



Emirat Shriners

Heidelberg- Germany

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Our Potentate EMIRAT Shriner 2018 Illustrious Noble Arda Cilingir

I became a Shriner in 2012. As I was advancing in freemasonry I was interested in other rites and masonic organizations and I always loved to give something back to the community and to the people around me.

My mother always told me that I was even as a kid very generous and wanted to share everything with other kids and people. The reason why I decided to taking the path into the Shrine was: What is even better giving something back and making the world a little better by giving something back to our world's future: the kids! I was lucky enough for not having challenges in my life as a kid or as a young adult. Therefor I want to make the challenges our little ones are facing as little as possible. What greater purpose can be followed.

I had the privilege and honor being elected to the Potentate of Emirat Shriners this year in January. I want to bring forward the organizations I am representing. This does not include only the membership, but also bring the organizations forward when it comes to the meaning of freemasonry and also what Shrinedom stands for – Philanthropy. A deeper meaning for me of being a Shriner and/or a Freemason. Everybody can make changes in his and or somebody's life. You just need the courage to do so!

But also a huge thanks to my Fianceé Lady Begüm. Without her understanding for days I am unable to be with her due to Shrine events.



A special Photo is used here it was taken at the Solomon Lodge, "George Washington Charity Ball" Feb. 2018.

It shows our Ill. Potentate Arda Cilingir together with the MWGM of the ACGL Tayfun Cilingir.

This is special because Noble Tayfun is the father of our Ill. Noble Arda

Dues Notice

This card or one like it could land in your mail box.



This is an article that comes up each year. Dues in EMIRAT Shrine is officially due to the Recorder, before 1 January of the year. Officially, to attend a meeting or other function of Shrine you will be requested to show your Dues card. Starting several years ago a new member gets a plastic dues card after becoming a member, it may take sometime. All the members of EMIRAT at that time also received a new card. Now each year when your dues is paid you will receive a sticker to place on your dues card.

In the last several days we the Divan have started to contacted many members that have not yet paid the 2018 dues, this is just a reminder. Some replies were received to note errors on our side. This should not happen, but with monies coming by check, Bank transfer and sometimes hand delivered one will get put in the wrong column, we are sorry for any mistakes that were made.

If you are not sure if you have paid your dues check if you have a sticker on your dues card, or contact the recorder.

The dues are 120€ for all members residing in Europe, all the remaining members the dues is \$130.

Before we started contacting members at the start of May the list of unpaid dues was at 225 unpaid members. The total dues open was over 28,000€.

Please help EMIRAT Shrine Center and remember your dues.

Election of two new members to the Divan of EMIRAT Shrine Center.

Kamel Tales

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SWIFT/BIC PBNKDEFF

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The Kamel Tales is published on a flexible basis. The purpose of this publication is to report the program and activities of Emirat Shriners, Shriner's Hospitals for Children, Shrine Clubs, Masonic Bodies, and other items of particular interest to Shriners.

WEBSITE:

<http://www.emiratshriners.com>

By your vote we elected two members to the Divan. First as High Priest and Prophet Nobel Luis A. Baez Delgado. To fill the second open position you elected, to the office of Oriental Guide Noble Ioannis Kardassopoulos.

Noble Luis works for the US Army here in Germany with his lady Christine. He was created a member right here in EMIRAT Shrine Center in 2015.

Noble Ioannis is also a home grown member of EMIRAT from 2016, living and working in Greece.

As the training giving by Shriner International so import is, EMIRAT should be very happy that both officers attended the Oriental Guide Seminar in March. We also had attendance by the Assistant Rabban to the AR Seminar the following week.



Oriental Guide Seminar Trip Report

5-12 March 2018

Tampa, Florida

Nobel Luis A. Baez Delgado, HPP

5 March 2018, travel by train from Oberdachstetten to Frankfurt Airport. Departed Frankfurt Airport at 11:00 AM, arrive Tampa at 3:45 PM, the same date. Stay at Country Inn & Suites on my own for 1 night.

6 March, tour the Tampa Shriners Hospital for Children, with 33 other visitors. Noble John Q. Mollner was my escort. He was wearing one of the Emirat Shriners arm band. He started by telling the story of how the Shriners began in the 1800's, with the 1st Hospital in Shreveport Louisiana. He stated that Shriners Hospitals for Children has 22 hospitals in the US, Canada and Mexico. Rooms are specially designed to keep patients comfortable, including a bed for their mother or father. Tampa hospital has a burn unit, with a special x-ray machine not commonly found made by EOS. The EOS Imaging System is a low-dose, 3-D imaging system that scans a child standing up. An EOS scan shows the physicians a child's natural, weight-bearing posture and allows them to see the interaction between the joints and the rest of the musculoskeletal system, particularly the spine, hips and legs. As of Dec 2017, 250 EOS system are installed in 32 different countries, including the United States, Japan, Korea, China, and throughout the European Union.

7 March, registration started at 10:00 AM. Tour of the Shriners International Headquarter at 1300. Culminating the day with a reception for Nobles and their families, addressed by the Imperial Potentate.

8 March, sessions started at 08:00. Topics for the day included "so you're are going to be a Potentee," counterpart, Shriners Village, Generations and Leadership training breakouts. This was the first Oriental Guide class that included spouses consisting of 134 Ladies & 169 Nobles. The evening was a great opportunity for many of us to meet with our counterparts & families at local restaurants in the area.

9 March, sessions started at 0800. Topics included Shrine Law, Budgeting and Finance, Welcome to the Board and whatever was not covered in the books. Evening was memorial; Nobles, Families and Imperial Officers came together to meet, greet, dinner and participate in a free raffle. The occasion included a surprise and unscheduled wedding were the Imperial Potentate escorted the Bride and one of the Noble (Judge) proceeded over the ceremony.

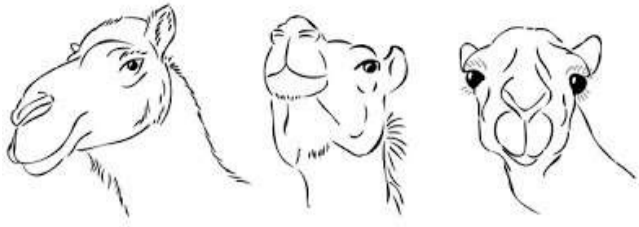
10 March (was my B-Day) continue with similar subject as 9 March including Membership and Patient Success Story. Presentations were made by The Imperial Potentate and staff. The presentation included Cyprus, as they have over 300 kids and spend over 16 million, treating kids Shriners Hospital. The presentation had the most impact on attending Nobles and Ladies. The last class of the day was drafted well; included pictures, short movies and the story of one of the kids (Isabella Rose, 14 years old) who was born with _____ that was help by the Shriners Hospitals. She made a surprise visit addressing all of us, explaining her story, culminating by one of her song.

Overall, great training and information that will assist me in the performance of my duties and responsibilities. An experience that should be a requirement for every elected Divan to attend.

Departed Tampa 11 March at 1415, arrive in Frankfurt 12 March at 0710. Travel to Oberdachstetten by train, arriving home at 1335.

Thanks,

Nobel Luis A. Baez Delgado
HPP



Calendar

25-27 May Ceremonial St Leon-Rot
 15-19 July 2018 Imperial Session Daytona Beach
 21 July Wattolümpiade with a Shriner Team
 7 -9 Sept Ceremonial in Greece
 22 Sept Stated Meeting in Heidelberg
 4-6 Oct International Membership Seminar
 2-4 Nov. Ceremonial Heidelberg / St Leon-Rot
 13 Jan 2019 Annual Meeting Heidelberg
 19 Jan 2019 East-West Shrine Game



Surprise

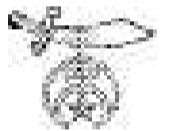
for the members of the
 2017 Divan EMIRAT Shriners.

Johanna Tabeling Lady from our Potentate Marco Sodenkamp and a group of the Ladies presented the Divan members, with thanks for the work they are doing for EMIRAT Shrine Center, a very nice pocket pin.



Welcome

Jimmys and your Ladies



The over 450 Nobles of EMIRAT Shrine Center greet you and welcome you to Shrine. Join in the actives of the Temple, your local Club and the other Units. Shrine is Brotherhood, Fun and support of the Kids.

Shriners International, a fraternity based on fun, fellowship and the Masonic principles of brotherly love, relief and truth, founded Shriners Hospitals for Children as its official philanthropy in 1922. What began as one hospital is now a world-renowned health care system with 22 locations in three countries. The fraternity, which has nearly 200 temples in several countries and thousands of clubs around the world, continues to operate and support this unique health care system.

Shriners Hospitals for Children is one of the largest pediatric sub-specialty health care system in the world, with locations in the U.S.A. Canada and Mexico. The staff at our 22 locations is dedicated to improving the lives of children by providing pediatric specialty care, conducting innovative research, and offering outstanding teaching programs for medical professionals.



New Divan for the year 2018 elected in January

Ill. Arda Cilingir Potentate, Zeljko Gschwend Chief Rabban, Ward Williamson Assistant Rabban, Luis Baez Delgado High Priest & Prophet, Ioannis Kardassopoulos Oriental Guide, Ill. Paul Curran Recorder, Ill. Clifford Leach Treasure.

These Officers together with all the appointed Officers, Club and Unit Officers work to promote the interests of EMIRAT Shriners Europe.

Photo taken with Past ESC President Paul McKenzie the Installing Officer.

Membership Report

Total Membership as of January 1 2018:
424

Total Gains January 1 to April 30 2018

Nobles Created: 40

Nobles Affiliated: 0

Nobles Restored: 5

Total: 45

Total Loss January 1 to October 31 2017

Nobles Suspended: 3

Nobles Associate Drops: 2

Nobles Demits: 2

Total: 7

Total Regular Membership
as of April 30 2018: 464

2018 Dues

Members Active 464

Owe dues for 2018: 225

Total fund that are failing \$29,050.00

Nobles your dues for 2018 are due to
EMIRAT Shriners by

1 January 2018. If your dues are not paid,
according to

By-Laws you may not attend any function of
Shrine.

Please pay your commitments.



I AM R U

What is that? A special code word or what? No that is the title of the new membership program "I am Committed (to Membership) are you". It was made to support the Imperial Potentates program to get 25,000 new members in Shrine International in the time July 2017 to July 2018.

Included is a Web page to refer persons that you think would make a good Shriner.

Go to:

<https://webfez.shrine.net.org> click the logo on the left.

There you can enter information about a friend that you wish to receive information about Shrine.

On the same page you can go to WebFez and view and correct your personal data.

In the system we have following status:

Members: 464

Referrals : 7

Inquiries : 161

Candidates : 28



Initiation Daughters of the Nile

On January 25th 2018 four German ladies started their journey to become Daughters of the Nile with Athaliah Temple No 114 in Orlando, Florida. We arrived in Orlando on the Thursday evening prior to the ceremonial. To ensure that we go home with lots of new Daughter of the Nile and Shriners friendships our hosts organized fantastic get-togethers. We visited the Shriners Hospital in Tampa and received an exclusive tour at the Shriners International Headquarters which also included a meeting with the vice president of Shriners International Mr. John Piland. Followed by a meet and greet party hosted by Queen Linda Fennell and her Noble Alan. We went on a boat trip through the Mount Dora Canal and onto the Chain of Lakes on Saturday and a visit to Disney Springs that evening.



January 28th 2018: Initiation day

The ceremonial was not only very special because of historic initiation of us four German ladies, also because it was the Supreme Queen who attended the ceremonial. Athaliah really did a fantastic job in setting out a wonderful luncheon prior to the ceremonial. We had so many visiting; 3 Past Supreme Queens, Supreme Princess Royal, 19 Supreme Appointees, 2 Reigning Queens, and many Past Queens and Ladies of the Household. To see the Temple so full was heartwarming especially, for us new Princesses, as it is undeniably such a special day being initiated into Daughters of the Nile, but on such a historic one for not only our Temple, but for Daughters of the Nile it was absolutely a first.

The Sunday was a full day with the Supreme Ceremonial followed by a Banquet, held at the American Legion Department of Florida on Lee Road. We had a fantastic attendance of 134 and were honored that Imperial Sir Gary Bergenske and his Lady Ann were able to make it, along with Potentate Ian Ielfield, Past Potentate Mitch Lokken and his Lady Stephanie and several members of the Bahia Divan. The food was wonderful and concluding with our performing units. It was a very memorable day and evening to have been part of. We are proud to be officially Daughters of the Nile now.



Daughters of the Nile

Contact to:

Selket Club Germany (Europe)

For those Ladies that would like more information, please write to the Secretary:

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Kerstin Deußen-Schaffert
Secretary Selket Club
Daughters of the Nile

Daughters of the Nile was founded in 1913 and is open to ladies 18 years of age or older, who are related by birth or marriage to a Shriner, Master Mason, or Daughter of the Nile; or a Majority Member in Good Standing of a Masonic-related organization for girls; or who was a patient, with or without Shrine or Masonic relationship, at a Shriners Hospitals for Children.

With 24,000 members in 137 cities across the country, the Daughters of the Nile are devoted to supporting Shriners Hospitals for Children® through a variety of fundraising activities. In fact, this dynamic group of women has donated more than \$45 million dollars to the hospitals. Volunteers also sew quilts, dolls, surgery gowns and more for patients in the hospitals.

Daughters of the Nile wear a distinctive crown for special events and ceremonies.



Black Camel

Thursday, May 10, 2018

III Sir V. Gene BRACEWELL Imperial Potentate of the Shriners International 1985
Potentate of Yaarab Shrine Temple in 1973

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Past Imperial Potentate Gene Bracewell of Yaarab Shriners. Imperial Sir Gene served as part of the Imperial Divan for 11 years; as Chairman of the Board of Trustees for 10 years; and as Imperial Treasurer for 15 years, dedicating 36 years of service as a member of the Joint Board.

Please join us as we keep Lady Katharyn and the Bracewell family in our thoughts and prayers.