks to everyone who has stepped up throughout the year and made this a wonderful experience. THANK YOU!!

"Fun in Twenty-One"

UPCOMING EVENTS

Due to the current "Stay At Home/Safer At Home" situation with the COVID19 virus, it is imperative you check the online Al Kaly events calendar (on a regular basis) for new event dates and/or cancellations. Website: alkalyshrine.org

DECEMBER

- 11 Honored Ladies OV
- 10 Stated Meeting/Election of Officers
- 18 Children's Christmas Party (CSSC)
- 25 Christmas Day

JANUARY

- 8 Installation
- 9 Legion of Honor (LOH) OV
- 10 El Jebel Stated Meeting / Installation
- 14 Al Kaly Annual Stated Meeting (PSC)
- 14 Al Kaly Shriner (AKS) Ceremonial (PSC)
- 21 MW Grand Lodge of Colorado Grand Lodge

Session

DECEMBER

- 2-5 East West Shrine Bowl Las Vegas
- 5 Daughters of the Nile Hi Tea (CSSC)
- 10 Valentines Party (Mule Train)
- 20 Past Masters OV
- 22 IHOP Day?

All Events Subject To Cancellation Due To Coronavirus Restrictions



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CLOSING OUT ANOTHER YEAR!

by Gary Sears

Recorder

Well, it's that time, again, to tie up those loose ends to end our Al Kaly year, turn the page and start over for 2022. If you have Al Kaly fez strips you will not be using in 2022, please turn them in to the Office, i.e., Potentate's Aide, Ambassador, etc. You may, also, have some other old fez strips you no longer need. If so, we can use them. This is also

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true of name badge ladders. We'll gladly take them all.

Unit/Club secretaries, please turn in parade points and any

other points you may be collecting on your members so we can get them posted and awards presented at the December stated meeting.

Also, Unit/Club treasurers, please remember your unit/club financial report is due after you receive bank statements for December 31, 2021. A spreadsheet is located on the Al Kaly website – makes it easier for you as it is in Excel format and it does the math for you.

There are a number of activities that require reservations. Please make them by the deadlines so we can provide accurate numbers for those preparing food. Your support is greatly appreciated. Donna and I wish all of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy and safe New Year.











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OFFICIAL CALL OF THE POTENTATE

Notice is hereby given that the January 2022 stated meeting will be held at the:

Al Kaly Shriners Stated Meeting Jan 14, 2022 Pueblo Shrine Club, 1501 S. McCulloch at 7:30pm

Social hour before the meeting

Attest:

Ray Singmaster

Gary Sears, P.P

Potentate

Recorder

If social distancing or Covid restrictions are in effect we will conduct a zoom meeting.

OFFICIAL CALL OF THE POTENTATE AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Pueblo Shrine Club, 1501 S. McCulloch December 10, 2021 at 7:30 pm

You will be called upon to elect the following officers: Potentate, Chief Rabban, Assistant Rabban, High Priest and Prophet, Oriental Guide, Treasurer, Recorder and Representatives to the Imperial Council. To gain admission into this meeting, the Shriners International Bylaws require a member must be in possession of and present his current year's membership card.

Shriners International Bylaws Election Regulations:

Shriners International Bylaws, paragraph 325.11, Election Regulations (a) Electioneering. A candidate for an elected office in a Shrine temple may print, publish and circulate during the year he is seeking the elected office, a resume consisting of his educational background, his vocational history, and his Masonic and Shrine record. Except as provided in the prior sentence, the printing, publication, circulating or distribution of resolutions, letters, telegrams, tickets, email or other devices, by a unit, club, Noble, or group of Nobles, suggesting, recommending, opposing, or containing the names of proposed candidates for office in the temple is prohibited. (b) Expenditures Prohibited. The expenditure of money for gifts, favors, or entertainment on behalf of a candidate for elected office is prohibited. (c) Violation. For any violation of (a) or (b), the Imperial Potentate may suspend any offending Noble, and he may declare the election of the officers void and order a new election.

(d) Notice. At least one week prior to the annual meeting or any election, the temple Recorder shall mail to each member a notice thereof containing this section. Aleikum Es Selamu

Attest:

Ray Singmaster *Potentate*

Gary Sears, P.P

ntate Recorder

A PERSONAL NOTE FROM OUR RECORDER

by Gary Sears

Recorder

I would like to thank all the Nobles for your support in 2021, it is very much appreciated. Overall, the office ran very smoothly this year. In large part this is due to our administrative assistant, Noble Mike Apker. He is doing an outstanding job for Al Kaly; his hard work, dedication and knowledge is very much appreciated!

Financially, office expenses are in control, and we were able to get a \$13,000 EIDL Grant for Covid relief! This is a grant and does not need to be repaid! The cash picnic raffle and other fund raisers were very successful and again I thank you for your support!

I was diagnosed with multiple myeloma, a rare form of blood cancer, in November 2020. After treatments and a stem cell transplant the multiple myeloma is in remission, and I feel great now! The transplant destroys the immune system and takes time to recover. I am supposed to keep a low profile for a while until my immune system recovers. So, I have been doing a lot of remote work from home and visiting the office after hours and weekends to complete any work needed, in order to avoid contact with anyone. The doctors have made tremendous progress in treating this disease with many people living ten to twenty years with this illness.

Thanks everyone for your thoughts and prayers! I am looking forward to serving Al Kaly for many more years! I hope to be able to get out soon and attend the events.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

OFFICIAL CALL THE POTENTA

Notice is hereby given for the Installation of Officers for 2022

Al Kaly Shriners Installation of Officers for 2022 will be January 8, 2022 **Pueblo Convention Center 320 Central** Main Street Pueblo, CO

Room 4pm-6pm Social Hour 6pm-7pm; Dinner 7pm

Installation of Officers immediately after dinner

Attest:

Ray Singmaster

Gary Sears, P.P

Potentate

Recorder

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OFFICIAL CAL

Notice is hereby given that the next stated meeting will be held at the:

Stated Meeting & Election of Officers for 2022 Pueblo Shrine Club, 1501 S. McCulloch at 7:30pm, December 10, 2021

Social hour before the meeting

Attest:

Ray Singmaster

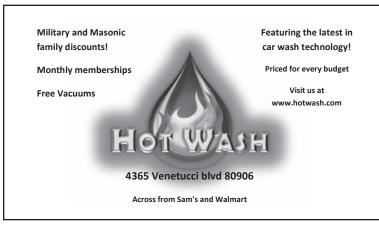
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FEATURED SHRINER DAVE STEVENS

by Billie Nigro

Dave was born and raised in Maine on the beach. His parents, Wallace and Priscilla, are both deceased and he has one brother and two sisters all older; he's the baby!

After graduating from Wells High School in Wells, Maine Dave graduated from the University of Maryland while in Europe with a Bachelors in Business Administration. He graduated from West Coast University with an MBA in Business following up with a Masters in Project Management from Colorado Technical University.

Tuna fishing was his first job during the summer. Other jobs included hotel manager, electronics tester, logistics manager, and project manager.

Dave was drafted and immediately signed with the Air Force – Vietnam War was still going. He went to Chanute AFB in Illinois for Missile Electronics training and was then assigned to beautiful Minot, ND working as a Combat Targeting Team Member on the Minuteman ICBM. This assignment encouraged him to leave the military after 4 years....."Why Not Minot? – Freezing the reason."

After working for Raytheon, he decided that was not for him and rejoined the Air Force.

He and Maddy then decided to stay for the long haul and subsequently they had assignments in Montana, Utah, England, North Dakota (Grand Forks this time) and California. He retired in 1995 and they moved to Colorado Springs.

Dave and Maddy were introduced by mutual friends during his break in service and were married in 1975, which was the following summer. They just hit it off and enjoyed each other's company and compatibility and they both like to travel.. Fortysix years and still going strong! When he went back into the Air Force, Maddy had never lived outside of Massachusetts. That was an adjustment.

They have one fur-baby, Baylee. In addition to travel, Dave enjoys playing golf and activities with the Shrine. His hobby is coin collecting.

Dave grew up in DeMolay, was a state officer and a Past Master Councilor, Chevalier and Legion of Honor. He is the current Advisor to Colorado Springs DeMolay. He joined Acacia Lodge #1 in Grand Forks, ND in 1987. Currently he is a member of Lodge #76 in Colorado Springs.

Therefore, it was a natural progression for Dave to become a Shriner. How he became one is a little different and a funny story. Dave and Maddy both worked for Honeywell (Allied Signal) in Colorado Springs. It was here Maddy mentioned to Bob Burr Dave was always drawn to the mission of the hospitals and the fun and wanted to be a Shriner. Needless to



say, he met Bob and in 15 minutes or less, Bob had a petition in hand for him!

When he joined the Shrine, it was still a requirement to be a 32nd degree Mason, so in 1996 he joined Southern Colorado Consistory one weekend and became a Shriner the next. Dave is a Legacy Shriner as his father was a Noble with Kora Shriners.

He immediately joined the Corvettes unit because of the go-carts. His father was in the Renegade unit (Jeep go-carts) of Kora Shriners. In 2007 Dave was the Al Kaly Potentate, Central States President in 2009, and in 2019 became Al Kaly Treasurer.

He has been in all 50 states at one time or another, some short term and others for a longer time. His work and the Air Force took him many places, such as Greenland, Seychelles, Guam, and England.

A HEARTY AL KALY

HAPPYBURTHDAY

December

Eugene R
Canady Jr.
Terry Nothaft
Daniel E Coburn
Rand L Redfern
Kennard D Henry
Lee J Greenwood
Maurice E Heikes
Gary W Wheeler
Charles B Hamby Jr.
Dennis A Bright
Kent E Eckley
Jeffrey T Stevens
Carl G Hagans

Congratulations to the following nobles that will be celebrating birthdays during December

Samuel J Pisciotta P.P.
Ralph M Beuc
Kenneth L Jones
William R Ferrier
Howard W Magan
Kenneth E Grayson
Nathaniel K Seeley
John R McConnell P.G.M.
Douglas W Gabel
James G Johnson
Henry H Taylor
Paul L Crawford

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Thadeus Steele
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In Memoriam

As of: October 12, 2021

"Do not stand at my grave and weep, I am not there, I do not sleep. I am in a thousand winds that blow, I am the softly falling snow. I am the gentle showers of rain, I am the fields of ripening grain. I am in the morning hush, I am in the graceful rush. Of beautiful birds in circling flight, I am the starshine of the night. I am in the flowers that bloom, I am in a quiet room. I am in the birds that sing, I am in each lovely thing. Do not stand at my grave and cry, I am not there. I do not die. Mary Elizabeth Frye

Noble Konrad C. Kleeberg

| Born | July 3,1937 |
|---------|---------------|
| Created | May 24, 1969 |
| Died | July 30, 2021 |

Noble Larry P. Anderson

| Born | January 19, 1945 |
|---------|-------------------|
| Created | June 16, 1973 |
| Died | September 3, 2021 |

Ill Sir Robert D. Mouirguies

| Born | August 6, 1930 |
|---------|-----------------|
| Created | June 14, 1980 |
| Died | October 2, 2021 |

Herbert Hunt

| Born | January 2, 1928 |
|---------|------------------|
| Created | June 13, 1980 |
| Died | October 14, 2021 |

Noble James Lewis Nunn Sr.

| March 21, 1932 |
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| May 24, 1963 |
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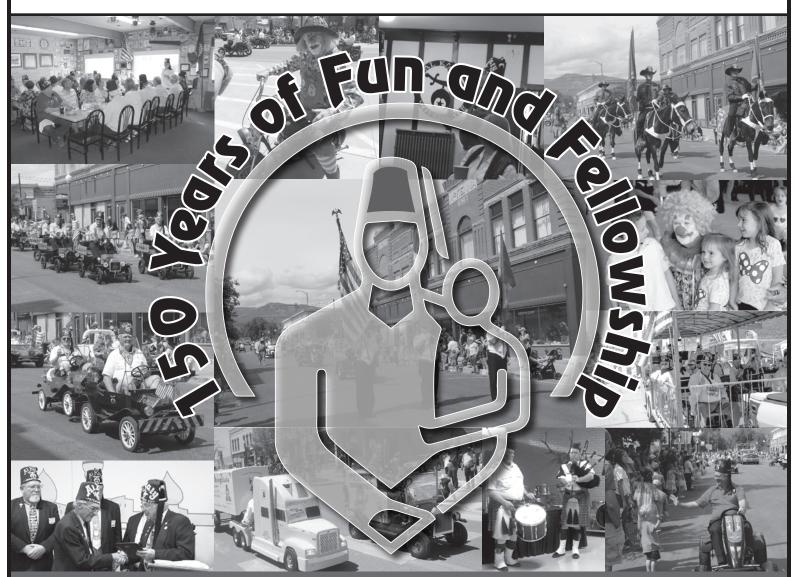
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