

# TURBAN TIMES

## MT SINAI #3



May 2024

Potentate: David Coffey

Recorder: Mike Gunn

Treasurer: Ken Canning

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### What's New

Potentate Notes

Recorder Corner

What's coming Up?

Sick Call  
Black Camel

### Turban Times

Space is open for anyone who would like to send in a submission. If you have any thoughts you would like to share we will make room for you.

Please send any reports by the 3rd week of the month so that it can be added to the next months news. ([galuman2020@gmail.com](mailto:galuman2020@gmail.com))

Any pictures should have who is in the photo and the occasion that it was taken.

# Potentate's Word

Greetings Nobles and ladies of Mt Sinai Shriners, Illustrious Sir Donald karlovich and I attended the NSA Mid-Winter meeting in Kingston Ontario April 18th-21 and had a great time.

It was interesting to hear about some of the research that is being done at our hospitals, one of the research projects was to see if genetic markers could be removed so a transplanted nipple could be used for breast cancer patients who have had their breast removed. Another one was using stem cells to treat spinabifida, there was a lady in California that was pregnant with a child that would have been born with this condition and she underwent a procedure to have stem cells placed on the spine of the baby and when the child was born the spinal cord was completely closed and it was reported that the child has had no complications. The last one they talked about was improvements made to prospective arms they now have some that have hands that by pushing a button allows it to work like a normal hand.

Tunis Shriners have been working very hard with the city of Kingston Ontario planning the NSA Fall Field days. The NSA Fall Field days will be in Kingston Ontario September 19th-21. I hope Mt Sinai Shriners will have a good representation there. Illustrious Sir Donald and I have picked out a place for a Temple dinner on Friday September 20th, more information will be provided by Illustrious Sir Donald karlovich when he gives us his report on the NSA Mid-Winter meeting.

Lady Lynne and I hope to see you at Spring Ceremonial May 4th in Morrisville at Mt Vernon Lodge #8 65 Portland Street. Coral Chapter OES will be providing lunch \$10/Person we will be having a second section. Lady Lynne will having a ladies program titled Spring in the garden.

Fraternally,  
David

## Recorder's Corner

#1—"LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP" advice. If you became a member by 1989 or before and are over 65 years of age, you might want to apply for Lifetime Membership status. Why, first for the knowledge to your fellow members that you have achieved this status. Also, as a Lifetime Member you will never pay the annual dues which right now is \$65.00. You will have to pay per capita fees of \$50.00 and Hospital Levy of \$5.00, all annually. So, that being said, criteria for a Lifetime Member is 30 Years as a Shrine member and reached the age of 65. If you meet this criteria, please reply to the Recorder at [recorder@mountsinaishriners.org](mailto:recorder@mountsinaishriners.org) or write to the Recorder at Mt. Sinai Shrine Temple, 2 Academy St., Barre, Vt 05641 that you would like to become a Life Membership.. We will vote on these members applying for Life Membership at our Divan meetings throughout the year of 2024.. Members who are voted Life Members will kick in on your 2025 annual dues.

#2—Each Unit of Mt. Sinai received (40) Gun raffle tickets to be sold at \$10 each or (3) for \$25.00. Now, if you cannot sell these forty tickets in due time, Chairman & CR Donald Karlovich is requesting that the Units pick up the tab and buy your unsold tickets. The drawing is May 2, 2024 so get your sold tickets in early. It is hard for me to believe that your Unit members cannot meet this task. Our only other fundraiser is Bingo and annual dues, so do your part to help Mt. Sinai Temple to stay afloat and prosper.

Thanking all, Mike Gunn, Recorder of Mt. Sinai Temple

# Chief Rabban minute

Hello Everyone

Report on NSA will be delivered at Spring Ceremonial on May 4th

Illus. Sir Donald J Karlovich PP 2018 ND CR 2024

Mt.Sinai Shriners

## 2024 Divan

Potentate - David Coffey

Chief Rabban - Donald Karlovich

Assistant Rabban - Gary B. Luman

High Priest and Profit - David Driver

Oriental Guide - Norbert "Sonny" Fetzer

Recorder - Mike Gunn

Treasurer - Ken Canning

## Assistant Rabban Corner

Nobles and Ladies,

Lady Angie and I enjoyed our time at Melha for their Potentate Ball last weekend.

Reminder that Spring Ceremonial is coming up and I understand that there will be a Ladies program so consider bringing your significant other. Hope to see lots of you there.

Fraternally Yours

AR'24/PP'20 Gary Luman

# Editorial

## Spring Ceremonial

When: May 4th 9:30a start time

Where: Mt Vernon Lodge 65 Portland Street  
Morrisville

There is a planned 2nd session and a Ladies Program  
“Springtime in the garden”

Please let Illustrious Sir know if you will attend for a  
meal headcount

Lunch Provide by OES: Cost \$10 per person

note: The lodge entrance is on Brigham street and  
there is a parking lot at the end of the street as well as  
some parking on the street.

## Upcoming Events

### May

4 - Spring Ceremonial Morrisville Vt

26 - Shrine Bingo

### June

16 - Bingo

23 - Cabari Picnic Boulder Beach

### July

7- Bingo

### August

3 - Maple Sugar Football Game Castleton

### September

19-22 - NSA Field Days

### October

25-26 - ABCKL Quintuple Visitation, Bangor ME

# Past Potentates (Living)

1991 - Homer Selby (Janet)  
1992 - Donald Tessier  
1994 - Roy Vance (Linda)  
1995 - Fred Wall (Leslie)  
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)  
2011 - J. Pat Sloan (Marie)  
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)

## Next edition

June 1, 2024

Please have submissions entered by the 28th of the month to ensure time to add. All submissions should be sent to:

[galuman2020@gmail.com](mailto:galuman2020@gmail.com)

Pictures and funnies are also welcome

## Sick Call

PP Pat Sloan  
P.O. Box 63  
Coventry Vt 05825-0063

## Black Camel 2024

G. John Lawson  
Born: 2/4/1949  
Created: 0/4/1980  
Died: 4/24/2024

WILLIS J. MORSE,  
DUXBURY, VT.  
Born: 1944  
Created: 11/7/1981  
Died: 4/29/2024

# Unit News

This are will be used to post any announcements, events or fundraisers that are being held or run by specific units. Pictures and information will be great as well

Motorcycle Unit - Sonny Fetzer (shomei55@gmail.com)

Meeting date

meeting location

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

Meeting date

meeting location:

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

Meeting date

Meeting location:

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

Meeting date

Meeting location:

Bunker Busters - Donald Karlovich PP (donaldkarlovich@yahoo.com)

Meeting date

Meeting location:

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

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

## Bingo Units 2024

May 26 - Fire Brigade/Bunker Busters

June 16 - Motor Corp/Cycle Unit/Sinai Joes/Cabri/Northern Shrine Club

July 7 - Sinai Joes/Cabari

August 4 - Motor Corp

October 6 - Cycle Unit/Shrine Club

November 10 - Fire Brigade/Bunker Busters

December 1 - Sinai Joes/Cabari

# Unit News

FROM THE MOTOR CORPS.

We have retrieved our vehicles from winter storage and getting things ready for the upcoming parade season. We are scheduled to participate in twelve parades this summer. It is with some sadness that we go about our planning for the year, as the Black Camel visited our unit in 2023 and took three of our longtime and important members. Roger Spaulding, Sid Newcombe and Jim Anderson have joined other departed nobles in their eternal home. They were active participants and will be missed.

Unfortunately, we are facing the dilemma that is hitting all organizations - declining membership. We have seen it big time in our Shrine Center, the Masonic Brotherhood, and most social groups everywhere. Young people just do not join these organizations and the average age of members in such clubs and fraternities hovers right around 65 years. Unfortunately, the membership in MT Sinai in the last 20 years, has dropped from over 1100 down to around 250.

How do we turn that number around? It has been predicted that by the year 2015 there will be no Blue Lodge or Shrine. Then what happens to our hospitals? Its something to think about.

Hopefully we will see you all at various parades or Temple functions.

Jerry Morong

# Parade Season

Parade Season kicks off in St. Albans for the Maple Fest on 4/28. Some snaps of the fun! Interested in joining in on the fun contact any of the units they would be happy to chat!







May 26th is next Bingo - attendance has been steadily growing - the more workers the better the sales are.

Bingo is always looking for more volunteers and players

Units you don't have to wait for your assigned month to join in the fun



# News

Illustrious Sir David, CR Donald Karlovich attends NSA Mid-Winter planning meeting in Kingston



PP Jim Smith, Lady Laura, Noble Noah and Nick attend the Aleppo Circus



Visitation fun



# Announcements

## Are you thinking of a Lifetime Membership?

### LIFETIME MEMBERSHIPS

Lifetime Membership in Mount Sinai Shriners can be obtained by paying your temple dues, Imperial Per Capita tax, and Hospital Levy in one lump sum, in advance.

The cost of a **Lifetime Membership** is 20 times your annual temple dues for nobles who are under the age of 65 years or 10 times your annual temple dues for nobles who are 65 years of age or older.

This process benefits the younger member, of course; however it is a way to avoid future increases in temple or Imperial assessments for life.

If a noble wishes to prepay his annual Imperial Council assessments for life, the cost is a one time payment of **\$900** to become a “**Per Capita Member**” and/or **\$150** to become a “**Permanent Contributing Member**” of the Hospitals.

Nobles who wish to acquire “**Total Lifetime Membership**” status in the Shrine and avoid all future payments to Mount Sinai Shriners for LIFE, the total cost of one lump sum payment at this time would be **\$2350** for nobles under 65 years of age or **\$1700** for nobles 65 years of age and older.

Contact the Shrine office in Montpelier if you wish specific information. At the present time, your annual temple dues are \$65 per year, the Imperial per capita tax is \$30 per year and the Hospital levy is \$5 per year.

To become s Lifemember, a member has to be 65 Years of Age and been a member for 65 Years.

# Announcements



*Cheers*  
for

✦ CHILDREN ✦

## CHEERS FOR CHILDREN

Friday, October 25, 2024 | MGM Springfield | 5:30 — 9 pm



### Mount Sinai Shriner's Bingo

CHAMPLAIN VALLEY EXPOSITION

*Sunday March 10, 2024*

Doors open at 10:00 a.m. – Early Birds 12:30 p.m. – Regular Bingo at 1:00 p.m.

\$30 Admission package (12 cards) Additional Cards 12 for \$20 or 6 for \$15

**There will be one \$50 Door Prize for every 10 people in attendance at 1:00 p.m.**

1. Single Bingo
2. Caller's Choice
3. Single Bingo
4. Caller's Choice
- Shot Gun**
5. Any Two Bingos
6. Little Joe
- Smokers Break**
- Ticket Game**
7. Center Line 4 Corners
8. Letter L Any Way
9. First Cover All
- Intermission ~ 20 Minute Break**
- Special Games**
10. 2 Postage Stamps
11. Single Bingo
12. Seven or Eleven
- Shot Gun**
13. Any 5 No. Bingo, No 4 Corners
14. Caller's Choice
15. Single Bingo
- Smokers Break**
16. 4 Corners & Postage Stamp
17. Single Bingo
18. Two Part Cover All- Part 1 Caller's Choice
19. Two Part Cover All – Part 2 Progressive
- Jackpot
- Winner Take All**

*Mark your calendars with future Bingo dates:*

May 26	August TBD
June 16	October 6
July 7	November 10
	December 1

**Progressive Jackpot in 50 numbers  
Game 19 Cover All is at least**

**\$1000!**

*Gift Certificates available!*

Open Seating. **Must be 18 to play.** Concession

Champlain Valley Exposition Route 15 Essex Junction, VT

Proceeds Benefit of Mt. Sinai #3 Shrine Activities.

802-434-2055 or [mtsinaibingo@gmavt.net](mailto:mtsinaibingo@gmavt.net) for info or to join mailing list

Jackpot prize paid by check.

**Bigger Crowds = Bigger Prizes**

Like us on Facebook! <https://www.facebook.com/mountsinaishrinersbingo>

# Announcements

All members of the Cabari are encouraged to attend the first Cabari Picnic since Covid. June 23 Rain or shine (will be in the pavilion). Bring a dish to share. RSVP to Gary Luman PP'20 as soon as possible with a head count.



# 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](mailto:recorder@mountsinaishriners.org) and Mike will help direct you.

Bingo Workers: Many hands make light work! The bingo committee is always looking for able bodied workers.



# Visitations



Bektash, Anah, Kora, Cairo Quad Visitation Registration Form October 25 & 26, 2024

**Room Reservations need to be completed by September 24, 2024!**

Noble: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Lady: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Temple: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Busses will be available to all events at ANAH

Hollywood Casino is a short ride from the host hotel if you're interested

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:**

Friday:  
 Registration 10am-5pm  
 Hospitality 12pm-5pm/11pm-1am  
 Themed Party and Dinner 6pm-11pm at ANAH

All reservations can be made through the following link:  
<https://anahshriners.org/ABK>

2 guests-\$650  
 Includes 2 nights lodging, 2 tickets to the party Friday, Breakfast Saturday and Dinner

Saturday-  
 Registration 8-9am  
 Bloody Mary and Mimosas 8-9am  
 Counterparts Breakfast 9am-1030am  
 Hospitality 11-5pm  
 TBD 11am-430  
 Hospitality 11pm-1am  
 Potentate's Reception 5:30pm-11pm  
 Dueling Piano Show

1 Guest-\$495  
 Includes 2 nights lodging, 1 ticket to the party Friday, Breakfast Saturday and Dinner

Sunday:  
 Safe Travels  
 FRIDAY-Shrine Casual  
 SATURDAY-Breakfast w/Fez  
 SATURDAY-Dinner-Formal  
 FMI:

2 Guests-\$300  
 1 night lodging, 2 tickets to Dinner Saturday Potentates Reception

1 Guest-\$225  
 1 night lodging, 1 ticket to Dinner

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Housing and Hospitality will be at

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