

December 2020

Tripoli Shriners Tattler



*Merry
Christmas
and
Happy
New Year
to one
and
all!*

Potentate's Message

Rick Kingstad

Nobles, Ladies, friends and families,

Here it is, December. What a year this has been. Started out well and as we all know a dark time on the planet came out and changed everything. Even though things changed we have managed to move on and share our Shrine message. The events, parades and gatherings were different but still we conveyed who we are and what we do.

Christmas and the New Year are racing toward us as usual. I haven't finished shopping. I did start though. Checked the toilet paper section at Walmart yesterday and, NO, you won't be getting that this year.

Lady Bonnie and I have pretty much recovered from COVID. It was quite the experience. We are truly blessed by the fact that we did not need hospitalization. Shrine families are having to deal with this as well. We extend our prayers to all of you who have suffered or are dealing with this. Lady Bonnie and I urge you all to use care and caution as this virus is extremely easy to catch.

We sure have enjoyed being a part of Tripoli this year! It hasn't been quite what we expected, but it sure has been interesting. The Twin Cities opened a new Children's Clinic.



Looking back in old Tattlers I found this. On Sept. 25, 1922, the cornerstone of the Twin Cities Hospital was laid with Masonic ceremonies by the Grand Master of Minnesota. The new clinic is truly one of the big events of 2020. Last winter I had the opportunity to see the work being done as it neared completion and it is quite a beautiful place. The old, replaced by new. This is what we are about. Moving forward through all sorts of issues to make a better life for children. The issues of this year only serve to make us more determined to keep trudging on and do what Shriners do - help kids and have fun!

Potentate
Rick Kingstad





Black Camel

These we do not forget.

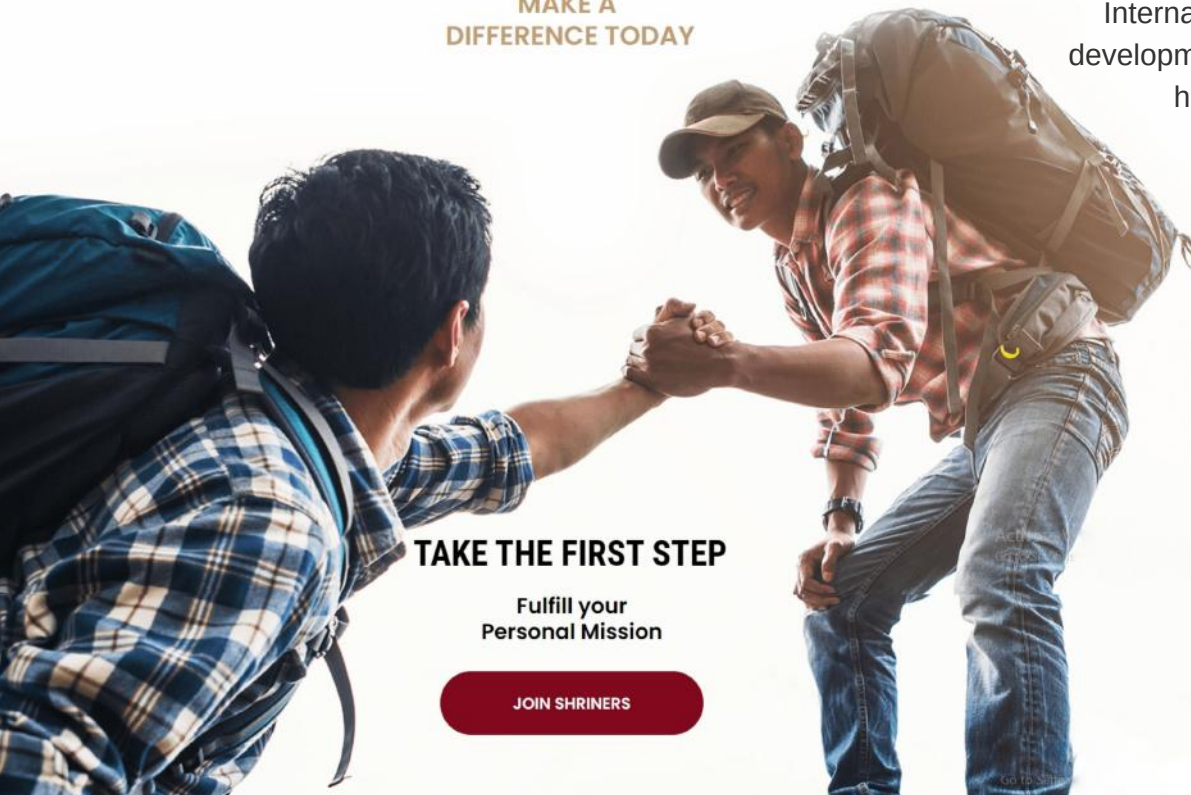
In Memoriam

Our beloved Brethren live on in new and more glorious life and service. We carry their influence in our lives and their memories in our hearts. They are not forgotten.

Name	Date	City	Age	Member Since
Douglas P Stewart	12/24/19	Woodrift, WI	78	05/31/2003
Robert J Klatt	03/26/20	Dousman, WI	97	06/11/1977
Daniel L Mathson	04/27/20	Brookfield, WI	94	11/28/1953
Thomas E Prasil	03/01/20	Paradise Valley, AZ	78	05/08/1971

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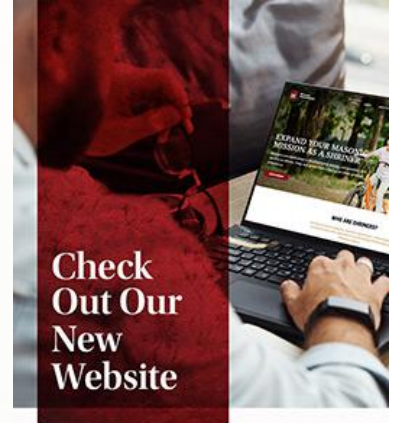
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After months of collaboration with Shriners International leadership, membership development, designers and writers, we have officially launched the new beashrinernow.com website.

Introducing the fraternity to a new generation of Masons

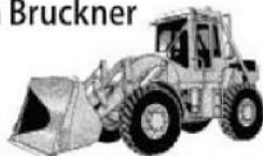


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William G Hahnfeldt
Jonathan Ziegler

12/02
Paul E Davies
David L Spatcher
Richard J Torstenson Jr
Charles Alby

12/03
John J Slazas
James M Doherty

12/05
Kenneth J Savadil
John G Gamache
Daniel C Christie

12/06
Ronald E Van Veghel
Joseph Brunk

12/08
Jerry Slater

12/09
Richard M Wood
Brandon Queen

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Lowell H Scott1

12/11
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12/12
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Daniel J Stujenske

12/13
Jerry A Halbrooks

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Steven J Winters

12/15
John F Feltz
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Mark Halliburton
Nicholas J DeStefanis

12/16
Werner Rueckemann
Gary R Jablonski

12/17
Malcolm Creighton
William S Daniel
Richard C Gutowski
Bryce Ripp

12/18
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Jeffrey L Delaney

12/19
Walter F Neumann
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James J Burton
Richard A Pfeiffer

12/20
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Brian M Swartwout

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Thomas J Freuck
Dennis P Webster
Geert Henk Touw
Michael T Tiernan

12/22
John A Sandor
Robert C Lory
Donald E Kuehn

12/23
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Lee R Hollenbeck
David M Bugajski

12/24
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Neal W Jochims
Robert D Hall
Richard J Young
Steven D Bruckner
Gary T Sorensen

12/25
Bruce T Haubrich
John R Godfrey
Michael D Consiglio

12/26
Robert S Drenk

12/27
Martin A Seitz

12/28
Edward L Gorsuch
Mark S Patzke

12/29
Ronald R Buettner
Chris A Luttrell

12/30
Richard E Bayerlein
Gene R Halvorson

12/31
Gerald R Slagoski Jr
Peter J Kyriazes

Chaplain's Corner

Ron Hack



Happy Holidays!

As you read this, Thanksgiving will be a just a delicious memory and the hustle and bustle of the Winter Holidays will be upon us. But this year, the holidays will be different for many of us. Usually, holidays are an opportunity to gather with family and friends, young and old, putting aside the busyness of our lives, to relive our traditions and make new memories. This year we may not be able to gather in person, we may gather virtually via Zoom or FaceTime or may not be able to visit with loved ones at all. As in every year, our loved ones may no longer be with us to celebrate the holidays. Despite all the beautiful holiday displays and lights, the holidays may seem gloomy this year. And yet, themes of Faith, Hope, Love and Thankfulness are still found in the celebrations of these holidays: Our Faith in a Supreme Being and his healing presence; Hope for peace on Earth and a better tomorrow; Love of family, friends, neighbors, and all of God's creatures and Thankfulness and gratitude for all that we have in our life.

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope." {Romans 15:13}

So, no matter which winter holiday(s) you celebrate, my hope for you is the same: Joy in your life, love in your heart, healing and peace in your world this Holiday Season and in the coming New Year.

Heavenly Father, during this 2020 holiday season, please strengthen our hearts, and remind us to encourage one another when the troubles of life start to overwhelm us. Please guard our hearts against depression, anger and fear. Help us to see the good in this world and be the good in this world. Give us the strength to rise up each day and fight against the struggles which seek to weigh us down. Amen.

Best wishes for a safe and blessed Holiday Season to you and your loved ones!

Ron

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Pediatric Orthotic and Prosthetic Services (POPS) – Midwest, LLC, at the Chicago Shriners Hospital is now offering a new lighter-weight hand prosthetic for children ages 12 and above. M-Fingers has been available for adults but they now offer a pediatric version of the artificial partial hand. Shriners Hospitals is the first hospital in Chicago to offer this carbon fiber technology that is specifically designed to fit children.

Often children who are missing some or all of their fingers may choose not to get an artificial hand because the devices can be heavy or uncomfortable to wear. Existing lighter-weight versions may be cosmetic in nature and not functional. The pediatric M-Fingers device is custom-made for each patient using lightweight carbon fiber. The "fingers" are activated through a patient's wrist movement. Patients are also allowed to customize the color scheme of their M-fingers. The two patients who have received M-fingers so far said it is "very cool." Both were not previously wearing a prosthetic but desired to have more hand functionality to pursue hobbies and everyday activities they enjoy. Nationally, less than 20 children have received a pediatric M-fingers device so far.

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POPS – Midwest, LLC, at Shriners Hospitals for Children – Chicago is an in-house service, providing care for our patients who need prosthetic and orthotic devices. From infancy to 18 years of age, the experienced and certified POPS staff provides upper and lower orthotic and prosthetic services. The staff also provides spinal orthotic services for a wide spectrum of orthopaedic conditions such as congenital and acquired deformities including scoliosis and those caused by disease, infection, sports injuries and trauma.

The orthopaedic care at the Chicago Shriners Hospital of M-fingers patients and other patients with limb differences is overseen by attending physician Jeffrey Ackman, M.D., a pediatric orthopaedic surgeon, who manages the largest clinic in the Chicagoland area for children with limb differences, amputations, prosthetics and orthotics. Onsite occupational therapy for M-finger patients may also be available. **All care and services at Shriners Hospitals for Children are provided regardless of families' ability to pay. To refer a family to our orthopaedic surgery care, call 773-385-KIDS (5437) or visit shrinerschicago.org.**





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American Red Cross

Day of Donations Blood Drive

Monday, Dec. 28

8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Treatments don't stop over the holidays for patients relying on transfusions as part of their care.

As a thank you for your generosity, all participating donors will receive a Donor bag with a Winter Wonders Admission pass, a long-sleeved Red Cross holiday T-shirt, snack crisps from Angelic Bakehouse, coupon for a free pint of Cedar Crest Ice Cream, coupon for a free Nothing Bundt Cakes bundtlet and snack bars from Supernola, while supplies last.*

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Who Brought Christmas Trees to America?

Most 19th-century Americans found Christmas trees an oddity. The first record of one being on display was in the 1830s by the German settlers of Pennsylvania, although trees had been a tradition in many German homes much earlier. The Pennsylvania German settlements had community trees as early as 1747. But, as late as the 1840s Christmas trees were seen as pagan symbols and not accepted by most Americans.

[history.com](https://www.history.com)

*Merry
Christmas*

**Postponed until
further notice**

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Center
2nd Floor
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Official Call of the Potentate:

ATTENTION ALL NOBLES

Stated Meeting & Election of 2021 Officers

Wednesday, December 9th, 7:00PM

for the transaction of such Business as may regularly come before it, receiving of Reports, payment of Dues, and election of the 2021 Officers. The meeting will be held at:
Tripoli Shrine Center, 3000 W. Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee

Your particular attention is called to following Articles of the Imperial Bylaws. You will be able to pay any outstanding dues that evening and be a member in good standings.

2020 Imperial Bylaws Article 39

§ 339.1 Admission A Noble may not be admitted to his own or any other temple, unless he exhibits to the temple to which he desires admittance an official Shrine card for the then current year.

2020 Imperial Bylaws Article 25

§ 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 résumé 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 officer void and order a new election.



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Lunch served at noon
Wrap up by 1:00

Cost is only \$15 pp

Be a monthly sponsor and talk to the group for 15 minutes, only \$100

For safety we ask that you arrive with a mask, tables will be set for 6 to accommodate social distancing standards.

Bring a friend or co-worker and meet more people.

FROM THE EDITOR



Next Tattler's Submission

DEADLINE

December 20th

All submissions for the Tripoli Tattler are to be sent to tattler@tripolishrinecenter.com on or before the 20th of the month, **WITH NO EXCEPTIONS!**

The publication of the Tattler will no longer be delayed waiting for articles, flyers or pictures by order of the Potentate.

Please be considerate of dated material that needs to be published on time.

Q: How did the Christmas tree get in trouble?

A: It was knotty.

Q: Why are Christmas trees so fond of the past?

A: Because the presents are beneath them

Q: What is the most frustrating thing about being a Christmas tree?

A: Having so many limbs and not being able to walk.



THANK YOU For Continuing Your Membership

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December - 2020



Tripoli Shriners

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29 		1	2 Freemasons 363 Highlanders Photo Corps	3 Nathan Hale Lodge	4	5
6	7 Daylite Lodge Red Fez	8 Lafayette Lodge	9 Stated Meeting	10	11 Director's Staff	12 Daughters of the Nile
13	14	15	16 Clowns Highlanders Hillbillies Women's Aux	17 Nathan Hale Lodge	18	19
20	21 Antique Autos Daylite Lodge Legion of Honor Motor Corps	22 Whitnall Park SC	23 Freemasons 363 Provost	24	25  Merry Christmas	
27	28	29	30 Ring 41 Magicians	31  Happy New Year!		

January- 2021



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Official Call of the Potentate:

Nobility of Tripoli



Monthly Stated Meetings

December 9th

January 13th

For the Purpose of Old and New Business

Your Attendance is Urgently Requested

Dinner: 5:30PM - Meeting: 7:00PM

WEAR YOUR FEZ!

Attest: Pete Hennig, Recorder

Yours in the Faith,

Rick Kingstad, Potentate

STATED MEETING

December 9th

Menu

Beef Tips

Breaded Shrimp

Mashed Potatoes

Chef Choice Veggies

Dessert

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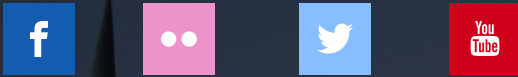
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Change Service Requested

TRIPOLI HAPPENINGS

- 1st Wed. Highlanders, Photo Corps
Freemasons 363 Lodge
- 1st Thurs. Nathan Hale Lodge
- 2nd Tues. Lafayette Lodge
- 2nd Wed. Stated Meeting (except July and Aug.)
5:30 Dinner, 7 PM Meeting
- 2nd Wed. Shriner's Hospital Committee
(between dinner and Stated Meeting
in Melham Parlor)
- 2nd Fri. Directors Staff
- 3rd Mon. Motor Corps Exec. - 6:00 PM
Motor Corps - 7:00 PM
Legion of Honor, Antique Auto
- 3rd Wed. Highlanders, Hillbillies, Clowns
- 3rd Thurs. Nathan Hale Lodge
- 4th Wed. Provost, Freemasons 363 Lodge
- 4th Fri. Craft Club, 7 PM
DeMolay Unit Meeting
- Last Wed. Ring 41 Magicians

Red Fez Schedule

Executive Meetings - 1st Monday - 6:00 PM
(ex. July & August)

Women's Auxiliary

Third Wednesday of each month at Tripoli
For Luncheon and Business Meeting
(ex. July & August)

Daughters of the Nile

Second Saturday of each month at Tripoli for
Meeting and Luncheon—10:00 a.m.
(ex. June & December)

Whitnall Park Shrine Club

4th Tuesday at noon each month at Alioto's

