



Cermonial in Greece 28-30 April 2023



Nobles and DIVAN after creation in Greece.

During the weekend of 28 - 30 April 2023 The Illustrious Potentate and Nobles from Emirat Shrine traveled to Athens Greece to attend a Ceremonial conducted by the Hellenic Shrine Club in Athens. Friday started off the Ill Potentate and the Nobles getting tour of the Grand Lodge of Greece, what a stupendous edifice, we were accompanied by the immediate Past Potentate of Emirat Shrine Ill Sir Ioannis "John" Kardassopoulos, better known as Yannis and the President of the Hellenic Shrine Club Noble Michail Koiliaris and other officers from the club.

This was followed by a Friday night meet and greet with the Nobles and Ladies from the Hellenic Shrine Club. Saturday started off with a tour of The Ancient Agora of Athens followed by a Ceremonial were 20 new Nobles were created.

The day ended with the Potentates Ball, which was well attended and over 1,500 Euro was raised for the Emirat Shrine Transportation Fund.





Cermonial in Germany 12-14 May 2023



Another Ceremonial was conducted in Germany during the weekend of 12 - 14 May 2023. Friday night started off with a meet and greet attend by over 90 Nobles, Novices, Ladies, and guest of Emirat Shrine. After the dinner, the Officers of the Loyal Order of the Water Buffaloes were installed in their respective stations which was followed by the initiation ceremony where 4 Mr's (ladies) and one Noble were created as Water Buffaloes, more to follow on this in an article in the Kamel Tales.

Saturday started off with the Loyal Order of the Water Buffalo degree, where over 36 new members were created. This was the first time for Emirat, what a great time of fun and fellowship.

This was followed by the creation ceremony where 20 new Nobles were created for Emirat Shrine. Not only where Nobles were created, but we had 6 Nobles reinstated and one Noble Associate.

This was followed by Camels Milk and The Potentates Ball, where over 90 Nobles, Ladies and Guest attended. As with every Ceremonial in Germany the Legion of Honor Color Guard, under the Command of Noble Anthony Ward, posted the colors accompanied by the Knights of Saint Andrew from the AMSRB as the escorts.

During the night over 4,000.00 Euro was raised for the Emirat Shrine Transportation Fund.

All in all, another great weekend of fun and fellowship.





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Ceremonial in Bucharest, Romania 29 May 2023



Another Ceremonial was held on 29 May 2023 in Bucharest, Romania at the Complex, Silva. It was the first time Emirat has been to the Romanian Shrine Club in five years to conduct a Ceremonial. In total 11 Nobles were created, and 9 Nobles were reinstated. It was a very successful weekend due in large part to the hard work and dedication of Noble George Taulescu.



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Potentate

Since the Nobility elected me as Potentate of Emirat Shrine in January 2023, I represented the Nobles and our temple at the George Washington Ball in Stuttgart, The American Canadian Grand Lodge Annual Communication, Ceremonials in Athens, Greece, Stuttgart, Germany and Bucharest, Romania. During the Ceremonials we have created over 50 new Nobles for Emirat Shrine and Shriners International. In a couple of weeks' time, I will have the Honor of representing Emirat Shrine at the Imperial Session, where I will again present a check of \$ 10,000.00 to Shriners Children Hospitals. I also have the Honor of attending the Annual Hall of Fame Luncheon where Emirat Shriners will be awarded the Gold Award for membership for the third year in a row.

My motto for the year is "Share the Light" and in this spirit of Fun & Fellowship will be promoted in the future by two new Units, which will also involve our Ladies and Partners. Both Clown Unit and The Turtles have made it their mission to share our idea with as many people as possible.

I would also like to mention the activities of the Sicilia Shrine Club. The Nobles and Ladies visit regional hospitals as "Sicilia Shrine Club Super Heros" and bring smiles to the faces of children. With the "Children's Cooking Class" the club has made it to the final of the Fun & Fellowship Competition of Shriners International. Every Noble and every Ladie can still vote <http://bit.ly/Emirat-Shriners>, please vote every day and help the Sicilia Shrine Club and Emirat win this. Many clubs have new ideas to promote our philanthropy. What about your club? Do you have activities and want to share them with other Nobles? The Recorder will be happy to help you. On June 24, 2023, shortly before the imperial session, which we will have 3 representatives for the first time, we will have the joint Hawaiian Family Charity BBQ of Emirat and ACGL. If you are not registered yet, please contact the Recorder. Between writing these lines and sending them, the Ceremonial in Bucharest took place, which I will tell you about next time. Now 5 more ceremonials are planned. These will take place in Rome, Gran Canaria, Sicily, Stuttgart, and Istanbul. I would be happy if other Nobles participate in the Ceremonials besides the Divan. I promise you it will be a special experience every time. Noble Johnny Henke and his Lady Imme can tell you about it.

Thanks to the Divan and Committee members who are working as team for a great future of Emirat Shriners. I'm sure in the next month you will see the results of this teamwork. Last but not least thanks to our Ladies who support us so much. We, I appreciate this very much and send you my warmest greetings.

Fraternal Greetings,

Ill Frank Ullmann
Potentate Emirat Shriner 2023





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Chief Rabban

In the past I had just known about the Shrine and their idea of making the world a better place for children with special disabilities by reports and through narration by U.S. Service members I have met on various overseas assignments. I was fascinated by what they do and liked the way of supporting a serious cause with a lot of humor, fun and fellowship.

About 10 years ago, I first encountered live, Shriners on the sidelines of a charity event, I was immediately hooked.

In May 2015 I was accepted into the fraternity and from then I was actively involved with Emirat together with my Lady Kerstin. On a boat tour with the then reigning Imperial Potentate, Imperial Sir Gary Bergenske, I was asked by the new elected Emirat Potentate, if I would familiarize myself with the newly introduced Membership Development System (MDS) and take the office of a Membership Chairman.

Despite the usual election cycle of one year, I was able to occupy this office for two years, as well as my successors Noble Sven Bremer and Noble Mark Stanley. Despite all the ups and downs during those years - due to the loss of members, the contact ban due to Corona, we could answer all inquiries from interested parties and clean up our database. Together we managed to keep our membership numbers stable for the time, in order to increase them over the course of the last years. At several seminars that we have attended in the USA, be it the annual membership seminar, the Assistant Rabban and Oriental Guide seminars or other stated meetings:

Emirat Shrine, the comparatively small Shrine Center from Europe, was welcomed everywhere and we were and are regularly congratulated for our work. Because of our hard work Emirat reached the number of members needed to send an additional delegate to the Imperial Session. Which makes me happy is that Emirat Shrine has been inducted into the "Hall of Fame as Gold Temples" for the third year in a row. This award and honor (bronze, silver, gold) is only granted to temples that have achieved a high percentage growth in membership over a fiscal year period.

Thank You Nobles all, thank You fellow Nobles of the Membership Committees and Public Relations.

From the first day I am proud to be a Shriner, proud to serve Emirat as a Noble and as an elected officer of the Divan.

I am grateful for the Brotherhood's trust in electing me through to the office of Emirat Shrines Chief Rabban. The motto of our Potentate Ill Sir Frank says it all: "Share the light".

I will hopefully continue to share it. Let's shine on!

Y.I.T.F.

VolkerDeussen

Chief Rabban



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Assistant Rabban

I would like to start by saying thank you to Nobility for placing your trust in me and allowing me to continue my journey in Divan as Assistant Rabban! I was able to attend AR School this year in Tampa. While I was there, I was able to represent Emirat Shriners and bring to light some of our activities as well as how we are a bit different than the other US based Temples.

Nobles from the States are really happy to see what we are doing on the international side of the house and are looking forward to seeing more of what we do across our social media platforms.

A few common themes I saw at the event across the Temples were how to communicate with different age groups and how to raise charity funds from outside the Shine Temple. Some Temples are struggling with adjusting to the new digital world and some are not. We held several breakout sessions around this topic as communication is key and keeping Nobility informed is one of the foundations of any well-functioning group. Some temples have established communication committees with a Noble representing each Generation to custom fit the communication according to the general requirements of that age group. All in all, it was a great event with a lot of learning from the Imperial.

While there I was also able to meet with the International Coordination/Care Team. They are the Ladies that help us process applications and approve children under our care. They are a really great group of people that often go the extra mile for Emirat. I'm looking forward to our continued partnership to serve a common goal.

In closing I would like to say again, thank you to the Nobility for all you do and to the Clubs. You are doing great things and I'm excited about our future and looking forward to supporting more kids!

YITF,

Noble Anthony Ward,
Assistant Rabban



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High Priest and Prophet

At the Spring Ceremonial Saturday the 13th of May 2023, we again initiated a lot of new Nobles to Emirat Shriners. What a pleasure to see new faces and seeing our Temple grow.

Lady Pia and I are living in the northern part of Germany in the city of Flensburg directly at the border to Denmark. Here we are far away from any established clubs. It was because of this a special pleasure to initiate two new Nobles from Denmark, and by this strengthen the presence in the North. I am sure that we will see more and more new Nobles in Denmark, and that a club in Denmark over the next years will be established. This gives Lady Pia and me the opportunity to get involved in club activities close to our home.

Furthermore, we initiated two new Nobles from Schleswig-Holstein, which is the most northern district in Germany. By this we are now 4 Nobles within a very short distance, and an initiative is already launched for a barbeque with family the 1st of July 2023 in Flensburg, where Nobles and their family from Denmark and northern Germany are invited. This day will also be used to share the impressions of the initiation, and introducing the ladies for the opportunities they have in being an active part of Emirat Shriners.

I wish you all a sunny summer, a lot of development in the clubs and units, and looking forward to seeing you all again shortly at the next event.

Noble Sven Bremer
High Priest and Prophet



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Oriental Guide

What a great day it is to be an Emirat Shriner!

It is said that one's nomination for Oriental Guide (OG) should be based upon a thorough and accurate evaluation of character, ability, and interest. Admittedly, it is a very humbling feeling to know that the Nobility of Emirat Shrine see these qualities in me. I am eternally grateful to have been selected and elected to serve as your Oriental Guide. While we as Shriners belong to a fraternity based on fun, fellowship and the Masonic principles of brotherly love, relief, and truth, it is also an organization that requires work, strength, and sometimes even sacrifice. Therefore, I take great pride and responsibility in representing you as your servant in Divan.

As a result of my election, I was afforded the opportunity to attend the Shriners International Oriental Guide Leadership Conference in Tampa, Florida this past March. The purpose of the OG conferences is to provide Oriental Guides with the knowledge and tools needed to successfully lead as a member of the Temple Board of Directors and more. As you can imagine, the agenda covered a wide range of subjects spanning from leadership to Fundraising and even to legal obligations. Furthermore, it was an amazing experience to receive a Shriners Children's update from the Board of Trustees, Ill Sir (Dr.) Leslie Steward, M.D. and even more so to hear from the [Patient ambassador](#) of Shriners Children's Florida, 15 year old and amputee, [MoMo](#). Transparently, it was a fun yet emotional weekend to truly see the work we do as Shriners.

While every agenda item served a deep purpose, I found the greatest inspiration from Jaffa Shriners, Altoona, Pennsylvania, Past Potentate, Ill Sir Jordan, and Lady Tiffany Settle. The duo presented a 30-minute presentation surrounding the introduction of families to our Shrine. In it, we were reminded that the Shriners International mission is to:

“Provide attractive, quality programs and services for its members, **their families**, and their friends in a spirit of fun, fellowship, and social camaraderie. Foster self-improvement through leadership, education, the perpetuation of moral values and community involvement.

Ill Sir Jordan and Lady Tiffany highlighted the key words “**their families**” in that mission statement. Many Emirat Shriners have children or grandchildren but so few children attend our Temple events. As all who attended our most recent Spring Ceremonial could attend, both my youngest children attended the Potentates Ball. With the addition of the Emirat Pond “Turtles”, the Clown Unit, and the Loyal Order of Water Buffaloes, capped with the attendance of my family, this past Ceremonial has been by far one of the most exciting events I have attended in a great while. My 9-year-old son and 5-year-old daughter continue to repeat how much fun they had and their desire to be a Water Buffalo.





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As many of you have seen, my daughter kept me on the dance floor for a large part of the night. It was equally pleasing to see Noble Mark and his daughter and the children of Noble Daniel and Lady Birgit spending time on the dance floor as well. The feeling was topped with the inclusion of our children on the Camel Walk. As the foundation of Shriners International rests upon Masonic principles, the inclusion of our children is the future of Masonry. They are our future Brothers and Sisters, our future Masons, Shriners, and Daughters of the Nile. Including them in our Masonic life makes us all better as humans and helps to secure the future of our fraternity. Emirat Shriners are truly moving forward in the future with its programs and Units and with it should include more of our families. If you haven't been to a Potentate's Ball in a while, it would be great to see you in November with your families. However, please do not wait until November to attend an Emirat event. [Register](#) your family now and attend the ACGL & Emirat Shriners BBQ Family Day held at Hotel Arts, Ludwigstraße 4, 68789 St. Leon-Rot at 15:00 hrs on 24 June 2023. I hope to see you and your family there.

I led this article by saying what a great day it is to be an Emirat Shriner but in reflection and by reviewing the Shriners Children's mission "to change and improve lives," how could any Shriner not say it is a great day to be a Shriner every day.

Noble Cameron J. Davis
Oriental Guide



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Recorder

Dear Nobles, I greet you well and hope you and your family are heathy and safe. As I write this, we have just finished another ceremonial, this one in Romania, where we created 11 more Nobles and reinstated 9 Nobles. This makes the total so far this year of 51 creations. As you have already seen in this edition of the Kamel Tales we have had three very successful ceremonials so far and we are fast approaching 700 members. If all things remain equal, we should be able to surpass 700 members before the end of the year.

As you all know and have heard talk about it numerous times. Creating the Nobles is not the problem, keeping them is. Although the numbers have come down over the years, we are still suspending 20-25 Nobles a year. This is not for a lack of trying; we contact every Noble about why they have not remitted their dues and do they still want to remain an Emirat Shriner. A lot just forgot, some cannot pay due to job loss or something along those lines, normally someone from the Divan pays for them. We also have some that just simply do not want to be a Shriner anymore, and that is ok, it is not for everyone. My point in writing this is that it should not be the Divan that is contacting the Nobles the first line signer should with follow up from the clubs. Please help by starting early this year to contact Nobles to ensure they have paid their dues.

Hopefully you all have received the link to the Potentate of Emirat Shrine and Grand Master of the American Canadian Grand Lodge Picnic on 24 June 2023 in Saint Leon Rot.

As a reminder the plastic dues cards as we know are going away, not sure when but they are going away. With the way Shriners International is pushing to save funds, I would venture to say that this is the last year of dues cards and stickers. As we all know they have been pushing everyone to get the My FezCard App and register so you can have your dues card on your phone. If you do not have it on your phone yet, you should download it now and register. If you need help let me know.

Hopefully everyone is receiving the calendar of Emirat Shrine Ceremonials that I am sending out. As you can see by the calendar we are having a lot of ceremonials this year in different places, so please come out and support what you can and enjoy the fun and fellowship.

Ill Paul M. Curran, PP
Recorder



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Treasurer

The Treasurer's Corner is a vital hub of financial management within organizations like Shriners and Freemasonry. As esteemed institutions rooted in philanthropy and fraternity, they rely on dedicated treasurers to ensure the prudent use of funds and maintain financial integrity.

Firstly, treasurers in Shriners and Freemasonry play a pivotal role in managing the financial resources that support their charitable endeavors. They are responsible for creating and monitoring budgets, diligently allocating funds to various programs and initiatives. By adopting a strategic approach, treasurers ensure that the organization's resources are maximized and effectively contribute to their noble causes, such as providing medical care to children or supporting community service projects.

Furthermore, treasurers uphold the values of transparency and accountability within Shriners and Freemasonry. They maintain accurate financial records, meticulously documenting income, and expenses. This commitment to meticulous bookkeeping ensures that all financial activities align with the organization's guidelines and regulations, building trust among members and stakeholders.

In conclusion, the Treasurer's Corner serves as a vital component within the structures of Shriners and Freemasonry. By skillfully managing finances, treasurers support the philanthropic missions of these organizations, promoting compassion, brotherhood, and the betterment of society.

Noble Tarik Eker
Treasurer



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Legion of Honor

Who Are the Members of the Legion of Honor you ask? We are Shriners who have served or are still serving in the Armed Forces of our respective countries. Honorably discharged or retired, volunteer or draftee, officer or enlisted; we are all proud to be doing or having done whatever our countries needed to keep our countries safe. This includes service in our country's Army, Navy, Air Forces, Coast Guards, Merchant Marines, etc. or in their Stand-By or Reserve components. The Unit commands a high degree of respect from most organizations for their unselfish service in defending the very freedoms we experience every day.

We are a marching unit but mainly provide the Color Guard for all Emirat Shine Events as well as ACGL events. Each Flag that is escorted is done so by a native of that country who serves in the Legion. The members are very proud of what they have done, and some continue to do.

The objective of the Legion of Honor Unit is to foster a spirit of patriotism, love of our countries and our flags, and to perpetuate the memory of those who made the supreme sacrifice in the service of their country. If you would like more information about the Legion of Honor, please reach out to Ill Sir Paul Curran at pgmacgl@me.com

The Legion of Honor is looking for a new Commander of the Colors, Noble Anthony has been doing a great job for years and we wish he would stay on, but his focus needs to be on getting ready to take over as the Potentate of Emirat Shrine and the duties and responsibilities it entails. If you would like to be considered, please let Ill Sir Paul M. Curran know.

Noble Anthony Ward
Commander of the Colors

Hospital Coordinator

Dear Nobles All,

The Hospital and Transportation teams have been very busy receiving and processing applications for new children as well as moving the current children under our care to and from Shriner Hospitals for Children (HSC). We have been working well with the team in Tampa and moving some things along. We have a lot of follow-ups, emails, and late phone calls with the team there and the result is the care and treatment of our children in the hospitals.

Over the past 2 years we have accomplished the following:

New patients' applications received: 10 from Turkey, 1 from Greece, 2 from Romania
Applications accepted by SHC: 12
Kids Moved to and from SHC: 3 (Zoi, Khalid, Safiya)
Kids travelling in the next 6-12 months: 4 confirmed (Dorka, Cristian, Bianca, Laurentiu)

Unfortunately, we had one potential patient that was not accepted. The doctors decided that the child was not eligible for care due to no need for surgical intervention at the time of application. In cases like this, the family has the opportunity to reapply for care in 6 months as the status of the child may change over time.





Of the 3 children that went to SHC, they are back home and doing well. We are still taking applications for new patients. If you know of any potential patients or would like more information about how the process works, please contact me at anthonyward_1@outlook.com or our Recorder Ill Sir Paul pgmacgl@me.com

YITF,

Noble Anthony Ward, Assistant Rabban Hospital Coordinator

Emirat Shrine Clown Unit officially chartered.



At the Spring Ceremonial 2023 the 13th of May in Stuttgart, Ill Sir Frank Ullmann and Ill Sir Paul Curran signed the Bylaws and Charter of Emirat Shriners Clown Unit, and we are now officially chartered.

At the current time we are 68 members (including Ladies).

We're not just clowns, we represent all types of kid-friendly entertainment among Emirat Shriners. Ladies and children are expressly encouraged to become members.

The officers of the clown unit are:

President Noble Sven Bremer

Vice-President Noble Andreas Leibner

Secretary Ill Sir Zeljko Gschwend

Treasurer Noble Dominik Koehler

If you also want to be a member and support our Clown Unit, contact Noble Sven bremersven@gmail.com

Cyprus Shriners Outreach Clinic 23rd to 28th of October 2023

Dear Nobles, Ladies, Clowns, and other heroes.

The Clown Unit has requested permission from the Potentate to attend the Cyprus Shriners Outreach Clinic in Cyprus from the 23rd to the 28th of October 2023. Here we will entertain the approximately 300 children and their families who will be treated and assessed these days. Permission from the Potentate to participate is currently pending.





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During these days, a team of doctors from Shriners Children will come to Nicosia on Cyprus to carry out preliminary examinations and treat children from neighboring countries.

In recent years, around 300 children have been examined within a week. These children like to travel with one or two relatives. That means there are about 800 people spread over the week on site.

Since we as a clown unit do not normally have the great opportunity to organize something together, this is a very good opportunity to put a smile on the children's faces together as a clown unit.

Travel, accommodation, meals, and activities are at your own expense. If you want to take a few days' vacation with meaning, please let me know as soon as possible. Depending on how many of you are interested, imagine 2-3 hours of morning activities, 2-3 hours of afternoon activities. Activities can be anything from balloon animals, rock painting, playing games, face painting, etc. The challenge is that the children are usually not as mobile as others of the same age and that there can certainly be language challenges.

The activities should therefore be simple, universal, and of course child friendly. You don't necessarily have to take part in a full clown outfit: a red nose, a funny hat, that's usually enough. You don't have to do any skits either, it's more of a kind of play therapy and activity for the children while they're waiting - and this also relieves the parents/relatives. So rather play. However, if you can do tricks, you are of course very welcome.

Personally, we take a week off, find a cheap place to stay, entertain the kids during the day and cozy up with the nobles and ladies at night. Our current Imperial Potentate Imp. Sir Kenny Craven, and First Lady Jennifer have stated that they will also be present.

Would you like to join us? Then please send me an email as soon as possible. Noble Sven bremer.sven@gmail.com



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The lineage of the Ancient and Honorable Order of Turtles date back to the Second World War when the late Captain Hugh P. McGowan and several other pilots of the U.S. Army Air Corps 8th Air Force stationed in England, sought a humorous way to relieve stress and blow off a little steam. Formed as "an honorable drinking fraternity composed of ladies and gentlemen of the highest morals and good character, who are never vulgar," the Turtles quickly took flight to what would eventually spread throughout the VFW and American Legion posts. The Turtles even made their way into colleges and high schools throughout the United States following the war. Today, the Turtles can be found associated with some of the same organizations as well as Moose and Elk Clubs and various Masonic organizations like the Shriners.

Led by Turtle legends like Don Ellis and Greg Anderson, the Turtles have existed in our jurisdiction for a long time, however, have never officially consolidated with a unified purpose, mission, or vision. We are proud to say, all this changed on May 13, 2023, when the Emirat Pond, Ancient and Honorable Order of Turtles was officially chartered by Emirat Shriners with 34 Charter Members. Our Pond formed with similar idea to Captain McGowan, focusing on fun and fellowship while concentrating on a very important mission – raising funds for the Emirat Shriners Transportation Fund. We are officially a volunteer, unincorporated association formed for fraternal purposes and the promotion of good fellowship among the Turtles and members of Shriners International. Our motto remains unchanged because, "Turtles are bright eyed, bushy tailed, fearless, and unafraid folk with a fighter pilot attitude. They think clean, have fun a lot, and recognize the fact that you never get anyplace worthwhile in life unless you stick your neck out."

If you are interested in becoming a Turtle or you are already a Turtle and would like to join our Pond, visit us at <https://emirat-turtles.org/home/registerturtle/> and submit your registration. We do what we do for the kids, and we have fun doing it so – come on in, the water is nice!

Are you a Turtle?

Cameron J. Davis
Master Turtle
Emirat Pond





Loyal Order of Water Buffaloes Quarry 194



Pictured above the first creations of many to come of the Loyal Order of Water Buffaloes, Quarry 194

The Loyal Order of Water Buffaloes is a very exclusive and men-only fraternal organization operating within Bedrock with a long and dedicated history in the Flintstones franchise. During the Spring Ceremonial, Illustrious Potentate Frank Ullmann installed the officers of Quarry 194, Loyal Order of Water Buffaloes. Created as part of the Emirat Clown Unit, the Loyal Order of Water Buffaloes is a perfect opportunity for Nobles, as well as their ladies (in disguise of course) and adult children to raise funds while enjoying some hilarious Degree work. Counting the officers, we created a total of 36 Buffaloes, and a great time was had by all in attendance. A portion of the initiation fee from each Water Buffalo (\$20) is donated to the International Shrine Clown Association Sneaker Fund. The Sneaker Fund is a fund-raising activity for Shriners Children Burn Research and operated only during Shrine events. We look forward to adding new Buffaloes to our Quarry at the Fall Ceremonial!





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Pictured are, Emirat Nobles, Ladies of the Nobles, Doctors, and Nurses from the hospital and last but not least friends of Sicilia Shrine Club, Italian Police.

Sicilia Shrine Club Superhero's

The Sicilia Shrine Club organized many Fun and Fellowship Events in 2023. Our Marvel Superheroes visited the Pediatric wards of various Sicilian Hospitals putting smiles on children's faces. The Club video "Cooking with Special Needs Children" was selected by Shriners International out of 108 submissions that entered the Fun and Fellowship Competition to compete in the first round. At the end of the first round their Cooking with Special Needs Children was voted to go on as one of the finalists in the competition. Because of your voting we have been in first place for the last three weeks. The competition and voting are ongoing so please vote for us, as often as possible.

The Club is planning to initiate 10 ladies on the Daughters of the Nile during the Emirat initiation and Potentate Ball that will be held at Palazzo Villarosa in Bagheria (PA), Sicily on September 30





The Stuttgart Shrine Club

The Stuttgart Shrine Club encompasses the Baden-Württemberg, Stuttgart area and is officially located in Ludwigsburg, Germany with a current membership of 24 Nobles. Although we have not participated in any major events recently, we are hopeful for the future. While we value our Club members located in the United States and elsewhere, geographical demographics have played a hard role in our ability to be physically active. The future, however, is looking bright. With our latest two Ceremonials, our membership has grown by seven members, giving us a total of 12 local members in the club. As such, congratulations are due to our newest members created as Nobles in the Fall of 2022, Nobles Sami, Ansgar, Stephen, William, and Gabriel and those created in the Spring of 2023, Nobles Yasar and Mirel. We also extend our personal congratulations to all the newly created Shriners during the 2023 Spring Ceremonial and welcome you all to Emirat Shriners and Shriners International.

The members of the Stuttgart Shrine Club look forward to supporting the various Units of Emirat Shriners and the Temple as we leap into new possibilities resulting from our Temple Unit growth. It is our hope that we can assist our Temple by living up to the Shriners motto - "No Man Stands So Tall as When He Stoops to Help a Child." We are Having Fun and Helping Kids...!!!

Cameron J. Davis
President





1985 Wiesbaden International Shrine Club



Members of the 1985 Wiesbaden International Shrine Club and Luftbrücke Lodge 838 with the chairman of the Brückenschule charity board Mrs. Katja Gregor.

In January of 2023 Brothers from Luftbrücke Lodge 838 of the American Canadian Grand Lodge (ACGL) and Nobles from Emirat Shrine partnered to make a much-needed donation of 1000€ Euro to the Brückenschule in Wiesbaden. They did the same in 2022, Luftbrücke 838 and WAISC 1958 donated 3000€. Luftbrücke Lodge 838 has a unique relationship with Emirat Shrine as 75% of the Brothers of the Lodge are also Nobles of Emirat Shrine. As such they do a lot of fundraising activities together and donate to worthy causes.

One such event, which was not a fund raiser but public awareness event, was cosponsoring a booth at the 50th Anniversary of the Berlin Airlift. Together with other Lodges in the ACGL and the Scottish Rite to man the booth, which by all accounts was the busiest booth at the event. They not only manned a booth, but they also distributed information on the Shrine, Scottish Rite, Masonry they ran the cotton candy machine and ran the Glücksrad machine. Last but not least they sponsored a BBQ for over 75 people from the pilots of the aircraft, ground crew and members of the military that planned, organized, and oversaw the three-day event.

Noble Alberto Gockov
President





Daughters of the Nile



Ladies of the DON during the Ladies Event at the Emirat Shrine Spring Ceremonial

On Saturday, 13 May 2023, we started our lovely ladies' program at 10:30 at the hotel and went to the "Van Gogh Experience" in Ludwigsburg, everyone enjoyed this amazing exhibition. After this we had a nice lunch and could chat about it, the Shriners and discussed information about the Daughters of the Nile.

In the morning before the tour a lot of ladies, no sorry, people with beards participated in the Loyal Order of The Water Buffalos initiation.

In the afternoon Lady Pia was initiated as a Daughter of the Nile.

And of course, the Ladies were selling raffle tickets at the ball at night.

The Daughters of the Nile made a generous donation of over 2.000 € for the Emirat Shiner Transportation Fund. Fun & Fellowship is also very important to the ladies, and everyone is looking forward to the next meetings. If a lady wants to help us with the ladies' program or wants information about the Daughters of the Nile, please feel free to contact us @ ger-don@outlook.com.

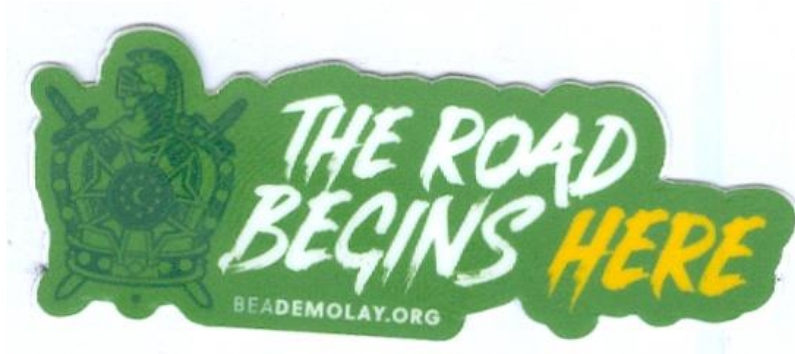




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Putting Family Into The Shriner Family

Blazing a Path Forward.



DeMolay is a start of a Masonic and Shriners family Legacy.

Shriners stand for Family.

It would be nice to have our sons and their friends in our Family.

We have at least one Shriner that came to the ACGL and EMIRAT Shriners because it was his wish that his son should become a DeMolay. With that contact he decided to join Free Masonry and the Shrine.

There are many Masons here in Germany that started their Road in DeMolay. I am a member of a Family with three generations of ACGL Masons all with a connection to DeMolay.

For nearly 100 years, DeMolay has been enriching the lives of young men by providing a fun-filled platform that unconsciously develops key life skills such as public speaking, fundraising, and event planning.

In DeMolay the Road to ... Begins here.

Leadership, in DeMolay where the young men elect their own officers, you can learn your first leadership skills.

Public speaking, in DeMolay they learn to speak to groups, first just the members in the Chapter, but then to other groups.

Business, in DeMolay they plan Chapter events, and fundraising for carry the events.

Life skills, DeMolay unconsciously develops key life skills, according to Google:

What Are the Most Important Life Skills for Kids to Learn?

- 1.Focus and Self-Control
- 2.Perspective-Taking
- 3.Communication
- 4.Making Connections





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5.Critical Thinking

6.Taking on Challenges

7.Self-Directed, Engaged Learning

DeMolay provides this with fun-filled platform of young men in their own age.

The DeMolay journey begins with the chapter, each a unique experience built around the same high values and leadership opportunities that have set DeMolay apart since its inception.

What can you do to assist this part of the Shriners Family?

DeMolay is open to any young man from 12 years of age till he is 21 years, and further as a Senior DeMolay. DeMolay is looking for these young men. Your sons and neighbors, think about asking if they would like to join us. First for an event or two and if they wish then they can become a member.

Adult support A DeMolay Chapters is run by the active DeMolays with the support of Advisors. Think about becoming an Advisor for DeMolay. It requires a small training course and as little or as much time as you can give.

The one Chapter in Germany is sponsored by EMIRAT Shrine Center. They helped us get our Charter.

The next step is one of the hardest; dig into your pocket see what is left after your Family, your Lodge, and the Shriner's Children; DeMolay Deutschland Chapter needs monetary support. Every cent count: it is for our Shriner Family your family DeMolay.

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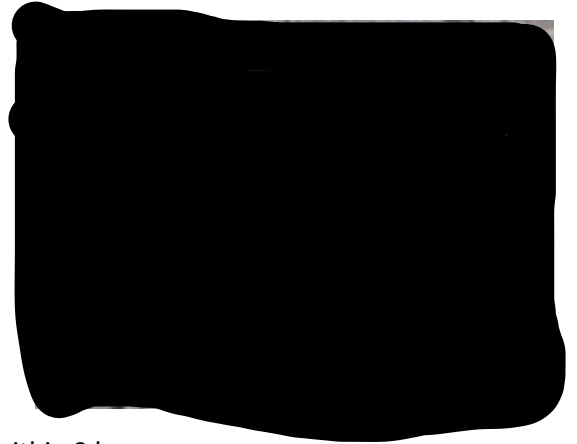
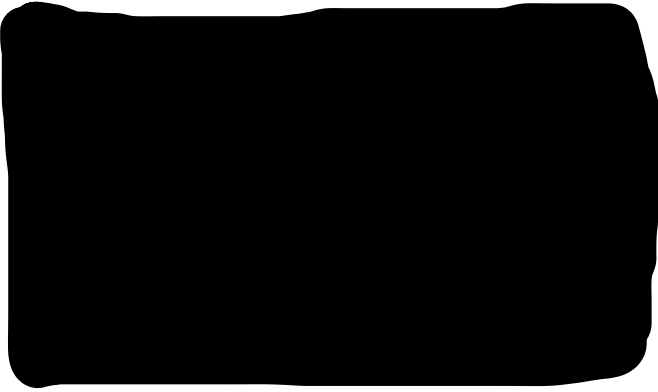
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A SHRINER WORKING IN THE FIELD



On February 6, 2023, two major earthquakes hit Southeast Turkey within 9 hours.

11 provinces were affected by these earthquakes and over 51.000 people have lost their lives. This is the officially announced figure, but all evidence shows that the actual casualties are over 100 000!

13 million people were affected and left homeless, thousands of houses were destroyed, hundreds of thousands of people were injured -many of them being children under "18".

As Shriners we had to be active and help them as much as we can. Thus, as an Emirat Shriner Noble Refik Kutluer immediately started to work.

The most important task was to reach the severely injured and mainly amputated children under the age of 18. To enable this, an announcement was distributed through all possible network channels.

Noble Refik was able to reach over 30 amputated children and started to prepare their dossier for Shriners Hospitals Children. Daily communications with SHC and the families, all paperwork preparations continue, and 8 children will be sent to USA SHC very soon.

Sahra, 10 years old, female, fasciotomy is present in the right and left legs, whose %90 of the left leg will be lost, she has been accepted at Boston Shriner's Hospital.

Mehtez, 9 years old, male, his both legs are amputated, he has been accepted at Chicago Shriner's Hospital

Yakup, 13 years old, male, left leg is amputated, has graft on the right leg, He has been accepted at Boston Shriner's Hospital.

Cenk, 17 years old male, right arm is amputated.

Tolga, 16 years old male, both of his legs are amputated.

Bedirhan, 12 years old male, one of his legs is amputated and the other has fasciotomy.

İlayda, 17 years old female, has been saved after 80 hours, her right foot is amputated, and she has been accepted to Spokane Shriner's Hospital.





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Deniz, 16 years old female, her both legs are amputated, She is accepted to Philadelphia Shriner's Hospital. Our beautiful 16-year-old Deniz, who was rescued from the rubble in Iskenderun, Hatay, has been a scholarship student at Iskenderun Private Bashkent Schools for 3 years. She has always been the joy of her class and school, and now she has become our new "Hera". She lost her father and brother in the earthquake. She and her mother were pulled out of the rubble after 52 hours. Both were taken directly to intensive care. Her mother's condition is relatively better, but unfortunately both of Deniz's legs had to be amputated above the knee. The reason we call Deniz "Hera" (The Mythological Woman God who is the symbol of strength) is because, for a 16-year-old who lost her father, brother, and feet, she stands so strong that she gives morale to others when we should be giving it to her.

(The pictures of these poor children are not to be shared as you won't be able to hold back your tears looking at them)

THIS IS A TALE OF THE KELOGLAN "BALD BOY" SHRINER OF TURKEY



Is it a coincidence? Noble Refik had attended the Imperial Session in Minnesota USA last year and walked at the Parade dressing up as the Keloğlan (Bald Boy). Keloğlan is a well-known character in Turkish folklore. He is bald from birth, is a clever and lucky character. He represents the Anatolian people who can have big dreams, who are virtuous, prudent, a little bald, a little romantic and very active. He is a type representing the people with his positive and negative characteristics in the Turkish fairy tale narrative tradition. His main characteristics are his honesty, bravery, courage, benevolence, generosity, and cunningness. As the events unfold, he overcomes difficulties unexpectedly for his age and stature.

Likewise, Noble Refik Kutluer, as an Emirat Shriner, continues to work in the field by himself, - despite all obstacles-, in close contact with Ill. Sir Paul and Shriner's International. Ambassador and the Deputy Chief of Mission of USA Embassy in Ankara are helping with the visa process for the children and their guardians.

Noble Refik Says: "The encouraging messages and grateful statements to the work I am doing are helping me to overcome all obstacles. I continue to work intensively for our mutual aim that is to be able to see a smile on the faces of these poor children, once again."

The number of earthquake victims, children to be sent to SHC may increase as there are hundreds (maybe thousands) of children waiting for our help, most of them being amputated.

The "Bald Boy" does not only represent the poor children who were severely injured and lost their limbs at the disastrous earthquake, but, also, it symbolically, represents the Turkish Shriner who works for them.



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Emirat Shriners from Germany during the 2022 Imperial Session Parade in Minneapolis, MN.



VW (Noble) Celil Senman

Message for the District Master of Berlin-Brandenburg

There are several Masonic organizations and activities outside the "blue" lodges. To introduce some of these to the Brothers in the Berlin-Brandenburg District of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Germany, the District Master, Noble Celil Senman, invited our Ill Potentate Frank Ullmann to introduce the Shriners and their goals. For many of the brothers present, who are also involved in charitable activities, the Shriners were unknown, thus exactly the right addressees.

Ill Potentate Frank succeeded in arousing interest in the Shriners not only charmingly through the fun factor, but through the heart by helping sick, needy children. This combination is unique, so that several brothers inquisitively asked questions and positively assessed the work of the Shriners, which was also documented by one or the other donation into the piggy bank of the Ill Potentate.

The conclusion of the event is, true to Johann Wolfgang von Goethe, "Do well and talk about it" - it is important that we create and take advantage of more opportunities to present the Shriners and their charitable purpose to the community. On the sidelines of the event, consideration was also given to taking the initiative to establish a Shrine Club in Berlin-Brandenburg.



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