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MESSAGE FROM OUR POTENTATE

Nobles All - Greetings

As the year begins to wind down, there are still a few activities left and we asking for your support and participation.

Saturday, December 1 - Holiday Party Honoring Unit Directors - Suburban **Collection Showplace**

Children's Child Care / Drivers Appreciation Christmas Celebration

Final touches are being put on the combined Christmas Celebration with our Shrine Children and the Drivers and Attendants that get the Children to their hospital visits. The event is planned for Sunday, December 9, at the Shrine Center. Is there any better way to wish our Shrine Children a Merry Christmas than being with them? We will have the opportunity to see the children outside of the hospital setting and put a smile on their faces. Isn't that what the magic of Christmas is all about?

Beginning of Thanksgiving in America

In 1789, following a proclamation issued by President George Washington, America

celebrated its first Day of Thanksgiving to God under its new constitution. That same year, the Protestant Episcopal Church, of which President Washington was a member, announced that the first Thursday in November would become its regular day for giving thanks, "unless another day be appointed by the civil authorities." Yet, despite these early national proclamations, official Thanksgiving observances usually occurred only at the State level.

Much of the credit for the adoption of a later ANNUAL national Thanksgiving Day may be attributed to Mrs. Sarah Joseph Hale, the editor of Godey's Lady's Book. For thirty years, she promoted the idea of a national Thanksgiving Day, contacting President after President until President Abraham Lincoln responded in 1863 by setting aside the last Thursday of November as a national Day of Thanksgiving. Over the next seventy-five years, Presidents followed Lincoln's precedent, annually declaring a national Thanksgiving Day. Then, in 1941, Congress permanently established the fourth Thursday of each November as a national holiday.

A look at the meaning of Thanksgiving

With Thanksgiving Day just a few weeks away, I thought it might be interesting to take a close look at the meaning of thanksgiving. According to Webster's New World College Dictionary, thanksgiving is defined as the act of giving thanks. Okay, so what is thanks? According to Webster, thanks is defined as an expression of gratitude, grateful acknowledgement of something received by or done for someone. Thanks is an expression of gratitude, not an expression of selfishness, which unfortunately, we have all gotten too accustomed of doing. You know, we live in the 'Me Society.' It is all about me, me, me. Nevertheless, as we draw closer and closer to the Thanksgiving holiday, I trust that we will all take a little time and reflect on all we have to be thankful for.

As the holiday fast approaches, I got to wondering how many people really understand how thankful we truly are. We are truly a blessed society. I know there are people who are less fortunate than others are, but we have got it pretty good. We live in a state that is blessed by wonderful, natural resources. Take a break from the fast paced 'Me Society' and enjoy the afternoon driving through this beautiful State looking at the majestic colors of fall. In addition, we have people living among us who truly want to make a difference in our lives. We live among heroes who have given the ultimate sacrifice so that I can write this article and you can read it in the peace and quiet of your home.

Finally, we need to take a close look at our own personal lives, and put everything in perspective. No, I am not talking about how many cars we have, how much money we've made or will make, or how big a house we live in. These are materialistic items that can be taken away in the blink of an eye. I am talking about the things that matter the most our friends and family.

Therefore, this Thanksgiving, as we sit down to sinfully stuff ourselves with more food than any one person deserves, let us take a few minutes and be thankful. I know I am.

Until we meet again

Bob O'Brien Potentate





Robert O'Brien **Potentate**



The Black Camel

On behalf of the officers and members of Moslem Shriners, we express our sincere sympathy to the families and friends of these departed Nobles.

Dennis Menzer Barney Neill Frank Benson Edward Boggs Jr. Burl Brown Kopen Kahn **Billy Napier** Harry Stark Saul Waldman Lynwood Branch **Eugene Green** George Willershausen Jr. Leo Yesayian Jr.



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Attention Moslem Shriners!

Illustrious Sir Robert O'Brien, Potentate of Moslem Shrine



has called for: The Stated Meeting and Election of **Officers for Moslem Shriners** To held on Monday, December 12, 2018 at 7:00 pm at the Moslem Shrine Temple Entry to the meeting will require possession of a 2018 Moslem Shriners Dues card. So Ordered: Robert O'Brien, Potentate **Attested to: Robert Pate, PP Recorder**

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DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE

Eighteen of us traveled to Frankenmuth, meeting several of our ladies from Saginaw. We enjoyed lunch and had a very nice afternoon together.

Thank you Darlene Baer for organizing and planning the A - M Ladies of the Household lunch for the November Stated Session and Ceremonial. Congratulations to Bonnie Graff, daughter of Betty Hagerty, who is so proud that Bonnie is joining Daughters of the Nile.

We had a nice turnout for our Shriners Hospital Toy Walk. Thanks to everyone for the special gifts. The kids in the Shriners Hospitals will enjoy them. We will have a final report at a later date.

Our Annual Holiday Tea is on Saturday December 8th from 1-3 P.M. in the Nobles Room at the Shrine Center. Tickets are \$15.00. Call me at 313-410-3932 or Pr. Recorder Mary Kinning at 248-582-0886 for reservations. Come celebrate the Holiday Season with us.

Remember to get tickets for the Shriners Handmade Quilt at the Shrine office for the drawing on December 9th 2018 at the Child Care Christmas Party.

Our last session of the year is December 10th with lunch at 11 A.M. in the Nobles Room, followed by our Stated Session. We have another chance to enjoy the decorations at Sandy's on the Beech in Redford. Lunch is scheduled for December 12th at 11:30.

Enjoy the Holiday Season,

Sheila McWilliams Queen





By the time everyone reads this we will be in the Holiday season, one of the most enjoyable parties that we all attend is the Shriner kids and Drivers Party on Dec 9th this year. This party gives our kids some early Christmas fun and a big thank you to our childcare drivers.

This party couldn't take place without all the volunteers and donations from the Units and Clubs it is a great time and the help is very welcome.

In closing I would like to thank everyone over the last 5 years for their help and dedication to help our childcare program it has been a very rewarding experience to be the Childcare Director.

I want to give a special Thank You to Pam York, I have said it many times and its true Pam is the Heart of our Childcare program.

Frank Dougherty Director of Childcare



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