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*Ladies Handbook*

# ADDRESSES AND CONTACT NUMBERS

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Website: [www.abashrine.com](http://www.abashrine.com)

*The website is where you will find all up to date information*

Name of the Temple Newsletter: Abou Ben Adhem Shrine News

## IMPERIAL SHRINE HEADQUARTERS

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Tampa, FL 33607-1460  
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Tampa, FL 33631-3356  
813-291-0300

## LINKS

International home site with links to hospitals:

[www.shrinershospitalsforchildren.org](http://www.shrinershospitalsforchildren.org)

For Nobles & Ladies:

[www.shrinersvillage.com](http://www.shrinersvillage.com)

[www.abashrine.com](http://www.abashrine.com)

[ladies.abashrine.com](http://ladies.abashrine.com)

For those considering becoming a Shriners:

[www.beashrinernow.com](http://www.beashrinernow.com)



## WHAT'S A SHRINER?

A Shriner is a man who professes a faith in God.  
As a man of faith he uses the tools of moral and Ethical truths to serve mankind.

A Shriner binds himself to like-minded men in a Brotherhood that transcends all religious, ethical, social, cultural, and educational differences.

In fellowship, with his brothers, a Shriner finds ways in which to serve his God, his family, his fellow man, and his country.

A Shriner is dedicated. He recognizes his responsibility for justice, truth, charity, enlightenment, freedom and liberty, honesty and integrity in all aspects of human endeavor.

A Shriner is such a man!!

## MISSION OF SHRINERS INTERNATIONAL

Be the premier fraternal organization for men of good character.

Provide attractive, quality programs and services for its members, their families and their friends in a spirit of fun, fellowship and social camaraderie.

Foster self-improvement through leadership, education, the perpetuation of moral values and community involvement.

Serve mankind through the resources of its philanthropy, Shriners Hospitals for Children.

## SHRINE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

***"I pledge allegiance to my flag, and to the country for which it stands;  
one nation under God; indivisible; with liberty and justice for all."***

Shriners and their Ladies should show respect for all flags and anthems. American women should have hand over their heart during the American anthem, hands respectfully at side during others.



## TEMPLE LEADERSHIP

Shrine Leadership positions have, for the newcomer, odd sounding titles. In addition, some positions are elected and some are appointed. Appointments are made by the sitting Potentate.

Potentate – This is, essentially, the President of the Shrine Temple. It is an elected position. The Nobles vote, annually, for their choice of Potentate.

Chief Rabban – 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President. As with the Potentate, this is also an elected position. It is expected that the Chief Rabban will, the following year, be elected to the position of Potentate.

Assistant Rabban – 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President. This is also an elected position. It is expected that the Assistant Rabban will, the following year, be elected to the position of Chief Rabban.

High Priest and Prophet – 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President. Another elected position. It is expected that the High Priest and Prophet will, the following year, be elected to the position of Assistant Rabban.

Oriental Guide – 4<sup>th</sup> Vice President – Yet another elected position. In some Temples this is an appointment of the incoming Potentate, but then he has to be elected by the Nobility to become Oriental Guide. It is expected that the Oriental Guide will, the following year, be elected to the position of High Priest and Prophet.

The appointed officers by the Potentate include: First Ceremonial Master, Second Ceremonial Master, Marshal, Captain of the Guard, Outer Guard and Chaplain.

Two other elected and critical positions are:

Treasurer – just what it sounds like

Recorder – Secretary and more!

The Board of Directors for the Temple, as with any board, govern the Temple. They are the management Team. An older term is “Divan” and the Ladies are the “Divan Ladies.”



## TERMS, ACTIVITIES & EVENTS COMMON TO THE SHRINE

**Assistant Rabban** – the second vice-president of the Temple Divan

**Caravan** – the annual parade of all Shrine units and clubs

**Chaplain** – responsible for giving the prayers at the Temple. Offers prayers, blessings & benedictions as called upon.

**Chief Rabban** – the first vice-president of the Temple Divan

**Crescent & Scimitar** – the Shrine emblem

**CSSA** – Central States Shrine Association – the group of 24 Shrine Temples in our area who meet on an annual basis to celebrate, entertain and have unit/club competitions.

**Divan** – the group of governing elected and/or appointed officials of each Shrine Temple. The top five officers typically progress towards the Potentate position.

**Dress** – if the noble forgets to introduce his lady, it is said he must purchase a dress for his Lady

**Fez** – the red head gear worn by the Shriners

**High Priest and Prophet** – the third vice-president of the Temple Divan

**Hospitals** – the Shrine has 22 hospitals to help children with orthopedic, spinal column, cleft lip and palate, and burn needs

**Illustrious Sir** – title of the present and past Potentates are addressed as

**Imperial** – the governing body of Shriners International

**Imperial Sir** – title given to an officer of the Imperial Divan

**Lady** – a spouse or female friend of a Shriner

**Masonic** – every Shriner must be a member of this Fraternity, except in Arkansas

**Noble** – the title each Shriner is addressed by

**Oriental Guide** – the newest elected Divan member and fourth vice-president of the Temple

**Potentate** – the President or CEO of the Shrine Temple, elected for a one year term

**Recorder** – responsible for the records of the Temple

**Shriners** – the authorized term for referring to the local nobles

**Shriners Hospitals for Children** – a Colorado Corporation

**Shriners International** – an Iowa Corporation

**Stated Meeting** – the regular business meeting of the Temple

**Temple** – authorized term for referring to the local Shrine building. Can also be referred to as the local Shriners and their organization.

**Treasurer** – responsible for the monies of the Temple

**Unit/Club** – a group of Shriners who has a common interest and enjoys getting together. A Noble can belong to both a unit and a club.



## ABOUT BEN ADHEM SHRINERS UNITS AND CLUBS

The Nobility is highly encouraged to join at least one Unit or Club. Units and Clubs are essential to Abou Ben Adhem Shriners, providing members with a meeting place and defined social activities. There is a large variety in the Units and Clubs of Abou Ben Adhem Shriners, each dedicated to the Fraternity and under the jurisdiction of Abou Ben Adhem Shriners Potentate. These organizations are composed of men who share a passion, enthusiasm or hobby. Many have Ladies meetings or offer activities for Ladies when they meet. With such a wide array of Units and Clubs offered at Abou Ben Adhem Shriners, a list has been composed listing a brief description of the mission and when they meet.

Units and Clubs have their own bylaws and, therefore, their own officers. Each Unit or Club defines the officers and terms of office.

Many Units have international affiliations and, therefore, have their own conventions. Some occur during Imperial Session.

Imperial bylaws restrict Ladies from being in a Shrine parade. In Civic parades, Nobles, their Ladies and children may participate with the approval of the Potentate, so long as their Ladies and children participate only as passengers in non-performing, non-competing vehicles with no less than 4 wheels. HOWEVER, Ladies are encouraged to attend parades, whenever possible. It's fun and shows your support of the Nobles and the Shrine.

## DRESS CODE GUIDELINES

*Remember, Ladies, this is only a guideline as Dress Code mean different things in different parts of Shriners International.*

	Ladies	Nobles
<b>Formal</b>	Long Dress	Black Tux, Fez
<b>Cocktail</b>	Cocktail Dress or Evening Pants with Dressy Top	Suit, Dress Shirt, Tie, Fez
<b>Dinner Attire</b>	Nice Dress or Pant Suit	Suit, Sport Coat, Tie, or in some places a White Dinner Jacket, Fez
<b>Business Casual</b>	Slacks or Skirt, Blouse, Jacket or sweater	Sport Slacks, Casual Shirt, Maybe Jacket, Fez
<b>Casual</b>	Slacks, Capris or Shorts and Casual Shirt	Slacks, Shorts, Casual Shirt, Fez optional
<b>Picnic Attire</b>	Shorts, Capris, Jeans with Casual Shirt	Shorts, Jeans, Casual Shirt



## SHRINE LADIES

The Shrine Ladies Club shall be composed of wives, widows, mothers, daughters or a lady of any member in good standing of Abou Ben Adhem Temple or any other Temple. This group is managed by the wives of the Divan Officers of the ABA Temple. They will plan and execute entertainment and activities for the two Shrine Ceremonials in June and December of each year, along with at least four monthly meetings and additional functions throughout the year.

A yearly dues of \$15 shall be payable annually at the December Ceremonial for the following year. Those ladies with a paid membership will receive notifications and invitations to all special events, meetings and activities. All Novice ladies will receive a free dues card at their incoming Ceremonial.

The ladies also have a website where we will keep updated fliers and information for upcoming events. You can check this out at [ladies.abashrine.com](http://ladies.abashrine.com) or go to the ABA website ([abashrine.com](http://abashrine.com)) and pull down on Shrine Ladies under "Clubs/Units". On this site you can also view our By-Laws and Constitution along with the current Calendar for the year.

## CONTACTING THE SHRINE LADIES CLUB

The following are ways that you can reach out to us to become active:

- ◆ Contact any member off of the Abou Ben Adhem Shrine Ladies' Contact List
- ◆ Email [shrineladies@abashrine.com](mailto:shrineladies@abashrine.com)
- ◆ Send correspondences to Shrine Ladies, PO Box 3017, Springfield, 65808
- ◆ Attend any Shrine Ladies meeting to receive a mentor. Please make sure we know if/when it's your first meeting.
- ◆ Please do not contact the Shrine office for reservations.

What's left for the 2015 Shrine Ladies Calendar:

June 6	Ceremonial @ University Plaza Convention Center
August 26-29	CSSA in Golden, Colorade
September 12	Pote's Poker Run
September 24	Ladies Meeting @ Shrine - Fall Festival
September 27	Family Picnic TBD
October 22	Ladies Meeting @ Shrine
November 12	Sue's Night - Chief Rabban Night TBD
December 5	Ceremonial @ University Plaza Convention Center
December 5	Christmas Dance
December 13	Kids' Christmas Party



# SHRINERS VILLAGE

A Private Community for Shriners & their Ladies

For the first time logging in to Shriners Village, follow the steps below

<http://www.shrinersvillage.com>

- ◆ Click on the link "REGISTER HERE"
- ◆ Select your Temple Name from the List
- ◆ Enter your Noble's Member Number and Last Name
- ◆ Click "Verify Your Identity"
- ◆ Select your user type – Lady – then enter your name. Click "Select Type"
- ◆ Enter information requested
- ◆ Click "Create Your Account"



A Private Web Community for Shriners

Username:  Password:

[REGISTER HERE](#) one time to create a personal account.

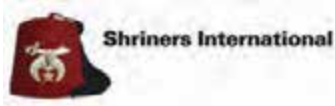
[forget your username or password?](#)  
[get help](#)

Learn more about how to become a Shriner at: [beashriner.com](http://beashriner.com)

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## LOGOS

### Shriners International



### Shriners Hospitals for Children





# SHRINERS HOSPITALS FOR CHILDREN®

With the first Hospital started in Shreveport, Louisiana, in 1922, Shriners Hospitals for Children is known as the World's Greatest Philanthropy. Today, Shriners throughout the world continue to support the Hospitals by raising funds, assisting patient's families with transportation, volunteering on hospital boards and much more.

Children from birth to age 18 receive expert specialty medical care at these hospitals, with no financial obligation to them or their families, thanks to the efforts of Shriners and other generous supporters. In addition, many Shriners Hospitals for Children facilities are engaged in medical research and are affiliated with the top academic medical institutions in North America.

The Fraternity and Hospitals are legally and financially separate. Each are audited independently. In addition, Temples are incorporated as chapters of the Fraternity and are audited individually.

Shriners Hospitals for Children is an international healthcare system dedicated to improving the lives of children by providing pediatric specialty care, innovative research and outstanding teaching programs. The Hospitals focus on four specialized areas of care:

- ◆ **Orthopedic Care** – medical and rehabilitative services for children with congenital deformities and conditions, problems resulting from orthopedic injuries, and diseases of the neuromusculoskeletal system.
- ◆ **Burn Care** – treatment for acute and non-acute burn injuries and related scarring, along with physical and emotional rehabilitation.
- ◆ **Spinal Cord Injury** – spinal cord injury rehabilitation specifically for children, offering some of the most advanced treatment in the country, with full range of services.
- ◆ **Cleft Lip and Palate Care** – coordinated, comprehensive multidisciplinary care for children with this condition.

## Research

Shriners Hospitals for Children are dedicated to conducting innovative research for complex medical difficulties affecting children. Shriners Hospitals for Children's contributions to the medical community not only benefit our patients, but contribute to the overall body of medical knowledge for the care and treatment for a wide range of pediatric and adult conditions.

## Education

Shriners Hospitals for Children is proud of its role in medical education. In the past 20 years, more than 8,000 physicians have received residency education or postgraduate fellowship within the healthcare system. By maintaining relationships with more than 60 medical teaching facilities worldwide, Shriners Hospitals for Children fosters an academic environment committed to providing high-quality medical care to all patients. For a more in depth history and additional information on the Hospitals, please visit the following website: [www.shrinershospitalsforchildren.org](http://www.shrinershospitalsforchildren.org).



# HOSPITAL SPECIALIZATIONS

## **Boston**

51 Blossom St.  
Boston, MA 02114  
(617) 722-3000

- ◆ Burns
- ◆ Cleft Lip and Palate

## **Chicago**

2211 North  
Oak Park Ave.  
Chicago, IL 60707  
(773) 622-5400

- ◆ Orthopaedics
- ◆ Spinal Cord Injury
- ◆ Cleft Lip and Palate

## **Cincinnati**

3229 Burnet Ave.  
Cincinnati, OH 45229  
(800) 875-8580

- ◆ Burns
- ◆ Cleft Lip and Palate

## **Erie**

1645 West 8th St.  
Erie, PA 16505  
(814) 875-8700

- ◆ Orthopaedics

## **Galveston**

815 Market St.  
Galveston, TX 77550  
(888) 215-3109

- ◆ Burns

## **Greenville**

950 West Faris Rd.  
Greenville, SC 29605  
(864) 271-3444

- ◆ Orthopaedics

## **Honolulu**

1310 Punahou St.  
Honolulu, HI 96826  
(808) 941-4466

- ◆ Orthopaedics

## **Houston**

6977 Main St.  
Houston, TX 77030  
(713) 797-1616

- ◆ Orthopaedics
- ◆ Cleft Lip and Palate

## **Lexington**

1900 Richmond Rd.  
Lexington, KY 40502  
(859) 266-2101

- ◆ Orthopaedics

## **Los Angeles**

3160 Geneva St.  
Los Angeles, CA 90020  
(213) 388-3151

- ◆ Orthopaedics
- ◆ Cleft Lip and Palate

## **Mexico City**

Av. del Imán No. 257  
Col. Pedregal  
de Santa Ursula  
Deleg. Coyoacán  
Mexico, D.F., 04600  
011-52-555-424-7850

- ◆ Orthopaedics

## **Montreal**

1529 Cedar Ave.  
Montreal, Quebec,  
Canada, H3G 1A6  
(514) 842-4464

- ◆ Orthopaedics

## **Northern California**

2425 Stockton Blvd.  
Sacramento,  
CA 95817  
(916) 453-2000

- ◆ Orthopaedics
- ◆ Burns
- ◆ Spinal Cord Injury
- ◆ Cleft Lip and Palate

## **Philadelphia**

3551 North Broad St.  
Philadelphia, PA  
19140

- (215) 430-4000
- ◆ Orthopaedics
- ◆ Spinal Cord Injury

## **Portland**

3101 S.W.  
Sam Jackson Park  
Rd.  
Portland, OR 97239  
(503) 241-5090

- ◆ Orthopaedics
- ◆ Cleft Lip and Palate

## **Salt Lake City**

Fairfax Road at  
Virginia St.  
Salt Lake City,  
UT 84103

- (801) 536-3500
- ◆ Orthopaedics

## **Shreveport**

3100 Samford Ave.  
Shreveport, LA 71103  
(318) 222-5704

- ◆ Orthopaedics

## **Spokane**

911 West 5th Ave.  
Spokane, WA 99204  
(509) 455-7844

- ◆ Orthopaedics

## **Springfield**

516 Carew St.  
Springfield, MA  
01104  
(413) 787-2000

- ◆ Orthopaedics
- ◆ Cleft Lip and Palate

## **St. Louis**

4400 Clayton Avenue  
St. Louis, MO 63110  
(314) 432-3600

- ◆ Orthopaedics

## **Tampa**

12502 USF Pine Dr.  
Tampa, FL 33612  
(813) 972-2250

- ◆ Orthopaedics

## **Twin Cities**

2025 East River  
Pkwy.  
Minneapolis,  
MN 55414

- (612) 596-6100
- ◆ Orthopaedics



# ONE-SHEETS

One-sheets are designed for use by members and groups of Shriners International and affiliated Masonic organizations and Shriners Hospitals for Children® staff to communicate important information about the fraternity and health care system.

One-sheets can be downloaded from [ShrinersVillage.com](http://ShrinersVillage.com)



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Shreveport



Spokane



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***We have added some extra space for you to  
add more information or to jot down some notes.  
Welcome to our Family!***

