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Shriners Childrens



Last August, four Shriners Children's patient alumnae took the ice—and the world—by storm at the inaugural World Para Ice Hockey Women's World Championships in Slovakia.

Competing as part of the U.S. Women's National Sled Hockey Team, captain Erica McKee, Lera Doederlein, goaltender Hope Magelky and former national patient ambassador Katie Ladlie showed what grit and teamwork truly look like.

From Shriners Children's to the world stage, these world-class athletes are inspiring the next generation of young athletes.

Read more in Leaders in Care Magazine:

<https://ow.ly/6iW550Yt8T5>

Shriners Children - Boston



Shriners Children's Boston patients cooked up a storm at their latest Team Brave outing during a cooking class at Selfup in Boston. With the help of the Boston Firefighters Burn Foundation, burn survivors explore new activities, building strength and self-esteem alongside peers.

Shriners International

Shriners' Biggest Event Comes to Tampa

An Insider's Preview



**TAMPA TAKES
CENTER STAGE
AS IMPERIAL
SESSION DROPS
ANCHOR**

THE 152ND IMPERIAL SESSION of Shriners International is headed to Tampa, and nobody is more excited than local James Lich, Egypt Shriners Past Potentate and one of the key organizers for this year's event.

For James, who's been part of the fraternity for decades and has attended more than a dozen Imperial Sessions across North America, this year is special — not just because it's happening in his own city, but because of what Imperial Session means for Shriners everywhere.

"It's kind of like the Super Bowl, honestly. For Shriners, this is the one time a year we really get to celebrate both the fraternity and the philanthropy. It's our chance to bring everyone together, remember what matters, and just have a great time," James said.

"It's kind of like the Super Bowl, honestly."

José Gaspar — at the Tampa Convention Center, with the Marriott Water Street, Embassy Suites Downtown and Hilton Downtown Tampa as official hotels. James is quick to point out the perks of the location: "You're steps from the Riverwalk, the Florida Aquarium and Ybor City. The city's changed a lot in the last decade — the waterfront is booming, there's world-class dining, and neighborhoods are connected by new, modern transportation."

James, a longtime Tampa Bay resident, says the support from his temple is huge. "We're even organizing transportation between downtown and the Shrine Center, and hosting both formal and informal events."

Looking back on past Sessions, James says each city brings something unique — Daytona, Toronto, Charlotte, San Antonio — but he's learned a few universal lessons.

In 2026, Session will be held in a city known for its colorful history — including legends that it was founded by the pirate

"You always figure out what works and what doesn't. In Atlanta, we saw the importance of great hospitality and smooth logistics. In Tampa, we have an experienced events team, and the city itself is set up to make people feel welcome."

James' role this year is all about communication and creating a memorable experience: He'll be working closely on social media, the event website and the program book, making sure everyone is in the loop and that Imperial Session has that extra spark. "It's an honor to help put this hallmark event together. I want people to see not just Tampa's fun side, but also that the Shriners have been woven into this city's fabric for over a hundred years."

For James, Imperial Session is about more than ceremonies or legislation. "It's a celebration. It's about the fraternity, the philanthropy and — most importantly — the kids we serve. We get to reconnect, honor our patient ambassadors and remind ourselves why we wear the fez."

With the city ready and the Shriners eager to gather, James sums it up: "We're working on all cylinders to make this the best party we can. I hope everyone sticks around after Imperial Session and really experiences what Tampa Bay has to offer. There's a lot more here than you think."

SAVE THE DATE

July 12–16, 2026

Learn more at
imperialsession.com



Shriners Children's - New England



Shriners Children - Boston



Shriners Children's Boston is recognizing Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Week. Our NPs work tirelessly to provide wraparound, compassionate care. They also share their clinical expertise with the public through education on burn prevention and awareness. Shriners Children's is truly grateful for their hard work and dedication.

Shriners Children - NE



SAVE THE DATE!

Cheers for Children returns to MGM Springfield on Friday, October 16!

Join us for an unforgettable adult (21+) night out featuring tastings from the region's best restaurants, craft breweries, wineries and distilleries. There will be live entertainment, games & prizes, a silent auction, and more, all to benefit Shriners Children's New England.

Tickets will go on sale in June.



Shriners
Children's™
Boston



Shriners
Children's™
New England

**Join Us for Shriners Day hosted by Shriners Children's Boston
and Shriners Children's New England.
Saturday, April 11, 2026**

Schedule:

**9:00–11:00 a.m. - Shriners Children's Boston
51 Blossom Street, Boston, MA 02114**

**General and clinical presentations followed by tour.
Morning refreshments and boxed lunches will be provided.**

**2:00 - 4:00 p.m. - Shriners Children's New England
516 Carew Street, Springfield, MA 01104**

**General and clinical presentations followed by tour.
Afternoon refreshments will be provided.**

**Registered Shriners guests may attend either one or both events at our two
Massachusetts locations. Transportation between locations will not be provided.**

More Details:

- **Shriners Day is a ticketed event and no walk-ins will be accepted.**
- **This event is complimentary for Nobles & Ladies of supporting Shrine Centers.**
- **We kindly ask that each Shrine Center limit their sign ups to no more than 10 members.**
- **Please note, we are limited to 150 guests per location for Shriners Day.**
- **The deadline to register for Shriners Day is Friday, March 13 by 5 PM but registration will close earlier if the events are at capacity.**
- **If event is sold out, please email Shriners Children's Boston at BostonDonorRelations@shrinenet.org and Shriners Children's New England at eogrady@shrinenet.org to be added to the priority list for next Shriners Day.**

**If you are experiencing any cold, flu or other illness symptoms leading up
to April 11, we kindly ask that you do not attend Shriners Day to reduce
the risk of spreading illness to others.**

Please RSVP by Friday, March 13th



Register Here

Shriners International



Membership & Marketing

6th Annual Virtual Event Series - Dates

(Attendance required at all four (4) to achieve Apprentice Certificate.)

- Virtual Event #2: **Thursday, May 21, 2026**
- Virtual Event #3: **Thursday, August 20, 2026**
- Virtual Event #4: **Thursday, January 21, 2027**

The virtual events series will be held from 1–3 p.m., Eastern Time, and will be recorded. For learners who cannot attend the virtual sessions live, the recordings will be available [on this page](#) following the final session. Credit toward certificate completion will be granted if archived videos are viewed within two weeks of being posted. **The deadline to receive credit is TBD.**

<https://nobleacademyeducation.org/>

Mid-Winter Meeting Hyannis Ma.



FYI - Mt. Sinai's assigned Hotel for
NESAs is Margaritaville (see
announcement on page 25)



Shriners Children - Canada



✨ ✨ ✨
Congratulations to our patient ambassador Anaïs!

A figure skater since the age of 3 and a four-time provincial finals qualifier, Anaïs has just added another remarkable accomplishment to her journey.

This weekend, she and her synchronized skating team won gold at the Canada Cup, earning the title of Canadian champions, along with a record-breaking score in their category.

Thanks to your support and the care she received, Anaïs is able to continue pursuing her passions and achieving her dreams. Bravo Anaïs — you inspire us every single day!



Potentate Message



Happy Spring all,

We have had some recent interesting in membership, thanks to the recruiting efforts of Noble Charles and PP Dave C - Well done guys, lets hope we keep this momentum up. Thanks to all who joined Lady Angie and I at the Oriental Visitation - we had lots of fun. Also a reminder for those who are planning on attending visitation deadline for mailing in the forms is April 10th - online registration will be open longer. Ill. Brian and I are hoping to see lots of our nobles and Divan in attendance, will be lots of fun!

Fraternally Yours, Illustrious Gary
[galuman2020@gmail.com]



Hospital Board News

Greetings from Shriners Children's Boston,

Well, it is almost like Medical School when I sit on the Research and Grants committee, this month Dr. Shingo Yasuhara gave us a talk titled: "When Muscle Cannot Adapt: Stress Testing Mitochondrial Resilience After Severe Burn". Very good stuff to see that we are trying to get to the route causes of slower recovery and speed it up with modern techniques.

There is still a scramble to get the last minute tweaks and fixes done before the hospital inspection team arrives. The inspection team does show up unannounced so being in the "window" has staff on their game all the time right now.

Thank you to all who have signed up to come down to SHC Boston on April 11th for an open house. If you haven't signed up, you can't just show up as these spots are counted and limited. Should be a great time to see the inside another great Shriners Hospital.

Plans are rolling on the Haunted Walk for Oct 2026. I will soon be looking for donations to meet my goal of \$2500.00. We start our goal for fundraising in April.

Jim, PP 2021

Oriental Visitation

March 2026

Attendees: Illustrious Sir Gary and Lady Angie, Chief Rabban Mike B and Lady Liz, Assistant Rabban Jim W and Lady Dale, HP&P Scott and Lady Jen, OG Ross & Lady Alix



Important Dates to Remember

Springfield/Boston Shriners Day April 11

Montreal Hospital Seminar - April 23-24

Karnak Visitation - April 24-25

Melha Visitation - May 1-2

Mt. Sinai/Cairo Joint Visitation May 15-16,
2026 - Jay Peak Resort

2026 Imperial Session: July 12-16; Tampa
Fla.

NESA Hyannis Ma. Aug. 20-24 2026



Next Bingo: 31-May

Next scheduled unit: **Motor Corp/Fire Brigade**

Volunteers are always needed

NOTE: unit assignments took parade season into consideration

Lost and Found -

Travel mug - left behind by one of the Shrine volunteers at the December Bingo

2026 Divan

Potentate - Gary Luman

Chief Rabban - Michael Bergeron

Assistant Rabban - James Walsh

High Priest and Prophet - Scott Boyer

Oriental Guide - Ross Schacher

Recorder - Warren Whitney

Treasurer - Alton Willard



Editorial

Reminder: All Nobles and their ladies are invited to participate in any of the posted visitations - these are a great way to get to know nobles from other temples

Membership is the life blood of the Temple. Any ideas to improve membership please share!

YES! We could use more help



April

- 11 - Springfield/Boston Hospital Day**
- 18 - Ladies of the Table St. Albans**
- 23-24 - Montreal Hospital Seminar**
- 24-25 - Karnak Visitation**

May

- 1-2 - Melha Visitation**
- 5 - Divan meeting**
- 15-16 - Mt. Sinai/Cairo Visitation**
- 31 - Bingo**



2026 Bingo Schedule

Note: There will be no Bingo in April or June

Please watch the announcements for any changes that might be needed

31 - May - Fire Brigade/Motor Corp

5 - July - Cabari/Provost Guard

9 - August - Clown Unit/Fire Brigade

Parade seasons have been taken into consideration where possible.





CAIRO SHRINERS



VIDALIA ONIONS

It's that time of year. Spring is here and so are those delicious Vidalia Onions.

Now is the time to order.

Freshly picked onions will be here beginning of May

FINAL orders by April 30th to Cairo Shriners

This Benefits The Cairo Shrine Temple

**Free Local Delivery Available and Pick up at Cairo Temple 51 Washington St.
Rutland, VT.**

5 Pound Bags - \$10.00

10 Pound Bags - \$18.00

To Order Contact

Jason Coltey 802-342-8733 or jcoltey28@gmail.com

Brian Christian 802-989-3038 or bcc196412@gmail.com

Cairo Temple 802-747-3400 or admin@cairoshriners.org

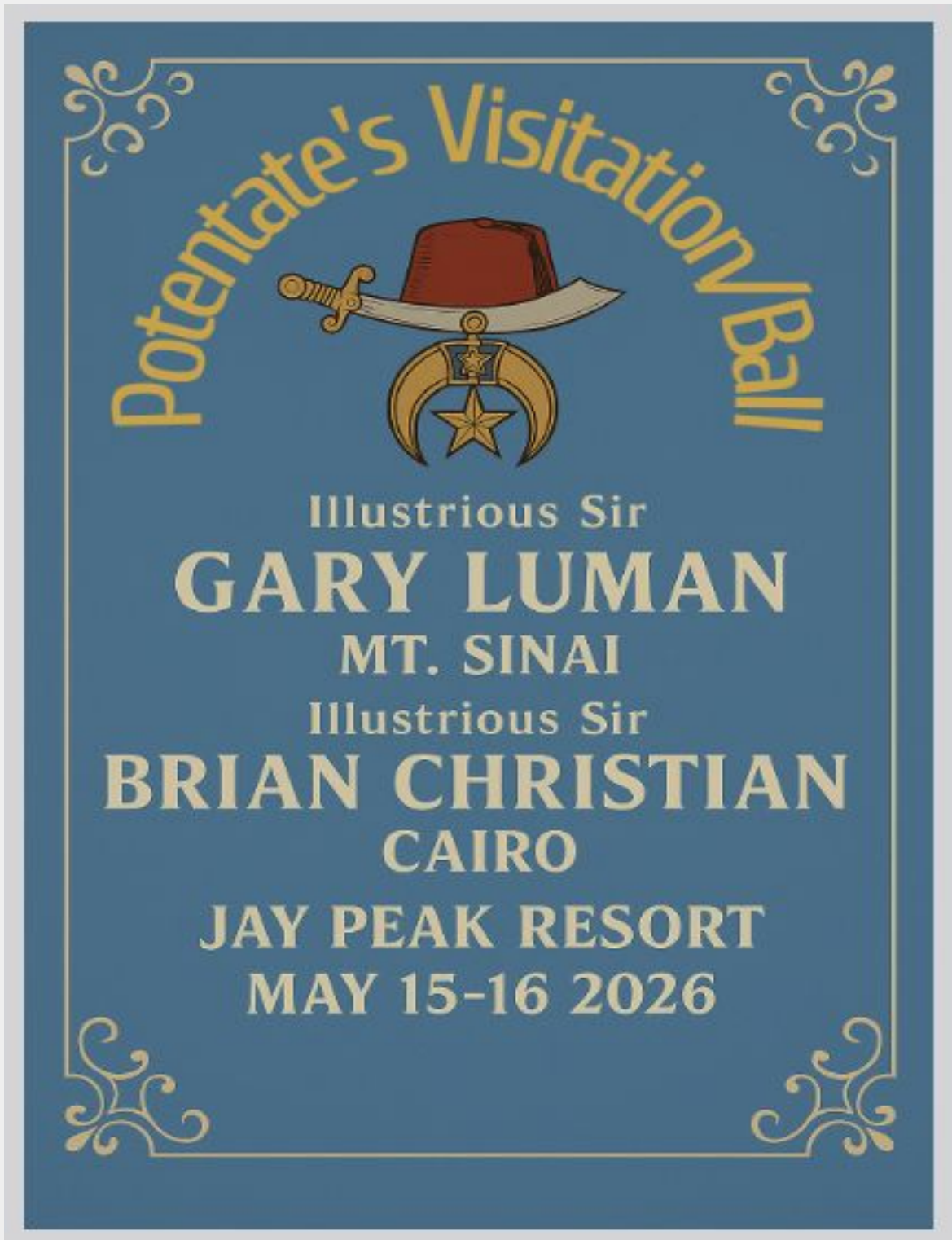


Celebration of a Life Past, Present and Future

"The color purple, representing wisdom, dignity, and a life well lived."



**90 YEARS OF LIFE &
70 YEARS OF LOVE**



Registration form and Hotel information will be sent to your provided email. (New this year we have a Zeffy account for these occasions!)

Hotel Information

Jay Peak Resort and Conference Center

CALL-IN LODGING GUIDELINES

Jay Peak Resort and Conference Center: For Reservations, please call toll-free 1-800-451-4449.

Lodging - Room Type	Lodging Only Rate Inclusive	Splash & Stay Rate Inclusive (based on 2 adults)
Hotel Jay - Standard King Room	\$135.38	\$207.75
Hotel Jay - Studio Suites	\$172.00	\$244.38
Hotel Jay - One Bedroom Suites	\$233.91	\$306.29
Golf & Mountain Cottage 1 Bedroom	\$206.88	\$279.26
Golf & Mountain Cottage 2 Bedroom	\$280.13	\$352.51

Room rates include a nightly \$29.00 taxable resort fee and 9% VT State Tax.

Above rates reflect a 20% group lodging discount

GROUP NAME: Mount Sinai Shriners

GROUP CODE: 1150224

NOTE: This is a family-friendly resort with a full water park. Rates are good for up to a week before or post-event for those who desire to extend their stay



Vermont Joint Visitation/Ball Registration Form

Name: _____
Address: _____
City/State/ZIP: _____
Email: _____
Temple / Position: _____

**Deadline April
10 for mail in**

Event Registration

Event	Cost per Person	Number Attending	Total Due
Friday Night BBQ	\$25	_____	\$ _____ —
Saturday Breakfast	\$20	_____	\$ _____ —
Saturday Gala	\$65	_____	\$ _____ —
Beef		_____	
Chicken		_____	
Fish		_____	
Hillbilly Degree (includes Hat, membership, and goodies)	\$50	_____	\$ _____ —

Dietary Restrictions: _____

Total Amount Due (USD): \$ _____

Payment Information

International/credit card payments:

<https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/potentates-visitationball>

Mail Checks registration To:

Gary LumanS
144 Larkin Way #415
South Burlington, VT 05403

**Online deadline
April 17th**

Registration Deadline: April 11, 2026

Presented by : Mt. Sinai #3 and Cairo Shriners

GREEN MTN HILLBILLY CLAN #102 DEGREE



Hillbillies Having Fun and Helping Children

This is the first Hillbilly degree performed by Clan 102 since 1988. All Nobles and their Ladies are invited. Please join us as Mt. Sinai and Cairo Shriners team up for an evening of fun that will not soon be forgotten. It truly is a fun event, don't miss out !

Hillbilly Shriners proudly donate 100% of all contributions and proceeds to Shriners Children's and their Transportation Funds.



SHRINERS
INTERNATIONAL

Helping to change the lives of children everyday, by supporting Shriners Children's. Where the "Most Amazing Care Anywhere" is available, regardless of the families ability to pay.

May 15, 2026

Friday 6pm

Jay Peak, Vt

**Join us for a night
of food, fun and
frolics**

\$50 per person
\$20 – Members of other
clans(w/ID)

To reserve your spot:
Contact- Jim Walsh at
jwalsh331@gmail.com

Mt. Sinai #3 Montpelier,Vt

Cairo Shriners Rutland,Vt

greenmtnhillbilly@gmail.com

Dress: Jeans are encouraged



FALL FIELD DAYS AUGUST 20-23, 2026



Registration Form

Please Print Clearly

Shrine Center: _____
 Noble: _____
 Title: _____ Lady's Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State/Province/Zip: _____
 Phone: _____ Email: _____
 Arrival Date/Time: _____ Departure Date/Time: _____
 Competing in Competition: Clown: _____ MotorCorp: _____

NSA Banquet	\$75 Lobster (Per Person)	_____
Margaritaville	\$65 Steak or Chicken (Per Person)	_____
Saturday, August 22	\$65 Vegetarian (Per Person)	_____
6:00pm Social • 7:00pm Meal		
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Ladies Luncheon	\$55 (Per Person)	_____
Margaritaville		
Saturday, August 21		
11:00am to 1:00pm		
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NSA Whiskey	\$70 (Per Bottle)	_____
		Total \$ _____

Dietary Restrictions:

Name On Card: _____
 Credit Card # _____ Expiration Date: _____ Security Code: _____
 Check #: _____ Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Please Make Checks payable to **Aleppo Shriners**.
 PLEASE RETURN REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT NO LATER THAN AUGUST 3, 2026

Director General: Brian Rushlow 508-254-1307 Brian.Rushlow@gmail.com	Aleppo Office: Maribel DeLuca 978-657-4202 x216 MDeLuca@AleppoShriners.com
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Room Assignments for Northeast Field Days August 20 - 23, 2026

Mt. Sinai	20	10	Margaritaville	efagan@margaritavilleresortcapecod.com
Mt. Sinai - Overflow			Holiday Inn	amcsorley@holidayinncapecod.com

Deadlines:
Rooms: July 15
Meals: Aug 3

Tel. 508-306-0155

Room Rates	
Margaritaville	\$641.00 per room, single occupancy \$667.00 per room, double occupancy Additional kids(12 & under) \$10 per day
3-Night Package	Additional Adult \$20 per day
3-Night Package	Three (3) Nights accommodations, THU/FRI/SAT Two (2) Resort Breakfast Buffet FRI&SAT All taxes/facility fees/resort fee included Water Park passes will be included
	Extra days - \$181.98

Unit News

Motorcycle Unit - Michael Bergeron (mikes750sf@gmail.com)

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

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

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

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

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

Provost Guard - James Murphy 802-279-3981



Bingo Units 2026

March 15 - Motor Corp/Motor Cycle

May 31 - Fire Brigade/Motor Corp

July 5 - Cabiri/Provost Guard

Aug 9 - Clown/Fire Brigade

Unit News

Getting to know your Units

Ever wonder what Units are available

Ever wanted to know what they do and when they meet.

Wonder no more!

Unit Name - Provost Guard

Meeting Dates - Once a month (Normally last Monday of each Month (exception, no meetings are scheduled during the winter months)

Meeting Locations - American Legion home, Colchester, VT, 12:00 noon lunch included.

Contact - James Murphy 802-279-3981

Unit Name - Motor Corp

Headquartered in St. Albans

We are the Motor Corps. We drive over a limousine with go-karts while riding in a parade. We just held a breakfast meeting this month. Our annual meeting will be in May at a local restaurant. To join, you can contact me at moronggerald@comcast.net or David Baker at drbaker81@comcast.net.

NOTE: More units will be added as information is provided

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)
2025 - Donald Karlovich (Karen)

Next edition

April 1, 2026

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

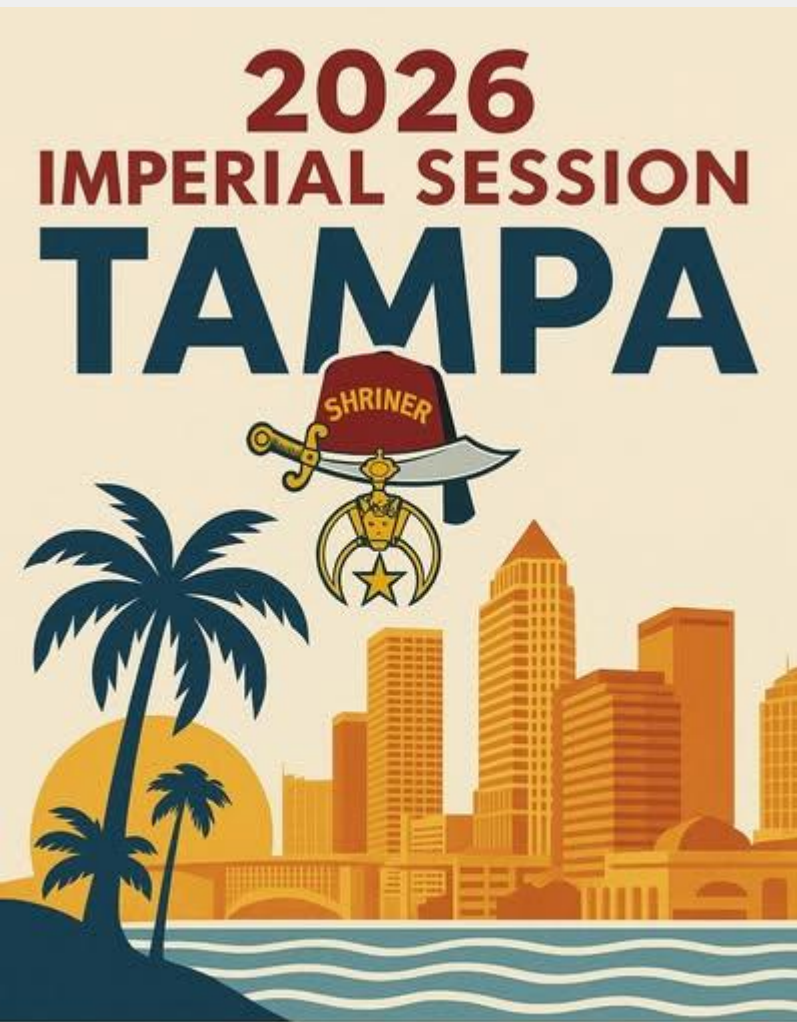
Sick Call

Black Camel - 2026

Duane C. Cate
Deceased, 2025
Monroe, NH
Created : 05/17/1969

Past Potentate Leo Laflamme
Deceased Feb. 2026
Springfield Vt

Mark Your Calendars Upcoming Imperial Session



JULY 12-16



Any Noble can attend. If interested please reach out for estimated costs.

Mark Your Calendars

Upcoming NESAs Dates

FUTURE NSA SESSIONS

- 2026 - Aleppo -
Massachusetts, USA
- 2027 - Anah - Maine, USA
- 2028 - Karnak - Quebec, CA
- 2029 - Melha -
Massachusetts, USA
- 2030 - Kora - Maine, USA
- 2031 - Luxor - New
Brunswick, CA
- 2032 - Tunis - Ontario, CA
- 2033 - Cairo - Vermont, USA
- 2034 - Pyramid,
Connecticut, USA

2026 NESAs will be in Cape Cod August 20-23. More information will be provided after Mid-Winter March 12-14

Any Noble can attend. If interested please reach out for estimated costs.

Members wanted

ATTENTION

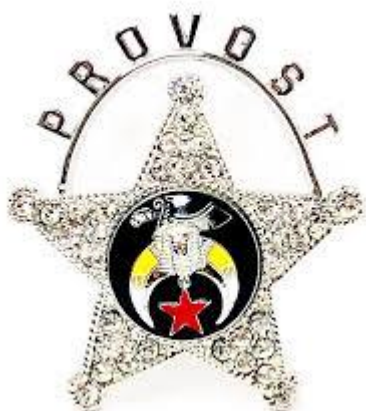
The Provost Guard of Mt Sinai is looking to increase its membership should those interested wish to learn more about the duties of the Provost Guard prior to becoming a member please contact:

Jim Murphy

Provost Marshal

Phone 802-279-3981

Email Jim@adavt.com



Are you wondering what the Provost Guard does?
In general terms:

Within the Shriners International fraternity, the Provost Guard unit is responsible for the internal security of the Shrine Temple at all functions, escorting the Potentate and First Lady to events, and participating in parades and other public appearances.

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 will help direct you.

Is there an activity that you enjoy and think others would like to join you. How about forming a club? Wonder how to do that you can contact Gary Luman PP '26 at galuman2020@gmail.com

Membership - Are you interested in helping rebuild our Temple. New Membership Committee is being formed please reach out if you are interested in joining.

