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# The Ali Ghan Red Fez

ALI GHAN SHRINERS TEMPLE  
13100 ALI GHAN ROAD NE  
CUMBERLAND, MD 21502  
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# JANUARY

HAPPY  
New Year

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***“No Man Stands So Tall As When He  
Stoops To Help A Child.”***



## *From the Potentate's Desk*

To the Nobles and Ladies of Ali Ghan Shrine, I would like to extend a heartfelt thank-you for allowing me to once again serve as your Potentate.

With the help and hard work of the Divan, and many Nobles and Ladies, Ali Ghan is once again looking to a bright future.

For an example, one of our Divan members partnered with Boumi Shriners in raising over \$14,000 for the Shriners Children's Hospital in Philadelphia, and we also had approximately \$13,000 raised earlier in the year that was also donated to the Hospital.

Multiple improvements were made at Ali Ghan this year: the removal of shrubbery, etc. for future parking created a new vista for the picnic grounds. The kitchen at Ali Ghan has also been renovated to meet all expected standards.

Several fundraising events were also held at Ali Ghan this year. The tailgate party with bluegrass music was outstanding, the rodeo held at the picnic grounds and the golf tournament were also both huge successes. The Ladies' Night dinner and dance was a very nice evening, and the Quarter Auction was a great time! The Ali Ghan Children's Christmas Party and the Eggnog Party were very enjoyable events to help close out the year. The Ace of Clubs on Wednesdays will continue through 2023. **The Ali Ghan Shiner of the Year for 2022 is our "Go-to-Guy" -Blaine Bender.**

Please support **Potentate-Elect Mike Starliper and his First Lady Michelle** in the coming year.

To old friends and new, Lady Darcy and I thank you for the honor and privilege of serving Ali Ghan Shrine.  
Please remember: "The Heart of Ali Ghan-Children"

As Master Masons we belong to the greatest fraternity on Earth. As Shriners we have the privilege of extending our ethos through our work for children and our hospitals.

Yours in faith,

**E. William DuVall II**  
Potentate 2022



# Office of the Recorder

Bruce Whitaker, Ali Ghan Recorder



- Membership Facts from the Recorder:
- ❖ As of December 18, 2022, our membership is at 598 members.
  - ❖ Ali Ghan began the year with 611 members.
  - ❖ To date, we have had 10 creations, 2 affiliations, 4 restorations, 12 demits, 16 deceased and 1 resigned.
  - ❖ Our projected membership for the year 2024 is 518, year 2026 464 and in ten years 333.
  - ❖ We are currently projecting 31 Nobles to be suspended at the end of the year for non-payment of dues.
  - ❖ (Yes, notices to this effect have been mailed to those projected for suspension.)
  - ❖ Our average age for members is 67, with a maximum age of 98 and the minimum age of 26.
  - ❖ While our average age for members is 67 our newly elected Divan for 2023 the average age is 52.
- ❖ *Needless to say, we need to build our membership, with your help we can!***



## [Annual Election Meeting - Dec 7th 2022]

The following Nobles were elected:

POTENTATE - Mike Starliper  
CHIEF RABBAN - Blaine Bender  
ASSISTANT RABBAN - Darrell Lake  
HIGH PRIEST & PROPHET - Andrew Cope  
ORIENTAL GUIDE - Jon Evans  
TREASURER - Roger Mullenax  
RECORDER - Bruce Whitaker  
FINANCIAL ADVISORY - Jeff Grogg, PP, Robert Adams

Imperial Representatives:

Mike Starliper  
Blaine Bender  
Darrell Lake

# A Must Share... (from the Recorder's Office)

2022

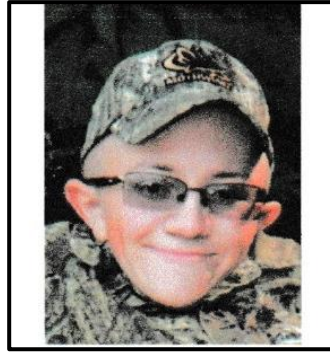
Ali Ghan Shriners -

Because of you,  
there's someone who  
is thanking God today,  
Someone who appreciates  
your warm and caring way,  
Someone who's remembering  
the special things you do  
And wishing you His blessings  
every day  
the whole year through.

Blessings + Love  
in memory of my son, Dustin

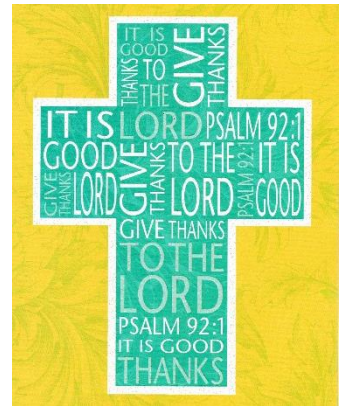
Dustin's MamaBear Cindy

Dustin was a one of 'Our' Shriner's Patients



Dustin Michael Darby

Born on May 22, 1997  
Darby "Gotcha Day" April 10, 2003  
Departed on June 22, 2022



Lil Man DD - Dustin Darby

God watched you as you suffered  
and knew you had your share,  
He gently closed your weary eyes  
and took you in His care.

God saw you were getting tired,  
and a cure was not to be.  
So He put his arms around you,  
and whispered, "Come with Me."

With tearful eyes we watched you suffer,  
and saw you fade away.  
Although we loved you dearly,  
We could not make you stay.

A golden heart stopped beating,  
hard working hands to rest.  
God broke our hearts to prove to us,  
He only takes the best.

2022

Thank you for giving  
Dustin the gift of a  
childhood ~ that went  
beyond expectation ~  
to age 25.

We were a proud, blessed  
& grateful Shriner family.

Thank you for honoring  
him at his funeral  
with your members who  
came to honor him  
You have no idea how much  
this meant.

There are those whose lives  
death cannot diminish.  
Their love radiates forever  
in the hearts of family  
and friends.

I ~~we~~ felt that love  
in your thoughtfulness.  
Thank you so much.

The family of  
my son, Dustin  
Blessings and Love  
Dustin's MamaBear Cindy

# SOME UNIT NEWS

## The Railroad unit's Lucky Number calendars are back for 2023!

These make wonderful and thoughtful Christmas presents 🎁...the gift that keeps on giving all year round! 🍀



### Where can I buy one?

- Parkview liquor Store on Greene Street [Parkview Liquor Store](#)
- Bedford Road liquor Store on Bedford Road, [Bedford Road Liquor Store](#)
- K-Bar in South Cumberland.

**How much are they?** ~ The calendars are \$20 a piece (not tax deductible)

### What is the money raised for? 💰

The money raised by the sale of the Railroad Unit's calendars will be added to the RR's unit maintenance fund and will be used to repair the train tracks, maintain the train in working order, buy fuel for the locomotive etc.

### How do they work?

Each calendar has a number printed on the front (valid from January 1st, 2023, through December 31st 2023). Every evening a number is drawn. If your number is drawn, then you win the amount printed on the calendar for that day! Multiple wins are possible!! See reverse of calendar for more information.

🍀 There is only a limited amount of Lucky number calendars so hurry up before they are all gone! 🍀

Motor Corps raffle results: 1st place winner: [Sam Wilson](#), 2nd place winner: [James Twigg](#), 3rd place winner: [Ed Richards](#). Drawing at the monthly meeting Tuesday, 12/13/22  
Video of the drawing is posted on the [Ali Ghan Facebook Page](#).

**RAFFLE**  
1st Prize: Glock 27 Gen 5  
40 S & W w/holster  
OR \$500.00 CASH  
2nd Prize: \$50 Gift Card from J & S Pawn & Guns  
3rd Prize: \$25 Gift Card from J & S Pawn & Guns  
Maryland residents must have HQL License  
Prizes are at J & S Ridgeley, WV  
Proceeds benefit the  
"Ali Ghan Motor Corp"  
Tickets \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00  
Drawing Date December 13, 2022  
Not tax deductible





RE TEMPLE NO. 118 DON  
NEWS

Re Temple's December 15, 2022, Stated Session was canceled due to the weather conditions.  
The make-up Stated Session will be held on Thursday, January 19, 2023 at 7:30 p.m. in the Memorial room of the Ali Ghan Shrine Club.

The Temple will be holding a Gently Used Formal Wear Sale on Sunday, January 22, 2023,  
beginning at 2:00 p.m. in the ballroom of the Ali Ghan Shrine Club. The event will also consist of vendors and a bake sale.

**Our 2023 "Sweet Treats"**  
**Calendar Opportunity Tickets are Now Available**

This year the calendar consists of a \$25.00 gift card for each day in the month of February 2023.

You have 28 opportunities to win with your purchased of a \$10.00 ticket!

Contact a Temple member or the Pr. Recorder (301-729-8220) or email:  
<mailto:Re118recorder@gmail.com> for tickets.

*Judith Hall, P.O.  
Pr. Recorder*



*Plans are being made for a Valentine's Dance so keep an eye out for information to be posted.*



Grand Assembly of Maryland, International Order of the Rainbow for Girls.

The International Order of the Rainbow for Girls is a Masonic youth group for girls aged 10-21, that helps girls develop leadership skills and confidence through community service. Any girl between the ages of 10-21 can join this amazing organization. Contact your local assembly to find out more today!

Contact: Emily Metheny, Grand Worthy Advisor  
<mailto:emilymetheny.iorg@gmail.com>



# Upcoming Events



Plan to Attend the

**Annual Temple Meeting**

**Saturday, January 7<sup>th</sup> @ 4:00 PM  
in the Mecca Room**

*All Nobles must have a paid dues card and  
their Fez to attend.*

*E. William DuVall II*

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Potentate 2022

*Bruce W Whitaker*  
BRUCE W WHITAKER  
RECORDER 2022

*Make plans and reservations to attend the Installation & festivities following the meeting.*



## Recommended Accommodations for Out of Town Guests:

This is very close to the Temple, and they'll offer a good rate to those coming to Ali Ghan

### Sleep Inn & Suites

Ph # 301-759-0270  
Address: 13320 Ali Ghan Rd., Cumberland  
Room Rate: \$79.00



**Reservations  
NEEDED  
BY 12/30**

You are Cordially Invited to the 2023 Ali Ghan  
Installation of Officers

**MICHAEL STARLIPER,  
POTENTATE ELECT and LADY MICHELLE**

*January 7, 2023*

5:30 ~ Cocktails

6:30 ~ Dinner

7:30 ~ Installation

Ali Ghan Temple Ballroom  
13100 Ali Ghan Road N.E., Cumberland, MD

**RSVP to the Office of the Recorder @ (301) 722-5970  
by December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

*\$40 per person, hors d'oeuvres, dinner, and dancing  
\*\*FORMAL ATTIRE ~ Nobles Must Have Their Fez*

### Ali Ghan Slate of Officers for 2023

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Menu provided by

Appetizers: Bourbon meatballs, chicken wings, charcuterie board

❖ Dinner choice #1- 10oz fillet, baked potato, grilled asparagus, and salad

❖ Dinner Choice #2- Chicken Chesapeake, baked potato, grilled asparagus, and salad

*\*\*Band will provide music for dancing & celebration after installation.*

**UPCOMING EVENT**  
Hosted by Boscov's Travel

And so the **ADVENTURE** Begins

**TRAVEL**

Join Ali Ghan Shrine for an In-Person Presentation on their upcoming **Mt. Rushmore, Yellowstone & Western Frontiers Tour**

**DATE** Wednesday, January 11, 2023 **TIME** 6:30PM  
**LOCATION** 13100 Ali Ghan Rd. NE, Cumberland, MD

Join Chief Rebbe Michael and Lady Michelle Starfiper and Boscov's Travel for a presentation on the Mt. Rushmore, Yellowstone & Western Frontiers Tour, traveling August 23-31, 2023. Tour highlights include: roundtrip air transportation, eight (8) nights' hotel accommodations, twelve (12) meals: eight (8) breakfasts, four (4) dinners, sightseeing and visits, and so much more! Learn more at our upcoming in-person travel presentation.

**RSVP**  
This event is free. Registration is required. RSVP today at 800-782-5605 or email [groupravel@boscovs.com](mailto:groupravel@boscovs.com)

Event hosted by Boscov's Travel, Group Department  
800-782-5605, [groupravel@boscovs.com](mailto:groupravel@boscovs.com)  
[boscovstravel.com](http://boscovstravel.com)



Ace of Clubs every Wednesday unless otherwise announced.

*The World is Your Oyster*

You're invited

*Past First Ladies Luncheon*

Ali Ghan Shrine Club

January 15<sup>th</sup> 2023 at 2:00 pm in the dining room

Please join us in celebrating all Past First Ladies

Lunch will be served  
\$20.00 Per Person

R.S.V.P. by January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023, by calling the Recorder's Office @ 301-722-5970





Tri-State Concert Series \*\*Visit Their Site or  
Remember... **Shriners get \$5.00 off from each ticket purchase**

It's official! Our Rockin' Classics 2023 dates are set, and great things are happening in 2023! If you don't have your tickets ordered yet - do so soon! Seats are selling and the best choices are now. The season starts Saturday February 25 so don't be late! Buffets will continue ..... bar will be open ..... and music will be rockin'!

Attached is the line-up for Rockin' Classics 2023 season. Also, our Christmas show for 2023 will be Friday, December 15, 2023: MotorTown All Star Christmas returns (sold out in March 2022!). Tickets for this show will go on sale later in 2023. (And maybe more surprises?)

If you have ordered tickets, they are back from the printers and will be mailed in early January 2023. If you have not ordered, please call our box office at 301-876-4880 (daily 9am-6pm) or leave a message after hours. Or email us at [tscamusic.info@gmail.com](mailto:tscamusic.info@gmail.com)

Great season is coming - Hope you have a wonderful, safe and Happy New Year! See you in February!

*Tri-State Community Concert Association Board of Directors*  
[Click here or the flier to open the PDF](#)



*Tri-State Community Concert Association presents*  
**Rockin' Classics 2023**

 February 25, 2023 Chris Ruggiero Sounds of the 60's <a href="http://chrisruggierosings.com">chrisruggierosings.com</a>	 March 18, 2023 The Vogues "5 O'Clock World" "Turn Around, Look at Me"	 September 23, 2023 The Classics IV "Traces, Spooky"
 October 14, 2023 Gary Puckett and the Union Gap "Young Girl, Lady Willpower"	 November 11, 2023 Beginnings: Salute to the Music of Chicago "25 or 6 to 4, Saturday in the Park"	

**ONE TICKET. SAME RESERVED SEAT.  
5 INCREDIBLE SHOWS!**  
Section A - Rows A-P \$205    Section B - Rows Q-Z \$185

**RESERVE SEASON TICKETS ON SALE NOW**  
**301-876-4880**

All shows at the Ali Ghan Shrine Club  
13100 Ali Ghan Rd  
Cumberland Maryland 21502

Sponsored in part by the Maryland State Arts Council, Allegany Arts Council and the Allegany Chamber of Commerce



*As we reflect on the past year as it comes to a close, Steve Grogg, the 2022 Golf Tournament Chairman wants to share this information and thank everyone who supported the Golf Tournament and we look forward to the 34<sup>th</sup> Tournament in 2023!*

# 33<sup>RD</sup> ALI GHAN SHRINERS

## GOLF TOURNAMENT

In Memory of Gary “Gus” Cook

### Gold Sponsors

Upchurch Funeral Home  
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The Cook Family



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Service Unlimited  
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Stifel Nicolaus Financial  
The Gilmore Family  
Wells Fargo Financial  
WEPCO Federal Credit Union  
B & B Meats (Hamburgers and Hot Dogs)  
Oakland Golf Course (Gift Certificate)

# PHOTO SHARE



Photos provided by  
1<sup>st</sup> Lady Darcy  
Duvall from the  
2022 Children's  
Christmas Party



Members of the Ali Ghan Band meet  
at Oscar's for a Holiday get together.  
*Photo provided by Becky Beachy*



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## *In Memory of . . .*

### **Runs until...MARCH 2023**

Irene Brant ~*In Memory of* Harold 'Pete' Brant

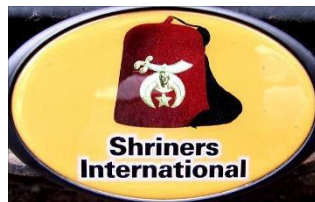
### **Runs until...APRIL 2023**

*In Memory of* Jackson Lawson

## **Boosters ~ Supporters**

**Runs Thru April 2023** - Jackson Lawson

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- the month you want your memorial, memory, or in honor of your loved one
- names you want printed
- mail your information and **payment** to: the **Recorder's Office Ali Ghan Shriners P.O. Box 1416, Cumberland, MD 21502**
- or send your ad electronically **<mailto:recorderalighan@atlanticbbn.net>** and drop payment by the office of the Recorder
- Money will go towards the expenses of the temple. The cost of the Red Fez is minimal with e-publication as the primary output.
- Call 301-722-5970 and speak with Bruce Whitaker, Recorder**



**WHERE THERE IS A VOID  
NEGATIVITY WILL FILL IT**

COMMUNICATE, COMMUNICATE, COMMUNICATE

# The RED FEZ



*A Place to SHARE News and More and Show Off **Ali Ghan!**  
So **'THINK'** snap a pic – Make text and Submit to the Recorder or  
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Messenger, or text.*

Please submit your news, articles, photos and more that you want ran in the Red Fez **by the 25<sup>th</sup>** of the Month so it can be ready for the upcoming month issue to go out at the beginning of a new month.

**Please send ALL information to the recorder @ 301-722-5970**

<mailto:recorderalighan@atlanticbbn.net>

*If you need to reach out to TL Consulting <mailto:tlconsulting4u@gmail.com>*



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Help transform children's lives  
and support a cuddly cause with  
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Fezzy® is a  
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We are thrilled to share that our Fezzy bear is back in stock! Fezzy is a [Build-A-Bear Workshop](http://ow.ly/o6rs50JuOeS) online exclusive! Order yours today @ [http://ow.ly/o6rs50JuOeS!](http://ow.ly/o6rs50JuOeS)

## Shriner Shopping...

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- **Check out the Shriner's Market**  
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- **Shriner's Hospital for Children Apparel**
- **The Mason Zone**

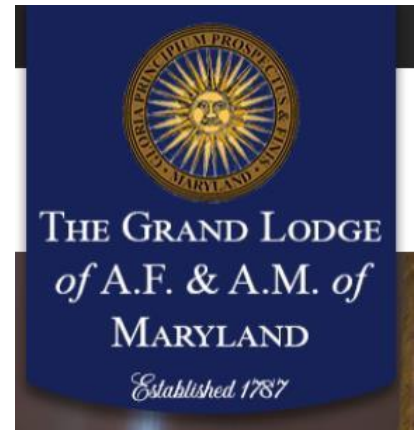
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GUMBERLAND, MD

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Tomorrow..... Today!  
Buy a Brick

8 x 8 brick \$150 - 4 x 8 brick \$100  
These are a great way to honor or  
remember a loved one.  
Order form available in the  
Recorder's Office



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## My FezCard Viewer

Shriners International

- ✓ [Donate to the Hospitals](#)
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Links to the Official Ali Ghan's private & public social media pages.



ALI GHAN SHRINE CLUB  
Your group



Ali Ghan Shriners  
1,886 followers




# BOLO

be on the lookout



**LOOK  
WHAT'S  
NEW!**

## In the February Issue:

- 
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  - ✚ The 2023 Potentate's Calendar
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  - ✚ 2023 Installation Photos
  - ✚ Celebration of PAST 1<sup>st</sup> Ladies from the Jan. Luncheon
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  - ✚ Website continuous updates as 2023 begins



# UPCOMING NEWS & EVENTS



**2023**  
HAPPY NEW YEAR!

