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latest news and upcoming events...*

www.bektashshriners.org







**NOBILITY CALENDAR
November 2024**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3	4	5 Clowns	6	7 	8	9
10	11 Finance Mtg.	12	13	14 	15 Feztival Setup	16 Feztival Setup
17 Feztival Setup	18 Feztival Setup	19 Feztival Setup	20 Feztival Setup	21 Feztival Setup	22 Feztival of Trees	23 Feztival of Trees
24 Feztival of Trees	25 Feztival of Trees	26 Feztival of Trees	27 Feztival of Trees	28 Thanksgiving	29 Feztival of Trees	30 Feztival of Trees



**NOBILITY CALENDAR
December 2024**



1 Feztival of Trees (last day)	2	3 Clowns	4	5 	6	7
8	9 Finance Mtg.	10	11	12 	13	14
15	16 Stated Mtg.	17	18	19 	20	21 Christmas Party
22	23	24	25	26 	27	28
29	30	31				

BEKTASH 2024

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Bektash Installation of Officers	January 6
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Potentate's Valentines Ball	February 10
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Stated Meeting	March 18
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Easter EggStravaganza	March 22-24
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NSA Mid-Winter (Tunis)	April 18-21
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fun and Fellowship	May 10
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NH Grand Lodge Annual Meeting	May 18
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tunis Tri-Visitation	May 31-June 2
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Special Stated Meeting	June 3
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Summer Ceremonial Kora	June 7-9
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fun and Fellowship	June 14
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Stated Meeting	June 17
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chicken BBQ	June 22
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Imperial Session (Reno, Nevada)	June 30-July 4
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fun and Fellowship	July 12
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Summer Picnic	July 20
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fun and Fellowship	August 9
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4th Annual Lady Amy Freeman Memorial Golf Tournament	Aug. 19
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fun and Fellowship	September 13
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NH Masonic Unity Picnic (Bristol NH)	September 15
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Stated Meeting	September 16
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NSA Fall Field Days (Tunis)	September 19-22
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	BBQ Rib Dinner	October 12
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tri-Visitation ABK - Anah (ME) Hosting	October 25-27
	Fesztival of Trees	November 23—Dec. 1
	Stated Meeting	December 16
	Christmas Party	December 21
	Bektash Installation of Officers	January 11

**BEKTASH SHRINE CENTER
189 PEMBROKE RD
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ELECTED DIVAN

Potentate	Alan Fillingham
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	treasurer@bektashshriners.org
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APPOINTED DIVAN

Assistant Treasurer.....	Nick Wilder
1 st Ceremonial Master	Kevin Ciampa
2 nd Ceremonial Master	David Walters
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Outer Guard	Richard Colby
Chaplain	Kevin Carter, PP
Director	Jerry Becker
Assistant Director.....	Michael Lothrop
Marshal	Kevin Koechel

MISCELLANEOUS OFFICERS

Colonel.....	David Vachon
Major.....	Vacant
Marketing and Membership Chairman.....	Michael Lothrop
Bingo Chaiman.....	Kevin Ciampa
Fez-tival of Trees Chairman.....	Brett A. Hunter
Easter Eggstravaganza Co-Chair.....	Evan McIntosh
Easter Eggstravaganza Co-Chair.....	Alan Fillingham
Hospital Transportation Coordinator.....	Kenny Thoroughgood
Photographer.....	Robert Reynolds

MEMBER EMERITUS

DirectorC. Wayne Libby
 Chief Steward.....C. Leonard Petersen
 Springfield Hospital Rep. Emeritus.....Willard R. Lemaire, PP

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 Boston Representative.....John Freeman, PP

Shriners Children’s New England (Springfield).....1-413-787-2000
 Associate Representative.....Ill. Alan Fillingham

Shriners Hospital for Children—Canada (Montreal).....1-514-842-4464
 Montreal Representative.....Paul Little, PP

BEKTASH UNIT LEADERS

Bektash Mariners Yacht Club.....Commodore Richard Hoeker
 Bingo.....Kevin Ciampa
 Chefs.....Chief Chef Kenny Thoroughgood
 Clowns.....Boss Clown David “Woo Hoo” Rouleau
 First Section.....Director Jerry Becker
 High Rollers/Mini-Monster Truck Patrol.....President David Walters
 Legion of Honor.....Commander David Vachon
 Mini-Kar Patrol.....Captain Edward J Kelvington
 Stewards.....Chief Steward Shawn Buxton
 White Mountain Hillbilly Clan #10 Raban of the Clan Michael Tebbetts, PP

BEKTASH CLUB LEADERS

Cheshire Shrine Club.....President Seamus Wibben
 Nashua Shrine Club.....President Gary D. Waters
 Portsmouth Shrine Club.....President Edmond Daneault, PP

"Fez"tival of Trees

Committee Meeting Date

Tuesday, November 12

At 6:00 pm

Meetings at the Shrine Center

In the Nobility Room

Shriners and their Ladies are invited.



2024 POTENTATE ALAN FILLINGHAM

Hi Everyone,

I can't believe it's already November and the leaves are on the ground. Our house is also covered with enough acorns to start a new forest.

I am writing this fresh from the Tri-Visitation which was held in Bangor Maine this year and hosted Anah Shrine. Anah has a wonderful building that is a converted church so there's lots of room for everyone and plenty to explore. The event was well attended with representation from many shrines. Presentations were made in the morning and the Potentate, Illustrious Sir Adam Beals was well and truly roasted by his friends. The famous "Toilet Seat" award was also presented for the best CRAP (Chief Rabban Almost Potentate) which was won this year by Ryan Otis from Anah, with our own Evan McIntosh a very close second, well done Evan.

.November is a very busy month for Bektash with the Feztival of Trees being the biggest event of the year. This year is proving to be better than ever and shaping up to be an outstanding event. Cash Calendars are already on sale via our website and preparations are well underway for the Feztival.

The biggest part of every Feztival is the help and participation of our Nobles and their families. We can't host this event without your help. It's great fun and impossible not to get into the Christmas spirit being surrounded by happy people and dozens of Christmas Trees. Please consider coming to help, even if you can only spare a couple of hours. Your Divan will be there helping and it's a great time to talk with them one to one about anything you need help with or would like to know.

I will close with some great news. Several Nobles are starting a new unit at Bektash for First Responders. I actually can't believe we don't already have a unit like this. Please help them get it off the ground by supporting them.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the Feztival,

**Illustrious Alan Fillingham
Potentate 2024**

CHIEF RABBAN'S MESSAGE

Greetings Nobles and Ladies; the Tri-Visitation hosted by Anah was a success and sharing many laughs and memories with our extended family is always a great time.

Cheers for Children had a great turn out, mark your calendars for next year as their 100th Anniversary Gala Celebration will be October 18th.

The 5th Annual Boston Haunted Walk could not have asked for a better day with over 380 walkers and almost \$500,000 of donations. If you are interested in being a member of our hospital boards, please contact me to go over the requirements and to answer any questions you may have.

Fez'Tival of Trees is our biggest fundraiser of the year and without it we would not be able to operate. With that is mind, without you it will not be successful. Please contact Emilie Hunter to sign up, even if it is just for a few hours. We have many shifts to fill. A special thank you to the Ladies that helped with the tree donation forms; we have 63 submission so far. Nobility mailers have also been sent out, if you have not seen it yet please contact the office to ensure your address is correct in WebFez.

Our next stated meeting will be Monday, December 16th. Ladies get your Yankee Swap gift ready. December 21st, will be the Christmas Party and last event for 2024. This will be a business casual, ugly sweater themed event, with a possible surprise for those who attend. More details to follow, subscribe to our calendar for updated information as it becomes available.

Save the date:

January 11th - Installation of Officers

February 15th - Potentates Valentines Ball

Fraternally,

Evan McIntosh, Chief Rabban



RECORDER'S RAMBLINGS

It's that time of year again. You should've gotten your Bektash Shrine dues notice by now. If you've paid, that's wonderful and thanks for your support. We are migrating away from the yearly stickers on the dues cards. If you attend a Shrine event (either here in NH or anywhere in the world), your card is scanned, and it will allow you to participate. When the code on the back of the card to the left of the signature box is scanned, it tells you if your card is up to date. Each Shrine Temple has scanners which are connected to the Shriners International membership database, making it easy for all involved to attend events.

Thank you, Ill. Mark Simard for donating and installing a hand washing sink by our bar in the main hall. This will allow our Bartenders to wash their hands and dispose of unfinished drinks without heading out to the bathrooms. I'm sure it will be used regularly, and we appreciate your fine work, Ill. Simard.

Our annual Feztival of Trees is right around the corner. If you can donate a few hours for this very important fundraiser, please contact Lady Emelie Hunter, Volunteer Coordinator at (603) 421-4659. She will be able to fit you into the schedule and put your talents to work.

At our Stated Meeting in September, we voted to amend the by-laws of Bektash to eliminate the need for a yearly financial audit. According to Imperial bylaws, we must provide an annual financial statement from a CPA as opposed to a full blown, time-consuming financial audit. I'm pleased to report that the amendments to the bylaws have been approved by the Shriners International Jurisprudence Committee, and the Imperial Recorder's office. With the help of Noble Dan Salo, we will be printing the new bylaws soon. If you want a copy, we will have several on hand in the office. It will also be available in electronic format (MS Word and MS Publisher).

Here's wishing all of you a very happy and healthy Thanksgiving.

Isn't it great to be a Shriner?

Tom Brison, PP, Recorder



Bektash Legion of Honor is Looking for a few good men!

Prerequisites for joining – Member in good standing of Bektash Shriners and a member or veteran of the Armed Forces of the US or its allies.

The purpose of the unit is to promote a closer fraternal and social relationship, maintain an Honor Guard and a uniformed body, foster a spirit of patriotism and love of country and Flag, perpetuate the memory of our comrades in Arms who died in the service of their country and to serve the Illustrious Potentate in the betterment of the Bektash Shriners. We are a uniformed unit and wear the campaign ribbons and the military shoulder patch of your individual branch of service. We carry the colors and flags of our country, Allies and State of New Hampshire. We participate in various activities and march in parades in the state of New Hampshire.

Membership – Approximately 30 throughout the state of New Hampshire.

Dues – 10 dollars a year

Other cost- Uniforms consist of tan shirt that we might be able to provide, black pants, black shoes and fez.

September 2024 Regular & Associate Membership Report

Beg. September 1, 2024	Membership
(Regular & Associate)	572
Affiliations	1
Associated	0
Associated Member Drop	0
Creation	0
Creation Reversal.....	0
Demitted	0
Demitted Reversal.....	0
Expelled	0
Expired-Active Member	(2)
Expired Reversal.....	0
Restored	0
Suspended	0
Suspension Reversal.....	0
End of Month Membership (Regular & Associate)	571
Net gain (loss) for Month.....	(1)



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- Nelson J. Murray (1996)
- John M. Walker (2000)
- Thomas E. Brison (2002)
- Willard R. Lemaire (2003)
- James L. Chase (2006)
- Richard F. "Ted" Dooley (2007)
- Bradford J. Durfee (2008)
- Edmond Daneault (2009)
- Richard "Rick" Perry (2011)
- Robert St. Jacques (2012)
- William J. Hebert (2013)
- Kevin J. Carter (2014)
- Richard A. Quindley (2015)
- Mark A. Simard (2017)
- Lloyd S. Doughty, II (2018)
- John Puckhaber (2019)
- Brent Norris (2020)
- John Freeman (2021)
- Michael Tebbetts (2022)
- Paul Little (2023)



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To participate call the Bektash Office at 603-225-5372.



Assistant Rabban's Assistance

I would like to thank all those who attended and supported the 1st Chef's BBQ Rib Dinner. We had a total of 62 people signed up and everybody had their plates full. Thank you to the Chef's and their ladies for helping, special mention to Brett Tiede (Tiede farms smokehouse) for smoking the ribs.

To date, we have 3 patients that we are transporting to Springfield Children's in Massachusetts. Thank you to those volunteers who continuously provide transportation for these kids and their family.

Fall is already here and next is the Fez-tival of Trees. Please support our Temple by volunteering during in this event.

December 16 will be the last Stated Meeting and this will be the election of Officers for 2025, please show up and cast your votes and hear what was done on 2024 and the plans for 2025. This is your Temple, we would like to hear from you.

"In matters of style, swim with the current; in matters of principle, stand like a rock"

--Thomas Jefferson

As always, please support your temple, we are all in this together. Let's help kids while having fun and enjoying it too.

Kenny Thoroughgood
Assistant Rabban

OFFICIAL CALL OF THE POTENTATE: TO THE NOBILITY OF BEKTASH

QUARTERLY STATED MEETING

**Monday, December 16, 2024
7:00 PM – Bektash Shrine Center**

A Business Session of Bektash Shriners will be Conducted in Accordance with the Imperial Council Regulations and as Required by the By-Laws of Bektash Shriners at the Bektash Shrine Center on Monday, December 16, 2024 at 7 PM for the Purpose of Balloting Upon Petitions for Initiation and Affiliation and to Conduct all other Business as Directly Related to the Affairs of Bektash Shriners.

**Dated at Concord, NH
On November 1, 2024**

**Your Attendance is Requested
Camels Milk and Light Faire
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**WEAR YOUR FEZ
MUST BE CURRENT WITH DUES
DOORS WILL BE TILED**

Attest: Thomas Brison, PP, Recorder

Shriner International Election Laws

§ 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 officers void and order a new election.
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BEKTASH PULL-TAB RECYCLING PROGRAM

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**Ron Carbary
Gilford, NH**

**Rebekah Sutherland
Penacook, NH**

**Winnepesaukee Masonic Lodge
Alton, NH**

**Alan Tiede
Barnstead, NH**

**James Joyce
Rumney, NH**

**First Congregational Church
Pittsfield, NH**

**Danis Market
Pittsfield, NH**

**Melissa Sainclair
Kingston, PA**

**Dave Walters
Derry, NH**

**Linda Morreale
Laconia, NH**

**VFW 1698
Franklin, NH**

**Thank You to all
Pull Tab
Collectors and
Donors!**

Upcoming 2025 Events

January 11th - Installation of Officers

February 15th - Potentate's Valentines Ball

March 15th/22nd - Joint Potentate's trip (BAAK) to Costa Rica. Please use the link below if you would like to be a part of this great experience.

<https://myemail.constantcontact.com/Anah-Shriners-Invite-You-To-COSTA-RICA-2025.html?soid=1138003927481&aid=bCj0VdGjoPw>

April - NSA Mid-Winter hosted by Phile (Prince Edward Island)

May - Rock N' Race (Noah's Heros)

June 29 - Imperial Session; Atlanta GA (much more information to come)

September - NSA Fall-Field Days hosted by Phile (Prince Edward Island)

October 24th/26th - Tri-Visitation; North Conway Grand Hotel.

Lodge Ambassadors Wanted

Do you attend your Blue Lodge regularly (or would you like to)? Would you like to stand up in your Blue Lodge and make Shrine announcements and presentations? Then you are exactly who we are looking for!!

The Shrine Lodge Ambassador Program is intended to create a communication stream between Bektash Shrine and the Masonic Lodges in our jurisdiction.

The Shrine Ambassadors will receive a name badge indicating his ambassadorship to be worn at Lodge, Shrine meetings and events. An email will be sent to the Ambassadors the last week of the month from our marketing committee with "talk points", to be mentioned at your Lodges State Meeting. You will be able to present the Potentate's congratulatory certificate and package to newly raised Master Masons.

All you need to do to sign up is call one of the nobles below with the and provide them with your name, phone number, emails and Lodge name.

Michael Lothrop; Marketing Chair
207.907.8949

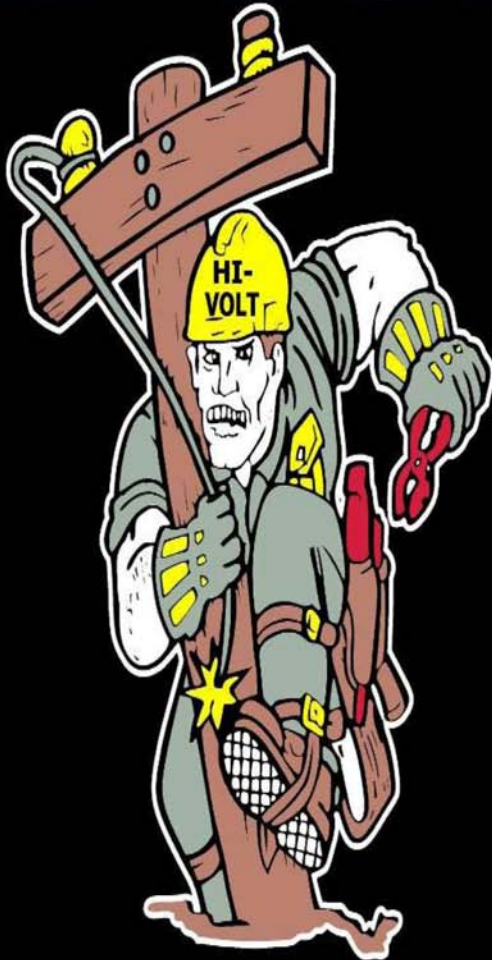
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Message from your High Priest and Prophet

Looking back, in the month of October, what an awesome BBQ rib dinner served up by the Bektash chefs! Attendance was outstanding and enjoyed by all. Thank you to all that attended and those who helped serve up the wonderful meal.

As a reminder, the biggest fundraising event of the year approaches this month, Festival of Trees and its success depends on volunteers. I encourage you to consider offering your time once again. Your contribution, no matter how small, makes a lasting impact and contributes to the success of this event. Thank you in advance and hope to see you at the Festival of Trees.

Kindly reminder,
Nobles, as you walk this worthy path, let us be ever mindful of our mission—to serve, to uplift, and to inspire. As Shriners, we are called to bring light where there is darkness and hope where there is despair. In unity, strength, and compassion, we fulfill our highest purpose.

Fraternally,
Brett A. Hunter
High Priest & Prophet
Bektash Shriners
(603) 421-4735

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HELP THE CHILDREN!

Bring your tabs to the Bektash Shrine Center

Money received from sale of tabs will be used for patient transportation to and from Shriners Hospital.



!! Volunteers Needed !! Festival of Trees.

Dear Nobility, I hope this message finds you well. As the Festival of Trees is fast approaching, we are still in need of volunteers to help make this event a success! Now is your chance to get involved and spread some holiday cheer.

Event Details:

Dates: November 23 to December 1.

Times:

Nov. 23 - 24. 10am to 7pm

Nov. 25. 10am to 4pm

Nov. 26 - 27. 10am to 7pm

Closed Thanksgiving

Nov. 29 - 30. 10am to 7pm

Dec. 1. 10am to 3pm

There are various time slots within the above dates and times for volunteer opportunities available, including:

Admissions

50/50

Cash Tree

Calendars

We will also need volunteers to assist in the event setup and breakdown.

Your help will make a big difference! If you're able to lend a hand, please contact Lady Emelie at:

Lady Emelie

Volunteer Coordinator

(603) 421-4659

rustylab21@outlook.com

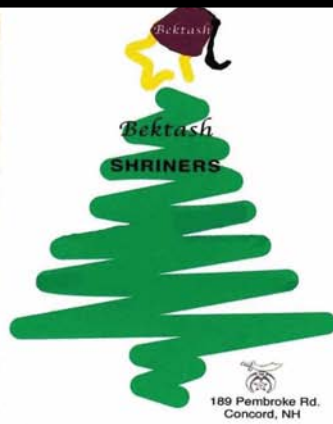
Thank you so much. We hope you join us in making this event magical and memorable for all who attend.

Warm regards,

Brett Hunter, Chairman

brett363@gmail.com

2024 Bektash Festival of Trees



24th ANNUAL FEZTIVAL OF TREES

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*All Fully Decorated Trees Will Be Raffled On December 1
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 Nov. 25 10am to 4pm
 Nov. 26 - 27 10am to 7pm
 Closed Thanksgiving
 Nov. 29 - 30 10am to 7pm
 December 1 10am to 3pm

Tickets:

Age 12 and Over \$5.00
 Kids Under 12, FREE



For additional information contact the office at (603) 225-5372 or
feztival@bektashshriners.org

BEKTASH CASH CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS—October 2024

DAY	AMOUNT	NUMBER	FIRST	LAST NAME
1	\$25.00	1072	Jason	Rice
2	\$25.00	1729	Donna	Miner
3	\$25.00	1186	Alice M.	Richmond
4	\$25.00	1780	Robin	Morris
5	\$200.00	1624	Loretta	Pearson
6	\$25.00	1100	Scott	Pellerin
7	\$25.00	1523	Cyndi	Godzyk
8	\$25.00	2128	Jessica	Pickard
9	\$25.00	1264	Rick	Garcland
10	\$25.00	1143	Brenda G.	Pitman
11	\$25.00	1720	Steve	DeFlumeri
12	\$100.00	1415	Jasmine	Hunter
13	\$25.00	1389	Matthew	King
14	\$25.00	1491	Barbara	Burnham
15	\$25.00	1392	Annette	McCaffrey
16	\$25.00	1485	John	Consigli
17	\$25.00	1077	Susie & Roger	Reid
18	\$25.00	1630	Kirsten	Wiren
19	\$100.00	1267	John	Currier
20	\$25.00	1605	Charlene	Smith
21	\$25.00	1097	Roger J.	Pellerin
22	\$25.00	1025	Arlene J.	Klocek
23	\$25.00	1058	Darlene	Hardy
24	\$25.00	1507	Jennifer	Evans
25	\$25.00	1093	Everleigh	Hebert
26	\$100.00	1394	Keaton	Lahey
27	\$25.00	1192	Erik	Kliardie
28	\$25.00	1465	Valerie	Lamy
29	\$25.00	1557	Macaela	Eaton
30	\$25.00	1311	Carlyn	Bond
31	\$25.00	1144	Julie	Harrington

Thank you for Supporting Bektash!

PETITION FOR INITIATION AND MEMBERSHIP

BEKTASH SHRINERS

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Concord NH 03301
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**TO THE ILLUSTRIOUS POTENTATE, OFFICERS AND NOBLES OF BEKTASH SHRINERS,
SITUATED IN CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE:**

I, _____ hereby declare that I am a Master Mason in good standing in

(Please print your Full Name)

Lodge, Number _____, Located in _____, MM Date _____

(City and State) (mm/dd/yyyy)

Which is a Lodge recognized by or in amity with the Conference of Grand Masters of North America. Furthermore, I have resided at my current address for not less than 6 months, as required by the By-Laws of Shriners International. I respectfully pray That I may be made a Noble of the Mystic Shrine and become a member of Bektash Shriners.

If I be found worthy, and my request granted, I promise to conform to the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws of Shriners International and the By-Laws and Ceremonies of Bektash Shriners.

Birthplace _____ Date of Birth _____

Were you ever a DeMolay? _____ If so, what was the Chapter name and location _____

Profession or Occupation _____

Have you previously applied for admission to any Temple of the Order? ___ Where? _____ When? _____

Residence Address _____

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(City) (State) (Zip)

Business Address _____

(Street) (County)

(City) (State) (Zip)

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Business Phone _____

Email _____

Lady's Name _____ Fez Size _____

Signature _____

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(Print)

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Bektash Rib BBQ October 12, 2024



Dinner was well attended.



Left to right: Dixie Thouroughgood, Lady Emelie and Noble Brett Hunter



Ticket Checkers-Noble John Moore and Lady Deborah



Bektash Chefs Volunteers

*Thank
you!*

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*Learn more about the Bektash Booster
Program and how to contribute and
Donation form elsewhere in this issue.*

Helping A Child Is Just A Phone Call Away

Determining whether a child is eligible for care at Shriners Children's is as simple as calling 800.237.5055 (toll free in the U.S.), or 800.361.7256 (in Canada) from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday. During the initial phone call, you will discuss the nature of the child's condition, age and location of residency with a patient referral coordinator. Based upon the information provided, you will be referred to a specific Shriners Children's location that can best care for the child. Additional information is available at shrinerschildren.org Shriners Children's specializes in threatening orthopedic conditions, sports medicine, burns, spinal cord injuries and cleft lip and palate.

HELP WANTED

**Hillbilly Clan
1st / 2nd Section
Mini Cars or High Rollers
Legion of Honor (LOH)
Clowns**

Don't see something you are looking for or want more information give the Chief Rabban a call at 603.867.1005

Tri-Visitation Anah-Bektash-Kora October 25-27 Bangor, Maine



Left to Right (all are from Bektash)

*Lady Amanda and Evan McIntosh (Chief Rabban)
First Lady Susan and Ill. Alan Fillingham (Potentate)
Lady Emelie and Brett Hunter (High Priest and Prophet)*



First Lady Susan and Ill. Alan Fillingham in the colorful Halloween costumes.



Lady Amanda and Evan McIntosh (Chief Rabban)



*(L to R) First Lady Susan and Ill. Alan Fillingham (Potentate)
Evan McIntosh (Chief Rabban) and Lady Amanda*

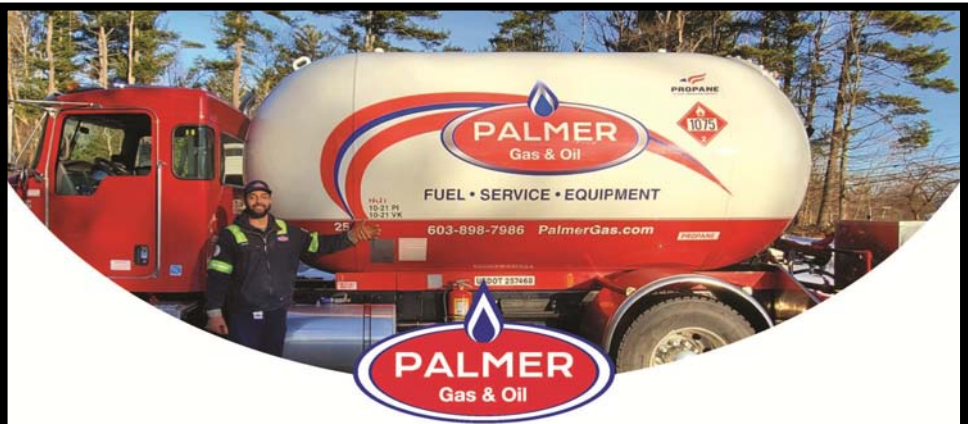
HELP WANTED

**Drivers for Transportation
Bingo**

N.O.A.H. (Cigar Unit)

**Committee Member of an event or Membership
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Lady Amanda and Evan McIntosh (Chief Rabban)
Mike Lothrop (Assistant Director) Lady Kelly*



Left Evan McIntosh (Chief Rabban)

Mike Lothrop (Assistant Director)



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- I prefer to make a cash contribution at this time of at least \$100, which is tax deductible. A certificate will be sent.

Make your check payable to:
Shriners Hospital For Children

I am a member of Bektash Shrine: _____

Signed: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Please have the Certificate read: _____

Please return to:
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PO Box 4086, Concord, NH 03302

THE 100 MILLION DOLLAR CLUB

The 22 Shriners Hospitals for Children have provided lifesaving and life-changing medical care to more than 800,000 children, regardless of their ability to pay.

The money to provide these needed services at 22 hospitals comes from many sources: community donations; fundraising events; investment income; and support from the Shriners International.

As health care costs increase, Shriners Hospitals needs your help, more than ever, to continue to provide more specialized care, offer medical education and conduct more research. Too many people believe that if they cannot donate or leave a large sum or money, their gift will not count. Every contribution helps. In order to encourage donors to contribute to Shriners Hospitals for Children, the HUNDRED MILLION DOLLAR CLUB was established in 1972. The club is named for its goal of adding 100 million dollars to the endowment fund through gifts or bequests of \$100 or more.

HOW TO JOIN

There are three ways to become a member of the 100 Million Dollar Club: (1) By contributing \$100 or more to Shriners Hospitals for Children; (2) By having your will include a bequest of \$100 or more to Shriners Hospitals for Children; or (3) By adding a provision to an existing will leaving \$100 or more to Shriners Hospitals for Children. Shriners. Please fill out the form on the right and send your contribution to Bektash Shriner's, ATTN: Recorder.

WHAT YOU RECEIVE

Each donor receives a handsome 100 Million Dollar Club certificate. By contributing \$100, you can feel like a million, knowing that you have helped to ensure that Shriners Hospitals for Children will be able to continue helping children in the years to come.

BEKTASH HILLBILLY CLAN #10

*‘Raban’ of the Clan
Mike Tebbetts, PP*



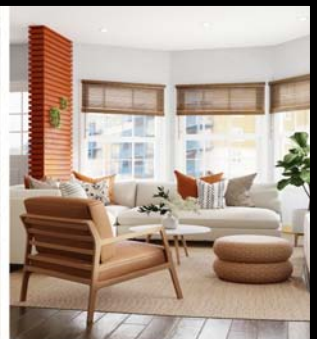
Retention Program

Well, Nobles, I’m seeking donations to our Retention Fund. The fund has not grown in the last few months. This friendly reminder is coming to ask you to think about helping a Noble who needs assistance.

Please consider a donation or memorial gift, you will be recognized if you so desire. I will have an update on the fund in an upcoming issue of the Bektash News.

Remember all checks need to be made out to Bektash Shriners with “Retention Fund” in the memo area and mail them to the office.

Michael Lothrop
Membership Chairman



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BEKTASH MARINERS SHRINE YACHT CLUB WANTS YOU !



BEKTASH MARINERS SHRINE YACHT CLUB B.M.S.Y.C. PURPOSE

The purpose of this inner body is three-fold:

1. This inner body is a social inner body providing good fellowship among members of Bektash Shrine who share an interest in boats, boating and kindred pleasures – such as skiing, fishing, and cruising.
2. This inner body is engaged in organizing and participating in boating activities for the enjoyment and betterment of its members and the glory of Bektash Shrine, and to further assist and promote in any way possible the safety of general boating on public waters and to seek, for the enjoyment of all, better facilities for this fast-growing sport throughout New Hampshire.
3. This inner body stands ready to assist illustrious Potentate and Divan of Bektash Shrine in carrying out Temple activities when called upon to do so.

For more information contact Commodore Richard Hoeker email richardhoeker@comcast.net or Sec./Tres. Raymond Desrochers email des.hov@gmail.com



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FUNDRAISING EVENT

- Any Ideas for a fundraising event?
- Suggestions on how we can do better in our existing events?
- Share your thoughts to us?
- Big & small ideas send them to us

ANY QUESTIONS?

- Do you have questions that are not clear to you with regards to the Temple?
- Do you have questions on our Units & Clubs?
- Do you want to join any clubs/units?
- Do you have questions on the events?
- Do you have questions on some of the terminologies of the Shrine?
- Do you have any questions about the hospitals?

This is our Temple, we are in this together!

Please send them all (ideas or questions or both) to me thru email: wildinnh2001@yahoo.com

**Thru mail: KENNY THOROUGHGOOD
189 Pembroke Rd.
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HOSPITAL PATIENT TRANSPORTATION FUND

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BEKTASH SHRINE

DONATION FROM:

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Troy Patoine
Thomas Murray, Sr.
John S. McLaughlin
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Richard J. Neal, Jr.

RETENTION FUND

DONATION FROM:

Richard L. Seavey

In Memoriam



EDWARD F BROWN DOVER, DE

Deceased: 08/16/2024
Born: 06/28/1939
Created: 01/09/1999

DELBERT F NUTTER QUEEN CREEK, AZ

Deceased: 08/29/2024
Born: 10/07/1938
Created: 04/18/2006

*To the promised land our friends have gone,
To the land of perfect rest;
Their work is done—and the setting sun
Has sealed their life's request.
They have left this earthly strand,
For the house beyond the sea,
Though the past is gone, they will still live on
To us all—Sweet in our Memory.*





Bektash Shrine Legion of Honor

Flag Fund

The Bektash Legion of Honor is restarting a Flag Fund, apparently, we had one years ago and it got passed by and forgotten. The purpose of the fund is for the Legion of Honor to fund purchase of new flags to replace the flags in front of the building, ceremonial flags and parade flags as needed.

The flags would fly at Bektash because of the Flag Fund.

The flags in front of the building fly 24 hours a day and get tattered and worn and need to be replaced occasionally. Ceremonial flags and parade flags are now over 20 years old and along with the flags the staffs are wearing.

If you would like to donate to help the Legion of Honor to be of service to Bektash and purchase new flags you can send a check made out to:

Bektash Legion of Honor
Memo: Bektash Flag Fund

And mail to:
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