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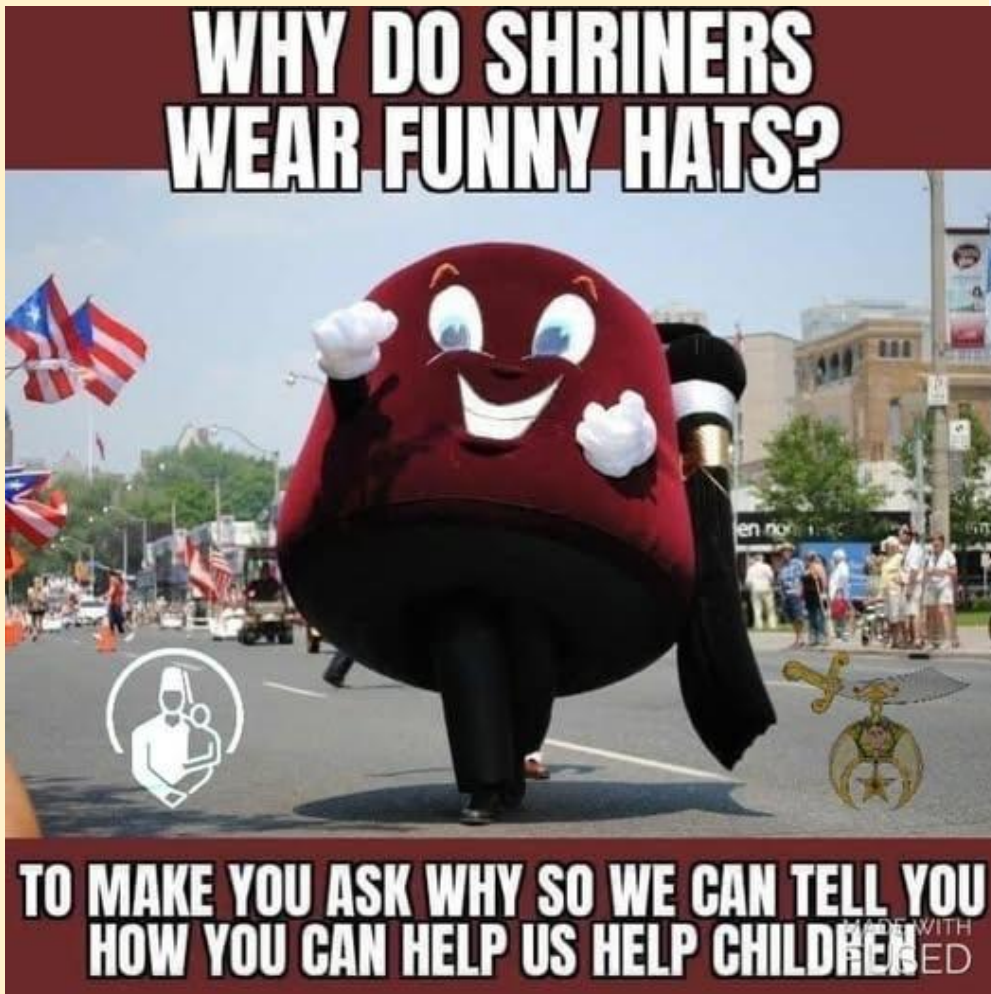
What's New

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What's coming Up?

Sick Call
Black Camel



Potentate Word

Ladies and fellow Nobles

As we are going into the third month of the New Year. Our first divan meeting held on February 10, 2025 which was a partial Zoom meeting and some of the divan live in the office went very well. We are making progress toward making this year a great year adding the ability to use Zoom meetings if needed being run by the shrine center. Our first fundraiser is going into its third month and we have already sold enough pens to start making a prophet. We are also selling Shriner's ties. These items will be available at the spring ceremonial. There will be an order form available in the next Turban Times to buy both Items. Our second MT Sinai #3 Vermont talent variety show committee will be meeting on March 15, 2025, as a zoom meeting. To continue putting this event together. As a reminder our Spring Ceremonial will be on April 19, 2025, at St Albans lodge starting at 9:30AM. I will giving the NESAs association mid-winter meeting report at this meeting. We will be starting our next fundraiser to sell Red Sox tickets and I will be handing them out at the in person divan meeting on April 7, 2025, starting at 6:30 PM.

Thank you

Illus. Donald J Karlovich Mt. Sinai #3



Why we do what we do 100 Years of Being Unstoppable

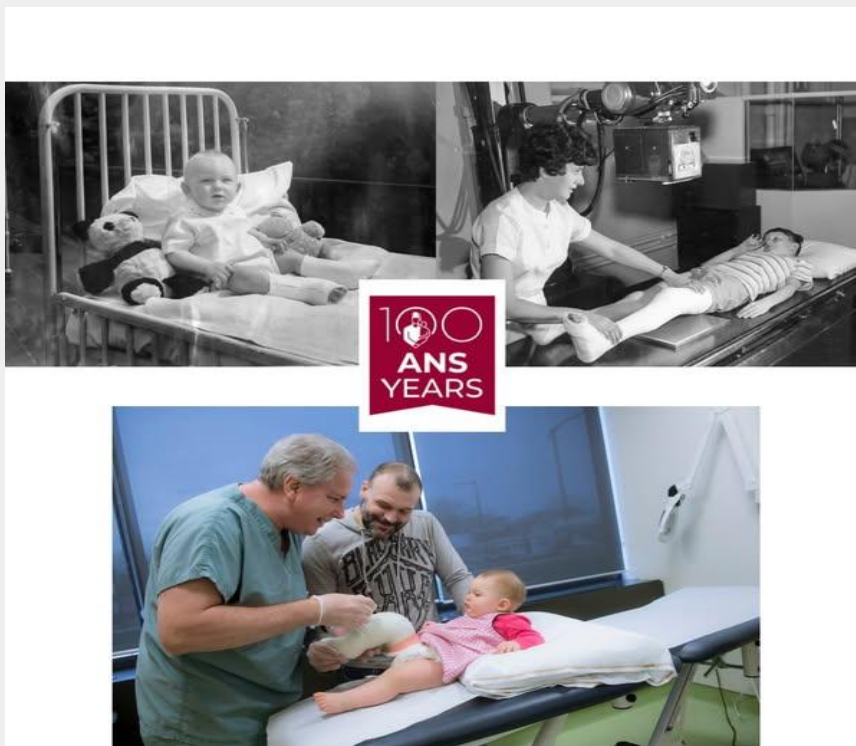
100 YEARS

Shriners Children of Canada

Did you know that one of our first major inventions is still changing lives today?

From 1925 to 1950, our hospital expanded its expertise, offering care for patients with tuberculosis, polio, arthritis, and clubfoot. In 1950, Dr. J. Gordon Petrie — Chief of Staff (1946-1968) — developed the Petrie Cast, a groundbreaking treatment for Legg-Calvé-Perthes disease, still used in 2025.

These days, our devoted team sees over 150 patients per month either for cast application, cast modification, cast removal or complex wound care (VAC Therapy). 100 years of expertise, innovation, and healing — because every step forward counts!



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100 YEARS

Shriners Children of New England

Last week, our halls were filled with joy as we welcomed Islay the dog and her human, Bill, to Shriners Children's New England! With Child Life Specialist Kylie leading the way, our little ones and staff enjoyed some heartwarming pet therapy. Who doesn't love a furry friend?



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Shriners Children Boston

Meet Leufry! After sustaining severe burns as child, he is grateful for the hope and healing Shriners Children's Boston provided. After each surgery and treatment, he grew stronger, showing incredible courage along the way.



Read Leufry's story:

<https://www.shrinerschildrens.org/en/news-and-media/patient-stories/2025/02/leufry-burn-care>

Hospital News

Anna - Shriners Children Shreveport



Anna is using her scoliosis journey to inspire others. Diagnosed at just 10 years old, she began treatment at Shriners Children's Shreveport and underwent spinal fusion surgery at 14. With two rods and 20 screws in her spine, she fought her way back to doing what she loves, including cheerleading, dancing, and even competing in pageants.

Now 20, Anna is thriving and continues to look for ways to give back. She recently organized a walk that raised money for back braces and brought awareness to scoliosis. Anna also shares her story and promotes Shriners Children's onstage in her pageant circuit.

Read more about Anna's scoliosis story here:

<https://www.shrinerschildrens.org/.../02/anna-scoliosis-care>

Chief Rabban Message

Greeting Nobles and Ladies,

Hoping the year is going ok for all so far. We are well on our way in planning Fundraisers for the Temple. We are always looking for additional ideas and input. This month Dave White, Lady Angie and I have started to plan this years Walk-A-Thon. We are excited to bring this back bigger and better. We are planning another meeting in March and will send out the invitation when the date is set. Please feel to reach out to me if you have any suggestions or questions!

Fraternally Yours,

Gary B. Luman

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Hospital Board News

Greetings from Shriners Children's Boston,

I have survived my second meeting and Wow getting in and out Boston can be some fun for sure. I am currently sitting on the committees of Strategic Planning, Medical, Audit and Compliance. Busy working on the New Playbook to make Boston Shriners the place we want kids to come for care. Lots of moving parts as the Shriners move to the new computer system: EPIC. Also, there is a continued care collaboration with Shriners New England in Springfield MA and we are working on bettering the services for both locations.

See what the Future holds as we do this valuable work for the care of Children everywhere at no cost to them.

Jim

A Word from your Oriental Guide

It is with great honor and pleasure that I have been elected to serve as the 2025 Oriental Guide for Mt Sinai # 4. It's no secret that our fraternal organization, like so many other groups, have sagging memberships and in our case the black camel is outpacing our addition of new members. This is not a sustainable trend. One initiative that I'd like to explore to counter this, is the resurrection of the Hillbilly degree, which is not only a ton of fun, but includes our ladies in the degree as well. In speaking with my "cousins" in the Ottawa clan, they report that the Hillbilly's have reenergized their shrine center and increased participation dramatically. The other project I'm working on is a "Night Glow Golf" outing which has been booked for Friday Oct. 3rd at the Arrowhead Golf Course in Milton.

This event will be open to the public and hosted by local Blue lodges. More info to follow. Please send me an email if anyone is interested or wants more info on either topic.

Best Regards
Jim Walsh
Oriental Guide 2025



2025 Divan

Potentate - Donald Karlovich
Chief Rabban - Gary Luman
Assistant Rabban - Norbet "Sonny" Fetzer
High Priest and Profit - Michael Bergeron
Oriental Guide - James Walsh

Recorder - Mike Gunn
Treasurer - Alton Willard

From the desk of: Mike Gunn February 25, 2025

Subject: Records report TT's

#1—To all members of Mt. Sinai, if you attend a Blue Lodge meeting you do have permission from the Masonic Worshipful Master Paul Mosher to hear your Mt. Sinai Fez to these meetings. What you are doing is promoting Mt. Sinai and to get Masonic members to ask how one is to join and what we do as a Philanthropy. Please do this and recruit new members to Mt. Sinai. Thanking you, Mike Gunn, Recorder of Mt. Sinai.



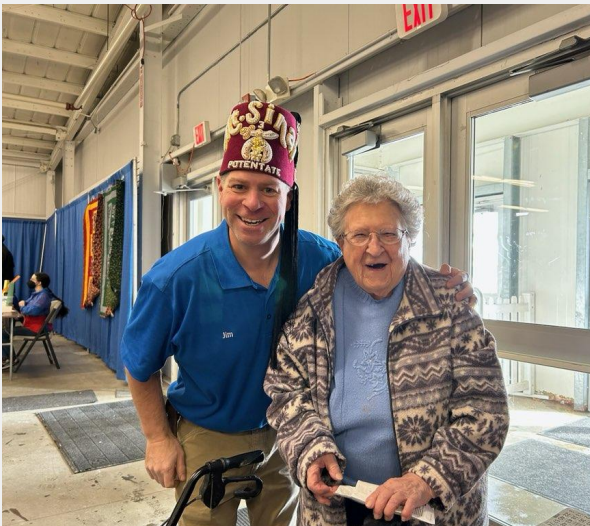
Next Bingo: 4-May

Next scheduled unit: **Sinai Joes and Cabari**

Bingo is always looking for more volunteers and players

Units you don't have to wait for your assigned month to join in the fun

Super Bingo Winners (you might recognize one of them!)



Editorial

2025 Fundraiser plans are underway: Ideas so far; golf tournament, walk-a-thon, motorcycle poker run, Talent show. Do you have an interest or special talent for fundraising; reach out to any divan member. Many hands make light work!

Check out the upcoming events listed - lots of fun opportunities to get involved with your Temple!

Do you know of someone who might be interested in becoming a member - strike up a conversation



March

5- Membership and Marketing - Zoom

6-8 Oriental Guide Leadership Conference

10-12 Kosair for Kids Leadership Conference

April

5- Ladies of the Table - St. Albans

19 - Spring Ceremonial - St. Albans

May

4 - Bingo

June

8- Bingo

29-3rd - Imperial Session - Atlanta Ga.

2025 Bingo Schedule

**Note: There will be no Bingo in
March, April of October**

**Please watch the
announcements for any changes
that might be needed**

4-May: Sinai Joes and Cabari

8-June: Fire Brigade

6-July: Motor Corp

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Membership Education opportunity - sign up for the 2025 virtual Membership and Marketing seminars. These are free to join. And open to any member in good standing

next session: March 5, 2025

<https://www.shrinersinternational.org/en/member-center/Education>





**IMPORTANT
ANNOUNCEMENT!**



Greetings!

We are pleased to announce that the registration links for the **2025 Oriental Guide Leadership Conference** and the **2025 Kosair for Kids Shrine Leaders Conference** (formerly Assistant Rabban Leadership Conference) are now live.

The exact dates for these conferences are as follows:

Oriental Guide Leadership Conference – Arrival and registration on Wednesday, March 5, with departure after 6PM (flight time) on Saturday, March 8, or anytime on Sunday, March 9. The conference is expected to end at 4PM.

The actual class dates are March 6-8, 2025.

***Kosair for Kids Shrine Leaders Conference** – Arrival and registration on Sunday, March 9, with departure after 6PM (flight time) on Wednesday, March 12, or anytime on Thursday, March 13. The conference is expected to end at 4PM.

The actual class dates are March 10-12, 2025.

***In order to register for the Kosair for Kids Shrine Leaders Conference, you must have obtained the office of Assistant Rabban or higher.**

The deadline for registering and to secure a sleeping room for the Oriental Guide Conference is ****February 11**

The deadline for registering and to secure a sleeping room for the Assistant Rabban Conference is ****February 17**

****Please note - the room block may sell out, please secure your reservations early.**

Contact the Recorder for more information

Upcoming Visitation

Dates: March 14-16th

Location: Saratoga Holiday Inn; Saratoga Springs NY

Potentate Todd Bailey and First Lady Tess



Oriental Shriners Potentates Ball

March 14-16, 2025

Illustrious Sir Todd Bailey and Lady Tess cordially invite you to the Oriental Shriners Potentates Ball at the Saratoga Holiday Inn, 232 Broadway, Saratoga NY 12866

Rooms are available for \$149 per night, plus tax

Room Reservation Deadline 2/21/2025

Please make your room reservations directly with the hotel ~518-584-4550 or 1-855-592-8367 or www.saratogahi.com. **Mention Group Code: OSP**

Hospitality ~ Friday open at 3 p.m.~ Saturday, Noon - 4p.m. & after the Ball

Saturday Morning Business Meeting (business attire) & Ladies Program (casual dress)

Formal Dress for the Ball: Gentlemen ~ Tuxedo or dark suit & fez; Ladies ~ Evening or cocktail dress

Cocktails & Light Fare ~ cash bar ~Introductions & Dinner

Music and Photo booth will be provided for your entertainment pleasure

Oriental Shriners 2025 Potentate's Ball Reservation Form

Nobles Name, Title

Lady's Name

Temple & Temple Number

Phone and email

Arrival Date: Friday March 14th _____ Saturday March 15th _____

Meal Choices: \$65 per person ~ Chicken Cordon Blue _____ Crab Stuffed Sole _____
Sliced London Broil _____

Kids Meal _____

Total Amount enclosed: _____

Meal reservations and payment due by March 4, 2025

Please make Checks payable to Oriental Shrine

Send reservations and payment to:

Todd Bailey, 257 Frontage Rd, Keeseville, NY 12944

518-569-0512 - augarwhitewolf@frontiernet.net

Cairo Shriners Freezing for a Reason!



Freezin' for a Reason Polar Plunge

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

Saturday March 29, 2025

12pm Lake Bomoseen Lodge, Bomoseen VT

On Saturday March 29, 2025 participants will plunge into Lake Bomoseen's icy waters, while raising awareness and funding for Cairo Shriners!

WILL YOU JOIN US?

Registration \$20 Per Plunger

NO FUNDRAISING MINIMUM



FOR CORPORATE SPONSOR INFO CONTACT



CAIRO TEMPLE @ caiopote24@gmail.com or 802-747-3400

Franklin Lodge #4 F&AM
invites you and your lady to our

Ladies at the Table

Saturday April 5, 2025

6:00 pm

at Franklin Lodge

142 North Main Street

St. Albans

Elegant 7 course meal with toasts

and guest speaker

\$30.00 per person

Please reserve by March 25, 2025

Tickets available from:

Jerry Morong 524-6637 moronggerald@comcast.net

David Baker 309-8935 drbaker81@comcast.net

Tickets limited to 50

Fun for the whole family

ALL NEW
SHRINERS CIRCUS 2025



Tickets \$20

New Dates!

APRIL 24-27, 2025

SCHOOL VACATION WEEK

THURSDAY April 24 11:00 am & 3:00 pm	FRIDAY April 25 11:00 am & 3:00 pm	New Show Times! FREE PARKING Doors Open 1 Hour Before Show Time
SATURDAY April 26 10:00 am & 2:00 pm & 6:00 pm	SUNDAY April 27 11:00 am & 3:00 pm	

CLICK HERE FOR TICKETS



SHRINERS AUDITORIUM
99 FORDHAM RD. • WILMINGTON, MA

Proceeds benefit the Aleppo Shriners Auditorium. Payments not deductible as charitable contributions.

Unit News

Motorcycle Unit - Sonny Fetzer (shomei55@gmail.com)

Meeting date

meeting location

Fire Brigade - Ken Johnson (kenlocks@comcast.net)

Meeting date

meeting location:

Motor Corp - Dave Baker (drbaker81@comcast.net/moronggerald@comcast.net)

Meeting date

Meeting location:

Sinai Joes - Paul Laflamme (plaflamme@vermontel.net/davegulbrandsen@yahoo.com)

Meeting date

Meeting location:

Bunker Busters - Donald Karlovich PP (donaldkarlovich@yahoo.com)

Meeting date

Meeting location:

Camel - Mike Parent PP (myke57@hotmail.com)

Northern Shrine Club - Gerald Morong PP (moronggerald@comcast.net)

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Past Potentates (Living)

1991 - Homer Selby (Janet)
1992 - Donald Tessier
1994 - Roy Vance (Linda)
1998 - Gerald Morong (Frances)
1999 - Winston Harper (Rachel)
2000 - C.J. Murray (Deborah)
2002 - Gary Centabar
2004- Micheal Parent (Maureen)
2006 - Leo Laflamme (Linda)
2008 - Harry Richard (Mickey)
2010 - Kristi Morris (Sharon)
2012- Shawn Kincaid (Jacqi)
2013 - Alton Willard (Joan)
2014 - Bruce Pelletier (Monica)
2015- Paul Mosher
2016 - Ken Canning (Liz)

2017 - Pierre Letourneau
2018 - Donald Karlovich (Karen)
2019 - Micheal Parent (Maureen)
2020 - Gary Luman Jr. (Angela)
2021 - James Smith (Laura)
2022 - Bruce Pelletier (Monica)
2023 - Scott Boyer (Jennifer)
2024 - David Coffey (Lynne)

Next edition

March 1, 2025

Please have submissions entered by the 28th of the month to ensure time to add. All submissions should be sent to:

galuman2020@gmail.com

Pictures and funnies are also welcome

Sick Call

Black Camel 2025

RICHARD HALLSTROM, WATERBURY, VT.

BORN: 4/3/1947

CREATED 5/9/1998

DIED: 12/27/2024

JOHN T. COLBY, MONTPELIER, Vt

Born: 4/22/1930

Created: 5/9/1959

Died: 1/13/2025

Opportunities

Fundraising Committee: Do you or your lady have an interest in fundraising? Have an idea on how to raise money for the Temple and the Hospitals? If so contact any member of the Divan and they will be happy to help.



Divan Positions: Have you ever wondered how one gets selected for the Divan. Contact the office at recorder@mountsinaishriners.org and Mike will help direct you.

Did you know...

that Shriner's hospital help Orthopedic or Burned children?

Contact us:
1(800)237-5055
OR
shrinershospitalsforchildren.org

To join us:
<https://www.beashrinernow.com/>

WE ALSO TREAT THE FOLLOWING:

- *Scoliosis
- *Dislocated hips
- *Club feet
- *Cerebral Palsy
- *Cleft lip or palate
- *Hand, Leg, or Back problems
- *Absent arm or leg
- *Myelodispasia
- *Short legs
- *Ricketts
- *Legg-Perthes Disease
- *Fractures
- *Sports injures to bones, muscles or tendons
- *Burn Scars
- *Osteogenesis imperfecta or brittle bone disease
- *A variety of Neuromascular Diseases