

Sands

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Tampa, Florida



Season's Greetings

The Potentate's Message

Season's Greetings Nobles,

It's hard to believe that December is already upon us and we have not been able to use our new Temple. Obviously, the COVID pandemic and CO challenges have contributed to this reality. Stay positive, soon we will be able to use our new Temple. This year definitely has been a year of transition. Thank you all for your understanding as we finish out the year. We plan to close the year by making our appearance in as many holiday parades as possible. We will be sending out a communication with all parade details shortly. Your Divan has been working hard all year long and stands ready to execute next year's calendar of excellent events.



Enjoy your time together and don't forget to reach out to those who need help.

First Lady Carol and I wish you and your family Happy Holidays.

Looking forward to seeing you all in the New Year.

Dean DiLeo

Dean J. DiLeo
Egypt Shriners Potentate 2020



"Respect The Past ... Create The Future"

Egypt Shriners Clubs and Units Meeting Dates

Ambassadors Shrine Club.....	2nd Wednesday	Midget Motors.....	4th Wednesday
Brandon Shrine Club.....	4th Monday (Odd Months)	Motor Corps.....	2nd Thursday
Citrus Shrine Club.....	2nd Friday	New Port Richey Shrine Club.....	2nd Thursday
Cracker Jacks.....	Last Friday	Past Masters.....	1st Monday (Jan-May, Sep-Dec)
DeMolay Unit.....	4th Monday	Pharaohs.....	2nd Tuesday
Director's Staff.....	4th Tuesday	Pinellas Shrine Club.....	4th Tuesday
Fun N' Frolic.....	3rd Wednesday	Provost Guard.....	3rd Thursday
Greeters.....	2nd Wednesday	Ritual Team.....	1st Thursday (April/October)
Gun and Rod Club.....	3rd Monday	Showmen's Shrine Club.....	1st/3rd Monday (Nov-Mar)
Hernando County Shrine Club.....	4th Wednesday	Sultans of Egypt Shriners.....	3rd Monday
Highlanders Pipes & Drum.....	Every Thursday	Sun City Center Shrine Club.....	2nd Wednesday
Highlands Shrine Club.....	4th Wednesday	Tampa Cabiri Chapter.....	2nd Wednesday
Honor Patrol.....	3rd Monday	Technical Staff.....	1st Thursday
Humidor Club.....	4th Wednesday	Tin Lizzies.....	3rd Wednesday
Keystone Kops.....	1st Thursday	Trike Patrol.....	3rd Monday
Lakeland Shrine Club.....	2nd Thursday	Wheels Association.....	2nd Monday
Legion of Honor.....	1st Thursday After Council Mtg	Zephyrhills Shrine Club.....	3rd Thursday

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2020 Appointed Divan

1st Ceremonial Master.....Richard "Dick" Zach
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Director.....Jim Truchan
Marshall.....Barry Williams
Captain of the Guard.....Doug Egan
Outer Guard.....David Dzien

Chaplain.....Jefferson Lake

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Photographers Needed!

If interested please call Joel Furman at 201-919-1243.

December 2020

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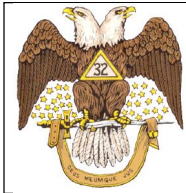
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Scottish Rite News

By Worshipful Casey Fletcher 33°, IGH

Stoic philosophy had its origin in the person of Zeno of Citium (334 BCE – 262 BCE). He founded a Stoic School in Athens around 300 BCE. Through a succession of leaders, students, followers and practitioners, the philosophy continued to develop for centuries through the life of the Roman emperor, Marcus Aurelius (121 CE-180 CE), who was known as the Philosopher King.

In between these two lives, are found several philosophers regularly mentioned in these missives: Cicero, Cato the Younger, Seneca and Epictetus.

The Stoics were most concerned with how to live a life of virtue; to be able to deal with and address realities in order to live a happy life. Theirs was not an academic pursuit, per se; neither was their course of action to learn to resign oneself to conditions beyond control or influence. Theirs was a pursuit to become better men, citizens and family members. Their pursuit was an “act of turning words into works.”

If this sounds Masonic – it is.

Antipater of Tarsus (-129 BCE) was referred to as the “Ethicist.” He is credited with leading the School to “bring the practice of everyday ethics to all facets of life.” Ethical behavior, he asserted, was a kind of craft that required real work and effort. He likened it to an archer. The archer draws the arrow, aims and fires; often falling short of the desired target. A successful archer must train and practice; again, and again; habitually.

As the archer will often miss, such is it in real life; we miss and fall short.

Being a good man and living a good life is hard work.

Antipater’s successor was Panaetius of Rhodes (185 – 109 BCE). He taught that learning and applying ethical and virtuous behavior was critical to discovering a balance or equilibrium in life, and to the performance of our duties. He categorizes four such duties: (i) those common to all human beings, (ii) duties unique to an individual’s talents and skills, (iii) duties derived from family or professional circumstances and (iv) duties that arise from commitments and decisions an individual

has made.

Sounds Masonic.

Masonic ritual is replete with “valuable instruction” from stoic philosophy. Such instruction can aid one’s life through continuous participation, learning, applying and practicing. We may never find the perfect balance of life and duty; we may never hit the bullseye. But we can have a better life and help others.

Our ancient brethren bequeathed to us much stoic philosophy and wisdom.

See you in Lodge.

The Scottish Rite meets at its Center in Tampa on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 PM, preceded by a 5:45 PM dinner. The Scottish Rite’s degrees will next be conferred on April 10th and 17th, 2021. Petitions are available at <http://tampascottishrite.org>. On December 14th, the 25th degree, Knight of the Brazen Serpent will be conferred at 6:10 PM. At the meeting, 2021 officers will be elected. Brother Robert N. Kershner will present a program.

The writer is the sitting Master of Tuscan Lodge No. 6 in Bartow, Florida. If he ever hit a bullseye with a bow and arrow, or high-powered, scoped rifle – it was by chance. He keeps practicing.



Highlands Shrine Club

By Noble Jerry Higginbotham

Greetings from the Ridge. It is with sadness we must report the passing of Lady Bernice Snoll. She was very active in the Ladies of the Highlands Shrine Club until her illness. She will be missed and we send our sincere sympathies to Noble Joe and family.

On Wednesday, October 28, 2020, the club held our monthly dinner business meeting while maintaining

social distancing and mask optional. It was a fun evening with good food and fellowship.

The club and ladies held a Spaghetti dinner fund raiser on Saturday, November 14th., Carryout only because of the virus. The profit from this fund raiser has not been determined but will go to help pay the bills of the club. Because of the virus, we have not been able to hold Saturday morning breakfasts and operate the stores to help cover our monthly overhead. In addition, the Ladies of the Shrine Club donated \$400.00 and the Dart Club \$50.00 to help with expenses. Thank you ladies and dart club.

Our Thanksgiving social was held on Saturday, November 21, 2020. Social at noon with lunch at 1:00PM. This allowed our members and ladies time to socialize, play darts, etc. and be home before dark. The food and fellowship was enjoyed by all and social distancing was observed.

Other activities that have resumed, our Stores are now open on Saturdays from 8:00 AM to Noon. Also, Darts on Friday evening 7PM, Wednesday Morning Coffees 8 to 10 AM and Tuesday evening ladies cards . Don't forget to check our website www.highlandsshrine.com to keep updated on special activities and possible changes during this period.

In closing, these are difficult times and your continued support of the Shrine Club and Egypt Shrine is appreciated. We pray for good health and safety for all our Nobles, Ladies and families during the Christmas holidays. Have a very Merry Christmas and God Bless.



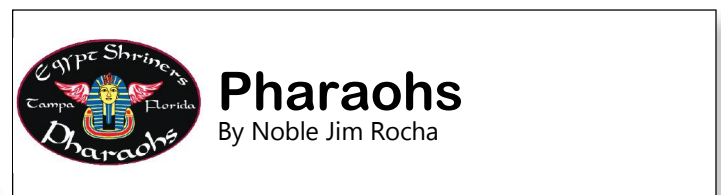
As we approach the end of 2020 and thank the Great Architect of the Universe that it is almost over, we are looking forward to a productive and active 2021. With all the difficulties that the Lodges have faced with the

COVID-19 pandemic, brothers not being able to attend Lodge, some Lodges barely having enough brothers to even open let alone put on degrees, the Past Masters stands ready and able to assist. Our unit, like all the units in the Shrine, have been meeting virtually throughout this very stressful time.

In October we did assist Hillsborough Lodge with the master's degree honoring our Illustrious Potentate, raising three brothers to the sublime degree of Master Mason.

As with many other units, we have canceled some of our programs. We usually hold a dinner in April for the widows of our departed brethren and we had to cancel that social function. We have traditionally provided brothers for the second section of the master's degree for John Darling Lodge Annual Labor Day Degree. With the closure of Lodges by order of the Grand Master for several months and then the limited reopening of those lodges three months later, it was impossible to have brothers ready to be raised and it limited seating within the lodge.

We are here to assist you with your degree work and look forward to assisting the lodges within the footprint of Egypt Temple. Contact our secretary at andyfosterharley@gmail.com that you would like for us to assist, and he will get the information to our director. We just ask that you give us about a months' notice so that we can assemble the team. We look forward to 2021 and helping all those lodges who would like for us to assist.



Our President Jeremy Knight has been working on a Christmas dinner – please stay tuned to emails. Thank you from those I've gotten generous donations for our new Unit room. If any other Regular, Life or Honorary members would like to make a one-time donation, please mail to me (Egypt Pharaohs).

Come back to Egypt Shriners and get involved and tell your Pharaohs stories 20-30 years from now. We have our own stories to create. Our next meeting is on the 2nd Tuesday at 7:30. Peace be with you.

INTERNATIONAL BYLAWS CHANGES

325.2 Election and Qualification.

(a) **Election Order.** The first 7 officers shall be elected annually, in the order in which they appear in 325.1 (a), by ballot and constitute the official divan. Candidates for elective office in a temple must be members in good standing of that temple.

325.10 Representatives.

(a) **Single Ballot.** Where a temple elects more than one Representative, all candidates must be balloted for on one written ballot.

(b) **Complete Ballot.** Each member voting must vote only for the total number of Representatives to be elected, otherwise his ballot cannot be counted as a vote.

(c) **Majority Vote.** A majority vote of those present and voting is necessary to elect each Representative.

(d) **Election.** Only those candidates who receive a majority vote shall be declared elected.

(e) **Successive Ballots.** Successive written ballots must then be taken in the same matter on other candidates until all Representatives are elected.

(f) **Highest Vote.** If more candidates receive a majority vote than the number of Representatives to be elected, then those receiving the greatest number of votes shall be declared elected.

(g) **Void Ballot.** Blank ballots or ballots containing any markings other than the name of a candidate nominated from the floor are not votes and are not to be considered for any purpose.

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 resume 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.

(d) **Notice.** At least one week prior to the annual meeting or any election, the temple Recorder shall mail to each member a notice thereof containing this section.

Oriental Guide Must Be Selected Wisely

When the Members of a Shrine Temple elect a Noble to the Office of Oriental Guide, they are virtually starting that Noble through the Divan Line, on the assumption that he will prove qualified for and worthy of advancement to the high office of Illustrious Potentate.

Hence, it is quite evident that the nomination for Oriental Guide should be based upon thorough and accurate evaluation of character, ability, prestige, interest and experience.

A Noble can be a good fellow, a hard worker and a loyal Shriner ... and yet lack basic qualifications which make a good Potentate. Unless a Noble is fully qualified for the job, he is unfair both to himself and his Temple in seeking the office or in permitting his fellow Nobles to support and promote his candidacy.

Each Shrine Temple needs and requires able, high-type leadership. The normal starting point of that leadership is the Office of Oriental Guide. The following checklist may prove helpful in evaluating candidates for the Office of Oriental Guide. However, no thinking man would be so naive or presumptuous as to believe that any one Noble could possibly embody all of the virtues, talents and qualifications which are set forth in this checklist. Nevertheless, the list has practical value ... for self-evaluation by the Noble whose ultimate aspiration is the Office of Illustrious Potentate ... and for advance evaluation of potential candidates by the voting members.

- Leadership
- Executive ability
- Business sense
- Community standing and influence
- Well poised
- Good Health
- Diplomacy
- Stage presence
- Competent organizer and promoter
- Ability to give and get cooperation
- Social grace
- Financially secure
- Energy and vitality
- Free to devote ample time
- Capable of building good public and Masonic relations
- Good habits and moral character
- Interest in the Shrine and Masonry in total
- Capable of delegating responsibility
- Understanding beforehand with wife and family.

Many Temples have placed definite limitations upon their progress and standing in the community as a result of hasty, ill-considered judgement in connection with nominations of the Office of Oriental Guide. Every Noble is a good Noble ... but it does not necessarily follow that every Noble is fitted to meet the rigorous demands imposed upon Divan Officers and Potentates.

So let's be fair, honest and wise in the all-important matter of electing to office only men who are eminently qualified for the job! We all know that with honor comes responsibility. And while there is high honor associated with a Divan Office, the ensuing responsibilities entail a lot of time consuming, energy-consuming

POTENTATES'S APPOINTMENTS TERMINATE WITH EXPIRATION OF ILLUSTRIOUS SIR'S TERM

For the information of uninformed Members of the Nobility, when a Potentate's term of office expires, all appointments made by him during his administration terminate.

Such appointments include all Appointed Officers, Potentate's Aides, Ambassadors, Commandant of Units, Members of Committees and their Chairmen, Special Appointees, Directors and Assistant Directors of Shrine Clubs and all Members of the Potentate's Staff.

It has been called to the attention of the Potentate that some uniformed Nobles have mistakenly believed, or assumed their appointments to be permanent.

OWN APPOINTMENTS

Not so. Each POTENTATE, when he is installed in office as CHIEF EXECUTIVE of a Temple of the Mystic Shrine, must make his own appointments, including six officers of the Divan - 1st and 2nd Ceremonial Masters, Director, Marshal Captain of the Guard and Outer Guard.

The POTENTATE has the power and authority under the Imperial Shrine law to replace any appointee; or he may, if he believes it to be in the best interest of the Temple to retain all appointees.

Traditionally, for the sake of efficiency, many Nobles of demonstrated ability are continued in office by reappointment. But this is at the will and pleasure of the incoming Potentate.

IS NOT BOUND

In no case is he, or can he be, bound by his predecessor. By the same token, in no case can any Potentate bind his successor.

Courtesy requires that a Noble holding an appointive office, position or assignment tender his resignation to the incoming Potentate. If it is the will and pleasure of the incoming Potentate that the Noble continue in his office or position by reappointment, he will be notified by the Potentate to that effect.

In the event a Noble is not reappointed for the ensuing year, he should deliver the INSIGNIA or EMBLEM of office to the Recorder. Also, he should deliver the

official Fez carrying such lettering as "DIVAN" or any title or committee or staff designated to the Recorder unless he is allowed by the incoming Potentate to keep the official Fez for sentimental reason.

REMOVING LETTERING

If the gift Fez is worn, all lettering except the name of the Temple should be removed.

Should any Noble not holding an appointment by the current Potentate wear a Fez carrying such title as "AIDE" or "AMBASSADOR" or any other designation, he does so in violation of the Imperial Code.

Some title-happy Nobles seek to perpetuate an appointment fictitiously by adding to the lettering on the Fez the year or years of their appointment. This is in violation of Imperial Law. The offenders may be uninformed, but "ignorance of the law is no excuse."

IMPERIAL CODE

For the information of all concerned, quoted in section 110, Article XVI of the Imperial Code: "The Red Turkish Fez with Black Tassel bearing only the name of the Temple of which the Noble is an active Member, with a facsimile of a scimitar and that portion of the jewel of the Order consisting of the crescent, sphinx head, and star combined, embroidered thereon with gold and silver bullion or silk is hereby adopted as the exclusive type of head covering to be worn by all Nobles of the Mystic Shrine when appearing as such. The Fez is to be worn in its proper shape and without creasing or alteration; provided that it is permissible for Potentates, Past Potentates, Recorder and Divan Member as well as official uniformed organization to have their titles embroidered in small letter in gold or silver bullion or silk jewels on the front of the Fez beneath the emblem.

It shall be permissible to adorn the names of the Temple and the emblem with rhinestone jewels of size no larger than that known as No. 12 by the Fez makers."

"The use of any other WORDING or DEVICES than those mentioned in this Section and Article is prohibited."

It also points up the fact that the use of NUMERALS to date the year or years of service by the erstwhile appointee, making the Fez look like an obsolescent calendar, is prohibited.



All Nobles

We are now sending Egypt Shrine emails using the Constant Contact email client. We have many of your emails, but we are missing many of them. To communicate to you we need your Correct Emails. If you are not receiving any emails from Egypt Shrine by way of Constant Contact please send us your current email so we can add you to the list so you can receive all the information for the Temple. If you know of another Noble that may not be getting any of our emails please advise him to let us know. With the opening of the New Building we will have a lot going on and we want you all to know about all the activities. We want you all informed about what is going on in your Temple.

Please send all emails and requests to the Assistant Rabban at

rhoede@gmail.com

to be add to the email list.

MARK YOUR
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Saturday, February 20th, 2021

For the Egypt Shriners

103rd Potentate's Ball

*Egypt Shrine
Tampa, Florida*

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Egypt Shriner's 103rd Potentate's Ball Housing Form

Hampton Inn & Suites
10240 Causeway Blvd., Riverview, Florida, 33619
(Do Not Mail to Hotel)

Date: February 19 – February 21, 2021

Cut-off: Feb 5, 2021

Please Check your Preferences

Cost per Night: \$179 (Taxes/Fees Included)

Standard Room: ☐ King Size bed: ☐ Handicap Accessible: ☐

Arrive on: _____ Depart on: _____

Your Name: _____ Lady's Name: _____

Temple/Unit/Club: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: Home: _____ Work: _____ Cell: _____

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Chief Rabban Doug “Dewey” Haeberlein and his Lady Kellie
would like to invite you to join them on the

2021 Egypt Shriner Cruise

Dates: 9/11/2021 – 9/18/2021

Carnival’s brand new ship, Mardi Gras, will be sailing out of Port Canaveral on a 7 night Exotic Eastern Caribbean cruise to San Juan, Amber Cove, and Grand Turk. This beautiful ship is packed with “Fun Zones”, new stylish staterooms, and even a roller coaster! Some of the ship’s highlights include:

- The French Quarter features *Emeril’s Bistro 1396™*, the first restaurant at sea from chef Emeril Lagasse (BAM!).
- The Ultimate Playground zone features *BOLT™*: Ultimate Sea Coaster, the first roller ever on a cruise ship.
- Summer Landing delivers casual summer classics any time of year, with Guy Fieri at *Guy’s Pig & Anchor Smoke house/Brew house*, poolside bar *The Watering Hole...* plus *Swirls* soft serve (one of two on the ship!).
- Lido is not only debuting the *Red Frog Tiki Bar* and *Shaq’s Big Chic*, but the first-time-fresh *Street Eats*, which serves up fast bites like empanadas & falafel.



- Inside rooms start at \$609.00 per person plus taxes and fees (\$127.64/person)
 - Balcony rooms start at \$894.00 per person plus taxes and fees (\$127.64/person)
- ❖ Other cabin categories available. Prices are subject to change and are capacity controlled.

For more information contact:

Nancy Clark, A.C.C.

813-527-6574

nclark@cruiseplanners.com



Mardi Gras 7 Day Exotic Eastern Caribbean from Port Canaveral, FL			
Port	Day	Arrive	Depart
Port Canaveral, Florida Boarding Time: 1:00pm – 3:00pm	Sat		4:00pm
At sea	Sun		
At sea	Mon		
San Juan, Puerto Rico	Tue	7:00am	4:00pm
Amber Cove, Dominican Republic	Wed	9:00am	6:00pm
Grand Turk, Turks and Caicos	Thu	7:00am	4:00pm
At sea	Fri		
Port Canaveral, Florida	Sat	7:00am	

All prices are per person and based on double occupancy and subject to change. FST#TI54785



“Queen of Hearts”

Pull Tab Game

Fundraiser for Egypt Shriners

\$1.00 a ticket with no limit that can be purchased

Drawings held on every Thursday night at 7:30 PM

In the Oasis Bar at Egypt Shrine

Come out for fellowship, fun and the drawing

WIN 

Enjoy the Cash Bar

Open to everyone, Family and Friends!

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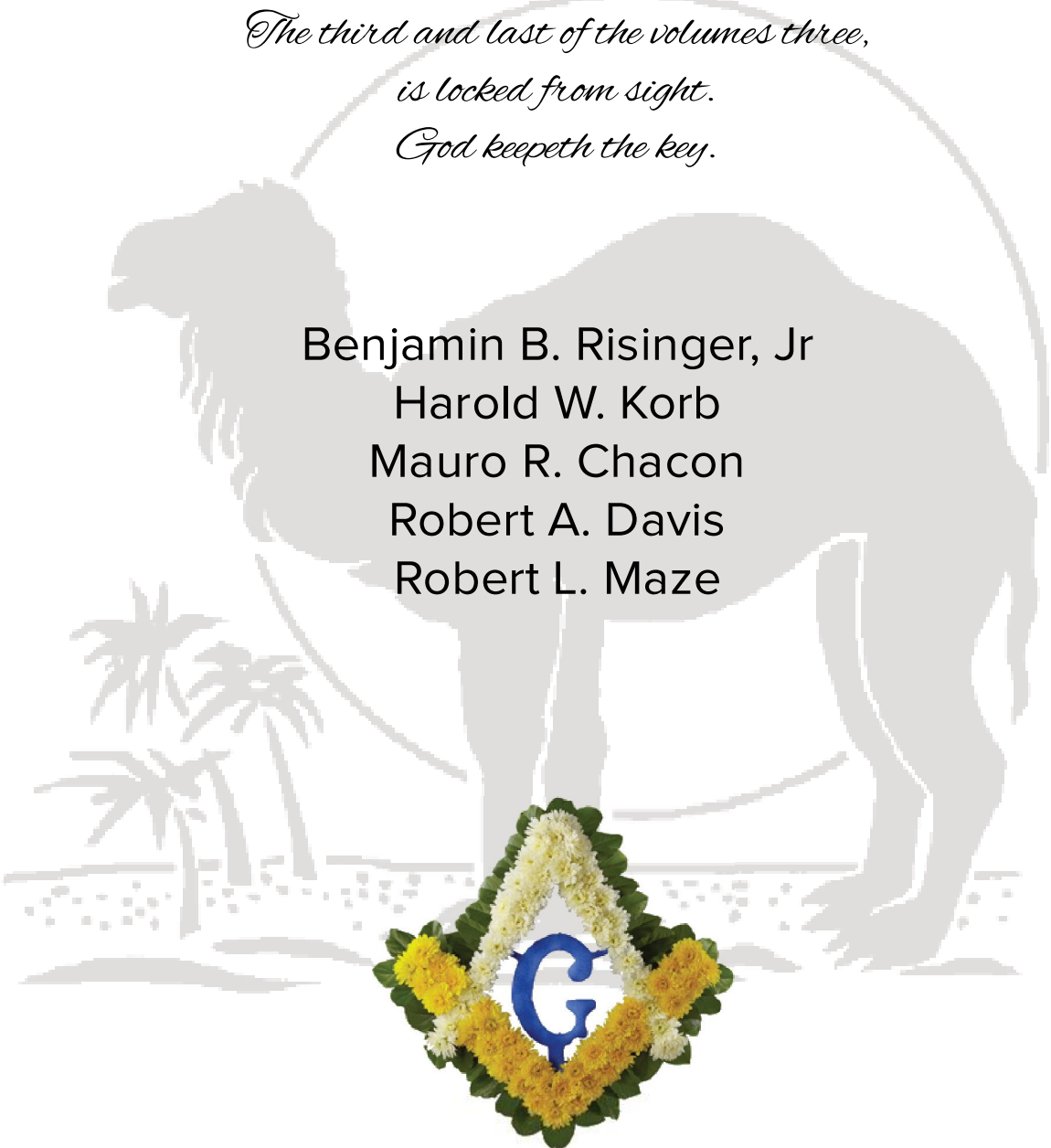
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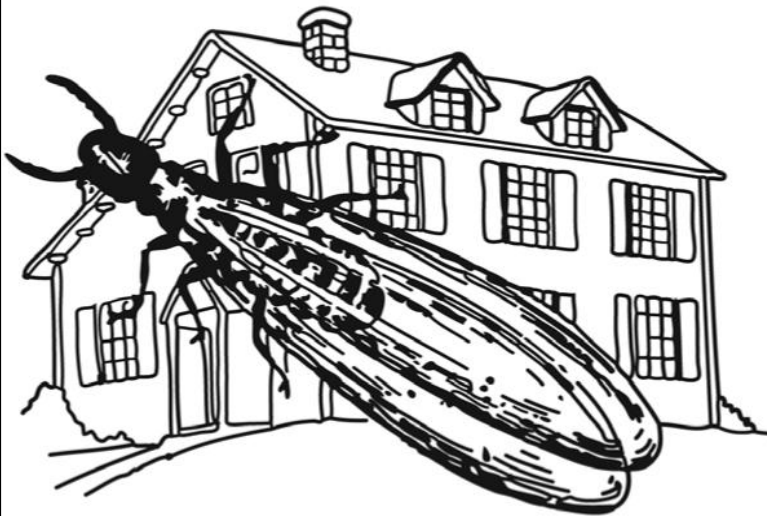
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