

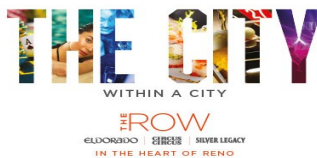
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Legions of Honor Convention
Silver Legacy Hotel
Reno Nevada
April 27 - May 1, 2022



The 2022 convention should be a fun time. Reno has a lot to offer and there is a lot to do in the surrounding area.

Visit the IALOH website for full details at:
www.ialoh.org/Events/Convention

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YOU BE THE JUDGE

We are in need of a Parliamentarian/Judge Advocate. If you are interested in filling the position please contact the Commander or one of the International Officers.

Contact information on page 11.

Gone But Not Forgotten

The IALOH lost two distinguished members, Past International Commander Lyle Mahin and 4th Lt. Commander Wayne Angstrom. They will be truly missed by their families and their Legion of Honor family.

Our deepest condolences goes out to the families from the Officers of the International Association Legions of Honor.

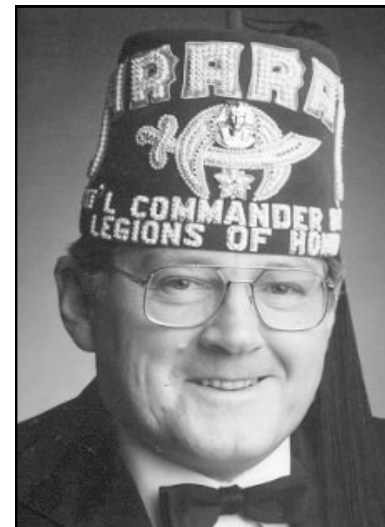
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In Memory Of

Lyle J. Mahin

Past Commander
Past International Commander
Past Commander CSSA



Lyle J Mahin, 86, passed away at NKC HospiceHouse on Tuesday, Nov. 23, 2021.

Lyle was born on Nov. 30th, 1934, to Howard and Thelma Mahin in Jewell County, KS, and was their only child. He spent his youth enjoying many aspects of rural life but was also depended on greatly by his Dad to assist in the family Blacksmith and Welding shop in Randall, KS. He graduated from Randall Rural H.S. in 1952.

Lyle entered the U.S. Army in 1953 with stops at Ft. Jackson, S.C and an 18-month deployment to W. Germany to help "Watch those Russians" with R&R in London and Paris (New Year's Eve at the Folies Bergère). He left active duty in 1956 and gained employment at Boeing in Wichita, KS as a welder and sheet metal fabricator. He met his childhood sweetheart, Donna Carlson in Morganville, KS and their relationship led to marriage on Sept. 8th, 1957. Son Patrick arrived on Oct. 12th, 1958

Boeing Field Services sent Lyle, Donna and Patrick to El Paso, TX, Chicopee Falls, MASS, Great Falls, MT and Travis AFB, CA for his assignments. Lyle needed to be settled down as Patrick was starting school, he had positions with Cessna and Beech Aircraft in Wichita where he operated the Electron Beam Welder which at the time was state of the art. In March, 1967, he decided that he would sign a contract to serve his Country as a civilian contractor and departed for an assignment at Phu Loi, RVN to maintain and repair helicopters and was a supervisor. He returned home in Nov. of '67 to Donna and Pat and he then acquired employment in Kansas City with TWA and in 1982 departed for Jeddah, Saudi Arabia for a 3-month stint. He retired from TWA as an Inspector in 1996.

He and Donna travelled extensively in the U.S. and to Europe seeing the sights in Brussels, Amsterdam, Stockholm, and Athens. They also visited Patrick in Tokyo while he was at Iwakuni Marine Air Station for his 21st birthday.

Lyle was a member of Alpha Masonic Lodge in NKC and an active Shriner with Ararat Temple. He joined the Legion of Honor Unit (for Veterans) and progressed as the Unit and Central States Commander, and in 1981, ran for the National position and was elected. He served on the line until he became the International Commander in 1987. This position saw him lay a Wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington Nat'l Cemetery. He also was a member of the American Legion Post in Smithville, Mo. Also, an Honorary Warrior in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say.

Lyle is preceded in death by his Parents, his Wife of 55 years, Donna, Brother-in-Law Carl Vernon Carlson. Close friends Ernie Sexton and Dan Sheffield.

He is survived by his Son, Patrick; His Wife, Carrie; and Grandchildren Cory and Trevor and Great-Granddaughter Lila. Brother and Sister-in-Law Loy and Orpha Carlson. Many, Many Cousins. His close friends from his work life, Ernie Runte, Jack Maliske, Lloyd Canning, and Paul Neidig. Randall, KS friends Don Robinett and Roger Houghton.

In Memory Of

Wayne R. Angstrom

4th Lt. Commander
Past Potentate
Past Commander
Commander GLSA



Wayne R. Angstrom, 82, of North Royalton, OH, passed away at his home, surrounded by family, on Monday, November 22, following a brief illness. A native of Chicago, IL, Wayne was preceded in death by his father, Raymond Angstrom; his mother, Dorothy Kilroe; and his step-father, Gene Kilroe. He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Sandra (Weber) Angstrom; his children, Mark Angstrom, Boca Raton, FL; Carl (Anne) Angstrom, Naples, FL; David (Jen) Angstrom, Arvada, CO; and Kristina (David) Neumann, Broadview Heights, OH; ten grandchildren, Sofia and Mark (Mark); Colin and Catherine (Carl/Anne); Audrey and Evan (David/Jen); and Jack, Henry, Sam, and Lily (Kristina/David); and one great-grandchild, Echo (Audrey).

Wayne was an honorable veteran of the United States Marine Corps and a 55+ year member of the Masonic Fraternity and dedicated years to Shriners International.

"A Builder, Leading by Example" by Mark Raymond Angstrom
My father once told me, "I work hard." Memories of his coaching little league baseball games, family vacation trips in the car, haircuts in the garage, picnics that our family attended, and so many other events that would not have been possible without him are a constant reminder that he did work hard, for his family and for others.

Returning from the United States Marine Corps., he began working in

the printing industry "checking inks" with RR Donnelley and Son's in Chicago, Illinois (then, the largest commercial printing company in the US and Canada). He received a Business Administration Degree from Chicago City College and attended night school at Northwestern University Downtown in Chicago, Illinois. Through hard work, he advanced at RR Donnelly and Son's Inc. living and working in Illinois, Pennsylvania, and Kentucky; eventually, leaving the company as Division Director responsible for two printing plants, and taking the position of Executive Vice President of Manufacturing for Maxwell Graphics (USA). Along with a few former RR Donnelley Employees, Maxwell Graphics (USA), a start-up company, became the second (2nd) largest commercial printing company in the US and Canada with headquarters in Greenwich, Connecticut, Boston Massachusetts, and St. Paul, Minnesota. Maxwell Graphics (USA) was eventually acquired by Quebecor Printing in Canada and is now part of Quad Graphics in the United States of America.

After a year sabbatical in Minnesota (a year that my mother may tell you was important that he go back to work), Dad took on the responsibility of President and CEO of St Ives US Division in Hollywood, Florida. A company that he later saved through an MBO/LBO to become Angstrom Graphics, now The Angstrom Group. Today, The Angstrom Group stands as the 124th Largest Commercial Printing Company in the US and Canada (per Printing Impressions 350) with headquarters in Cleveland (Cuyahoga Heights) Ohio. The company is operated by my brother-in-law, Dave Neumann, brothers Carl and David Angstrom (three Vice-Chairman and their wives, Kristina,



my sister, and sisters-in-law, Anne and Jenn) along with an exceptional team of industry veterans. My mother, Sandra Angstrom now Company Chair at The Angstrom Group leads an exceptional team dedicated to Customer Success and, by all measure, the company is thriving in an industry experiencing rapid change and technological advancement. "A Builder, Leading by Example," my father's leadership (spelled L-O-V-E) remains and continues today through his family (and extended family); people that knew him and organizations of people that he has supported throughout his life. Through his TEAM at The Angstrom Group, through his grandchildren Sofia, Mark (II), Colin, Catherine, Audrey, Evan, Jack, Henry, Sam, Lily, and his great-grandchild, Echo, Wayne Raymond Angstrom's vision remains. It remains in the hearts and minds of those who love him and those that he encountered on his never-ending journey.

However difficult, today we celebrate his life and his everlasting life. In the Holy Bible, Psalm, Chapter 46, verse 10, we read: "Be still, and know that I am God: Today, we are reminded to be still. God is with us. Wayne Raymond Angstrom is now with God. So, let us "Be Still" together and remember in joy "A Builder, Leading by Example." While he may have heard the words "Well done, good and faithful servant", his journey continues, our journey continues, and we will meet again.

From the Commander Now Hear This

Here we are nearing the end of another year, although many restrictions because of the pandemic still envelopes us. Leighanne and I have stayed the course that we set out for ourselves over a year ago. We have been blessed with good health and positive attitudes within it all.

After our visit to Springfield IL for the GLSA convention, we traveled to Myrtle Beach, SC for SASA Change of Command weekend. The visit to Myrtle Beach was a first for us, it was a great weekend for LOH fellowship as their parade was fantastic. I was able to march in it and that made my day.

My next journey (Leighanne couldn't make it) was to Las Vegas for the Shriners Golf Tournament. I couldn't go up there until Saturday but getting out on Sunday morning and walking the course from outside the ropes was invigorating. Imp Sir Bill Bailey walked alongside his Lady Debby

behind one of the last groups of golfers, and I sure was impressed with them doing that.

Our yearly trip was to Washington DC for the Arlington pilgrimage to the cemetery, was held on Nov 2-7. I must share with everyone I can that the Laying the Wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier was and always be one of the top five things to happen for me in my life. Thank you to all of the LOH membership that voted me in so many years ago and who gave me this experience. We finished up the month of Nov with a visit to our own Al Bahr Shrine for the Chief of Rabban Night.

Now sadly I must close with sorrow in my heart and pain in my typing this. Leighanne and I received notice that 4th Lt Commander Wayne Angstrom had passed away. We made the necessary decision to fly to Cleveland OH on December 9th and then travel down to Wayne's service on Friday December 10th. We were joined there



Steve C. Walker, PC



by 2nd Lt Cmdr. Russ Gray.
Our thoughts and prayers go out to Sandie and her family.

YITF,
Steve Walker
International Commander

Quartermaster Special Notice

At this time we are unable to take credit cards when ordering items off the website. You can still use the website to order items but when you check out it is going to instruct you to mail a check to the Quartermaster. Hopefully we will be able start taking credit cards in the future. When mailing a check to the Quartermaster please make it payable to the "IALOH". If you have any questions please contact the Quartermaster Mike Kimbrell. Mike's contact information is on page 15 of this newsletter.



Patriotism Chairman Aaron Ayers

Legionaries if your Unit performs Patriotic act(s) such as carrying the flags in a parade, posting the colors for events please let me know. I report these activities at the convention and it is a great way to get your Unit recognized.

You can contact me at Phone: 931-801-3488 or email: ayers.tnmason@gmail.com

Keeping The Adjutant Updated

It appears the pandemic is winding down and the Units are starting to meet again. If your Unit has any changes to the Unit Officers or correspondence address please let the International Adjutant David Smith know. It is very important to keep him informed of any changes so he can make sure the Units receive all the up to date correspondence. If your Unit thinks they have missed out on some important information. please let him know. His contact information is on page 15 of this newsletter.

1st Lieutenant Commander

Division 4

Hello LOH Nobles,

Greetings to you and your families. As 2021 comes to an end, we are looking forward to all the events in 2022. There are many events coming up and hopefully you will be able to attend. Most of the events in 2021 were restricted because of Covid-19, but I have noticed that there are more members getting back out to attend the events and reconnect with friends that they have not seen in a long time.

Unfortunately, we lost one of the IALOH Lt. Commanders in November. With deep sorrow, IALOH 4th Lt. Commander Wayne Angstrom passed away. He was a great leader in the IALOH, GLSA and his temple. He will be truly missed. Please keep Lady Sandy and the family in your prayers.

In September, my lady Jan and I were able to attend the South Atlantic Shrine Association Legion of Honor change of command in Myrtle Beach, SC. I accompanied IALOH Commander Walker and 4th LT Hobbs to the change of command. Congratulations to SASA LOH Commander Darryl

McPheron and the newly installed officers. We had a great time and I want to thank everyone at SASA for their hospitality during the event.

November took us to the Arlington Pilgrimage. We had a great time and still can not get over the honor it is to lay the wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown and to pay respects to those who paid the ultimate sacrifice. Attendance was low this year because of many reasons. We are contracted to be at the same hotel next year, but we are planning to have other events to make the pilgrimage more enjoyable. Check the IALOH website for updates.

A few events that are now scheduled for the first part of 2022 and can be put on your calendars now.

East West Shrine Bowl - February
WSA – February
TALOH – February
SESA Mid-Year – February
Masa - March
SASA Mid-Year - March
IALOH Convention - April

As we are making plans for 2022, please send any upcoming Unit and Association events to IALOH Adjutant David Smith so they can be post-



David Ginapp, PC



ed on the IALOH website. All the IALOH officers would like to attend as many functions, and association meetings, as possible in the upcoming year.

Hope you and your families have a safe, happy, and blessed holiday season.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Years to all of you.

See you soon,

David Ginapp
1st IALOH Lt. Commander

ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

GLSA
47th Annual Convention
Double Tree by Hilton
August 24th - 28th, 2022
Independence, Ohio

MASA
Spring Convention
Courtyard By Marriott
March 24 - 27, 2022
Manassas, Virginia

SASA
Mid-Winter Meeting
La Quinta Kingsport
March 31 - April 3, 2022
Kingsport, Tennessee

SESA
Winter Conference
Landmark Resort
February 24 - 27, 2022
Myrtle Beach, SC

TALOH
Mid-Winter Meeting
Inn on Barons Creek
February 21 - 24, 2022
Fredericksburg, TX

WSA
Annual Meeting
Luxor Hotel and Casino
February 3 - 5, 2022
Las Vegas, NV

For more information about the meetings visit our website at www.ialoh.org/Association

2nd Lieutenant Commander

GRAY AREAS: The IALOH and Masonic community is deeply saddened by the passing of our 4th Lieutenant Commander Wayne Angstrom, Past Potentate Al Koran Shrine, Commander Great Lakes Shrine Association, a 55-year Mason and a U.S. Marine, after a brief illness. I had the honor of attending the celebration of Wayne's life, which included a Masonic Funeral, and spending time with Wayne's adoring family. Wayne was a truly exceptional individual who was well respected in his community, as evidenced by the outpouring of love during his celebration. Wayne's passing leaves a tremendous void in the hearts of all who knew him. Rest in peace brother, your work here is done...*TAPS with Salute*.

Wayne was responsible for planning this year's annual Arlington Pilgrimage. Due to his illness, he was not able to attend to see the events he worked so hard to arrange. I want to thank a number of folks that ensured Wayne's vision was executed: my lady Virginia, my Chief of Staff Mike Kearns, his lady Peggy, 1st Lt Commander Dave Ginapp and his lady Jan, 3rd Lt Commander Dave Hobbs and his lady Lisa, 5th Lt Commander Charles McIntosh, 8th Lt Commander Geoff Lyster, our Adjutant David Smith and of course my son Vince "the Dude." These folks came together to ensure the Nobility, their ladies and guests had a seamless and enjoyable experience.

Arlington was attended by 125 folks with 33 first timers! As we are gradually coming out of the pandemic it was wonderful to see many of you. Arlington is primarily about the solemn reverence for our lost brethren, but it is also one of only two opportunities we have to socialize as an organization each year.

Speaking of the Arlington Pilgrimage, this was our first visit to the Double-Tree Hotel, Crystal City. There were some glitches, hiccups and lessons learned that always comes with change. Let me assure you that the Board of Directors are working diligently to find a solution to the problems we encountered and hopefully have them resolved in time for the

2022 Pilgrimage. I want to point out one important fact of life regarding the costs associated with the annual event, as time passes costs increase! These costs are basically out of our control. We are doing our very best to mitigate costs wherever possible.

Immediately following Arlington, I attended *A Salute to Veterans* at El Jebel Shrine in Denver, CO, where I had the honor of presenting a Distinguished Service Award to LOH Commander Ed Richards. Commander Richards has been Commander of El Jebel's LOH Unit for 7 years. At nearly 90-years-old, Commander Richards has safeguarded the survivability of the El Jebel LOH Unit. Congratulations!

This spring will bring our 2022 convention to Reno, Nevada. Details can be found on the website www.ialoh.org. This convention is important as we will have two line vacancies (7th and 8th Lieutenant Commanders) and we will elect a new Finance Officer, since our long-term Finance Officer Pete Phillips has decided to hang up his database.

Division 5



Russell Gray, PC



I hope you had a joyous holiday season and my hope is that this new year is a happy, healthy and safe one.

Russ Gray,
Lt. Commander



3rd Lieutenant Commander

The holiday season is upon us, with sugar plums dancing in our heads, we are awaiting the big man and the goodies.

The individual Legion of Honor Units have their elections coming up or have been completed. I want to wish the Egypt Legion of Honor Commander Elect Moises Rosado the very best as he takes the reins from me. He has great things planned and it will be a joy to set on the sidelines.

My Lady Lisa has graciously consented to lead the Egypt Legionettes, our ladies organization, for another year under the new Commander.

I also want to congratulate all of the newly elected Commanders for all of our Legion of Honor Units.

With the new year coming up Quickly we are turning our sights to traveling to Buffalo, New York to the lamailia

Shrine Center for their annual Passing of the Gavel on February 5, 2022.

Following that we have made our travel plans to attend the IALOH Annual Convention from April 27, 2022 through May 01, 2022. I hope many of you will be able to join the festivities. All of the information and registration can be found on our website, www.ialoh.org under events.

I had the honor of attending the burial of Past Potentate and Navy Command Master Chief Dick Spaulding at Arlington National Cemetery on December 08, 2021. It was a very moving service complete with full military honors.

Lady Lisa and I wish all of you a very Happy Holidays and look forward to the New Year.

Dave & Lisa Hobbs



David Hobbs, PC



4th Lieutenant Commander

Ray Combs, Past International Commander

Hi everyone! I have been temporarily appointed the 4th Lt. Commander until the next annual convention and covering Division 3

Temples With Units

Abou Ben Adhem - Springfield, MO
Ainad - East Saint Louis, IL
Al Koran - Broadview Heights, OH
Ansar - Springfield, IL
Elf Khurafeh - Saginaw, MI
Hadi - Evansville, IN
Medinah - Chicago, IL
Mizpah - Fort Wayne, IN
Mocha - London, ON
Mohammed - Bartonville, IL
Moila - Saint Joseph, MO
Moolah - Saint Louis, MO
Moslem - Southfield, MI
Murat - Indianapolis, IN
Orak - Michigan City, IN
Rameses - Toronto, ON
Saladin - Grand Rapids, MI
Tebala - Rockford, IL
Tripoli - Milwaukee, WI
Tunis - Ottawa, ON
Za-Ga-Zig - Altoona, IA
Zuhrah - Minneapolis, MN

I hope everyone had a great holiday season and was able to spend time with family and friends. If anyone in Division 3 has any questions or need assistance with anything please let me know. My contact information is on page 15.

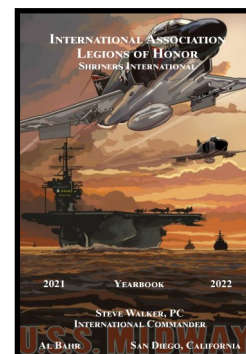
Temples without LOH Units

Aad - Duluth, MN
Abu Bekr - Sioux City, IA
Ahmed - Marquette, MI
Ararat - Kansas City, MO
Beja - Green Bay, WI
El Kahir - Cedar Rapids, IA
Kaaba - Davenport, IA
Osman - Saint Paul, MN
Zor - Madison, WI
Zorah - Terre Haute, IN

Division 3



Ray Combs, PP, PIC, PC



Yearbooks

for sale

\$20.00

Contact
Adjutant or
Quartermaster

5th Lieutenant Commander



Let's not
forget
to work
on our
membership

Division 1



Charles McIntosh, PC



Arlington Tomb Shirt



If you are interested in ordering an Arlington Tomb shirt you can order the button down or polo; men's and ladies. The order form is on-line. Just follow these steps: Go to the **IALOH website www.ialoh.org**. Select the **"Event" menu tab then select "Arlington Wreath Laying Ceremony" then select "Order Your Tomb Shirt"**.

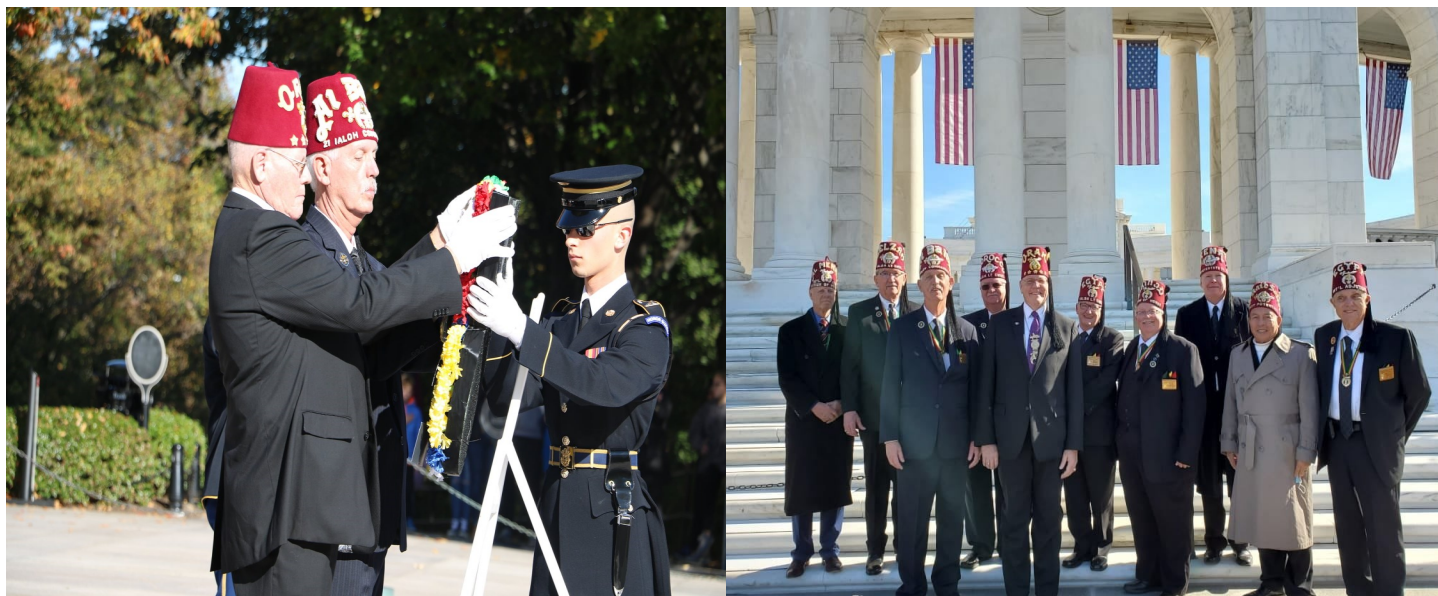
If you have any questions please contact:

Charles McIntosh, 2310 Skipcha Dr., Harker Heights, TX 76548

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Arlington 2021

The 2021 Arlington Wreath Laying took place on November 6th, 2021. There 112 members and guest at the wreath laying. The next wreath laying will be November 5th, 2022. A few details are being finalized and once they have been completed the registration information will be posted on the website at ialoh.org/Events/ArlingtonWreathLaying. Videos of the memorial service and the wreath laying are posted on the website.



6th Lieutenant Commander

Hello everyone. The year 2021 has blown by and some things are getting back to normal, but it looks as if we have a way to go yet. I want to begin by sending Lady Vicki and my sincere condolences to the Wayne Armstrong family.

Over the past few months lady Vicki and I have been busy traveling. We have attended the installation of new officers and just this past week I participated in the installation of the new officers of the Al Menah Legion of Honor.

At this time of the year, as the holiday season is upon us, we want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and the happiest of New Years. One of the highlights of this past quarter was the pilgrimage to Arlington for the wreath laying at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. The event itself, which was the 100th year anniversary, was impressive as always and the comradeship at hospitality room was as good as any I have ever seen. We had fun getting together with old and new friends. A karaoke

machine was brought and many brothers, and I may add sisters, had a great time with it. If you have not attended this event in the past or have not attended in a while, I strongly encourage you to put it on your calendar for next November. I promise that you and your members will not be sorry you did.

Speaking of event to attend, from 27 April to 1 May 2022, the International Association Legion of Honor will be hosting their 91st Annual Convention in the Biggest Little City in the World, Reno Nevada. If you register before 19 March registration is \$165 per person. After that date it will run \$200 per person, so register early. We will be staying at the Silver Legacy Hotel Casino. There will be a welcome party on the 28th, which will be a dress up event, "dress as a miner, pioneer family or society person." You can find the information for this the convention and others on the IALOH web site at www.ialoh.org.

Division 7



Wayne Steele, PC



Again, Lady Vicki and I hope you have a great holiday season. God Bless.

YITF
Wayne Steel, PC

7th Lieutenant Commander

How good and how pleasant it is for Brethren to dwell together in unity! That exactly is the way I feel every time we meet at Shriners International. It is also sad to hear when one of our members rest with the Black Camel.

It's has been a long time hibernating awaiting to assist a Legion of Honor reunion with the family, good thing

we all got together at the Arlington Ceremony. The event was excellent and exciting, new members and of course old faces.

Will see you soon at Myrtle Beach.

Best Regards,
7th Lt. Commander Jaime Munoz

Division 6



Jamie Muñoz, PP



8th Lieutenant Commander

Greetings. Lady Theresa and I have really enjoyed traveling around the country and enjoying the pageantry and camaraderie among the various LOH Units. At the time of this writing, the holiday season is in full bloom, and we wish all the members of the IALOH and their families a Merry Christmas and/or Happy Holidays.

We had a great time at the 41st Annual Arlington Wreath Laying Ceremony from November 3-7, 2021. We were proud to welcome the prestigious units of the IALOH to northern Virginia. As members of the host temple, we assisted with flags, coolers and transportation. It was an honor to have Imperial Sir, Bill Bailey spend the weekend with the IALOH. I thought the new hotel venue was great and they bent over backwards to accommodate our members. From the Hospitality Room, Ballroom facility, to the delicious luncheon; this hotel delivered. We are looking forward to returning to the Doubletree Crystal City next year.

On November 7, 2021 I attended the Annual Kena Shriners Veterans Brunch (Kena Temple, Manassas, Virginia). Northern Virginia veterans gathered, as the Kena Band filled the room with the patriotic songs. Over fifty veterans and their guests enjoyed a fine brunch and fellowship. Kena LOH Cmdr Kevin Hall and Lady Cheryl did an outstanding job organizing this event. Special thanks to the Kena LOH for preparing and serving this special meal. A great

time was had by all (see photo below).

On November 10, 2021 we attended the Boumi Shriners Veterans and First Responders Day Brunch at beautiful Boumi Temple in Baltimore, Maryland. Potentate III. Tony Fusco made an inspired speech and presented awards to local heroes. It was also a great opportunity for me to spend time with the Boumi LOH members, led by Cmdr Jim Davis, who all looked splendid in their Color Guard uniforms.

On December 4, 2021 I was honored to participate in the Manassas Christmas Parade (see photo below). It was great to dust off the parade gear and march with old Nobles and friends. It was estimated that up to ten thousand spectators turned out for this parade.

On December 18, 2021 I was pleased to attend the Kena LOH Holiday Party. Gifts were exchanged as the Unit "made merry!" I hope all our LOH Units across the country had a chance to gather and celebrate the holidays.

In addition to our LOH responsibilities, Lady Theresa and I have been busy volunteering for freemasonry. We have been assisting Al Manarah Ct. No. 50, Ladies of the Oriental Shrine North America where Theresa serves as Associate Princess. She is responsible for preparing meals for the Scottish Rite, Valley of Alexandria this year. This quarter, we pre-

Division 2



Geoffrey Lyster, PP



pared the meals for the monthly meetings (Sep, Oct, Nov & Dec) and the Scottish Rite Reunions (16 and 23 October) and several dinners to honor local Blue Lodges.

On the horizon....We are looking forward to welcoming everyone to the Oasis of northern Virginia for the MASSA LOH Spring Meeting and Commander's Ball to be held March 24-27, 2021 in historic Manassas, Virginia. There will be a Friday Welcome Party; business meeting and lavish Commander's Ball on Saturday night in the beautiful Kena Shrine Center Main Ballroom. For registration and details see the IALOH website (IALOH.org); go to the Associations tab; Mid-Atlantic Association web page. Hope to see you there!



LOH Vets Brunch Kena Temple Nov. 7



Manassas Christmas Parade Dec. 4

LCDR
Lyster;
Boumi
LOH
Cmdr
Jim
Davis



A CHRISTMAS POEM

TWAS THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

TWAS THE NIGHT BEFORE
CHRISTMAS,
HE LIVED ALL ALONE,
IN A ONE BEDROOM HOUSE
MADE OF PLASTER AND
STONE.

I HAD COME DOWN THE CHIM-
NEY
WITH PRESENTS TO GIVE,
AND TO SEE JUST WHO
IN THIS HOME DID LIVE.

I LOOKED ALL ABOUT,
A STRANGE SIGHT I DID SEE,
NO TINSEL, NO PRESENTS,
NOT EVEN A TREE.

NO STOCKING BY MANTLE,
JUST BOOTS FILLED WITH
SAND,
ON THE WALL HUNG PICTURES
OF FAR DISTANT LANDS.

WITH MEDALS AND BADGES,
AWARDS OF ALL KINDS,
A SOBER THOUGHT
CAME THROUGH MY MIND.

FOR THIS HOUSE WAS DIFFER-
ENT,
IT WAS DARK AND DREARY,
I FOUND THE HOME OF A SOL-
DIER,
ONCE I COULD SEE CLEARLY.

THE SOLDIER LAY SLEEPING,
SILENT, ALONE,
CURLED UP ON THE FLOOR
IN THIS ONE BEDROOM HOME.

THE FACE WAS SO GENTLE,
THE ROOM IN SUCH DISORDER,
NOT HOW I PICTURED
A UNITED STATES SOLDIER.

WAS THIS THE HERO
OF WHOM I'D JUST READ?
CURLED UP ON A PONCHO,
THE FLOOR FOR A BED?

I REALIZED THE FAMILIES
THAT I SAW THIS NIGHT,
OWED THEIR LIVES TO THESE
SOLDIERS
WHO WERE WILLING TO FIGHT.

SOON ROUND THE WORLD,
THE CHILDREN WOULD PLAY,
AND GROWNUPS WOULD CELE-
BRATE
A BRIGHT CHRISTMAS DAY.
THEY ALL ENJOYED FREEDOM
EACH MONTH OF THE YEAR,
BECAUSE OF THE SOLDIERS,
LIKE THE ONE LYING HERE.

I COULDN'T HELP WONDER
HOW MANY LAY ALONE,
ON A COLD CHRISTMAS EVE
IN A LAND FAR FROM HOME.

THE VERY THOUGHT
BROUGHT A TEAR TO MY EYE,
I DROPPED TO MY KNEES
AND STARTED TO CRY.

THE SOLDIER AWAKENED
AND I HEARD A ROUGH VOICE,
"SANTA DON'T CRY,
THIS LIFE IS MY CHOICE;

I FIGHT FOR FREEDOM,
I DON'T ASK FOR MORE,
MY LIFE IS MY GOD,
MY COUNTRY, MY CORPS."

THE SOLDIER ROLLED OVER
AND DRIFTED TO SLEEP,
I COULDN'T CONTROL IT,
I CONTINUED TO WEEP.

I KEPT WATCH FOR HOURS,
SO SILENT AND STILL
AND WE BOTH SHIVERED
FROM THE COLD NIGHT'S CHILL.

I DIDN'T WANT TO LEAVE
ON THAT COLD, DARK, NIGHT,
THIS GUARDIAN OF HONOR
SO WILLING TO FIGHT.

THEN THE SOLDIER ROLLED
OVER,
WITH A VOICE SOFT AND PURE,
WHISPERED, "CARRY ON SANTA,
IT'S CHRISTMAS DAY, ALL IS SE-
CURE."

ONE LOOK AT MY WATCH,
AND I KNEW HE WAS RIGHT.
"MERRY CHRISTMAS MY FRIEND,
AND TO ALL A GOOD NIGHT."

This poem was written by a Marine.
during Christmas and New Years
Credit is due to our U.S. service
men and women that are not able
to celebrate these festivities with
their family and friends. Let's try in
a small way to pay a tiny bit of what
we owe. Please think of our he-
roes, living and dead who sacri-
ficed themselves for us.

May God Bless You and Have A
Great Day and a Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year.



From the International Adjutant/Editor

Hi Everyone,

I hope everyone had a great holiday.

Our trip to Arlington for the annual wreath laying was great. Our 4th Lt. Commander Wayne Angstrom could not be there so the Lt's took over. I want to thank Lt. Commander Russ Gray and his Lady Ginny and Vince, 2nd Division COS Mike Kearns and Lady Peggy, Lt. Commander David Hobbs and Lady Lisa, Lt. Commander David Ginapp and Lady Jan, Lt. Commander Charles McIntosh, Lt. Commander Geoffrey Lyster and Lady Theresa, 4th Division COS Jack Conner and Lady Margaret, Lt. Commander Wayne Steel and Lady Vicky and Crystal and my Lady Kathy. It was also great having Imperial Sir William "Bill" Bailey and First Lady Peggy at the wreath laying. They both had a great time and we learned Imperial Sir can sing.

The 2022 annual forms have been sent to all the Units. If you did not get them please let me know or you can download them at www.ialoh.org/Forms.

I still have a few 2021 yearbooks for sale. If you would like one please let me know or go online and order one at the IALOH market place.

I have included two new bylaw changes to be voted on at the next convention. Also, the previous bylaw changes will also be voted on. Please go to our website www.ialoh.org/Bylaws to review the changes. There are now sixteen changes to be voted on.

That is all for now. Until next time, aim high.

YITF,
David Smith, PC



David Smith, PC



Article deadline for the

April 2022 newsletter

March 15, 2022

International Association Legions of Honor Candidates

The following LOH members are running for office in the IALOH. They will be voted on at the Reno Convention. Their official information is on the website at www.ialoh.org/Candidates

If you are planning to run for an IALOH Officer position the cutoff day for document submission is February 26, 2022.

Lt. Commander



Doug Tayrien
India Legion of Honor

Finance Officer



Rex Sohn
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Bylaw Change



Egypt Legion of Honor
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Date: 10/30/2021

From: Egypt Legion of Honor

Subject: Bylaws Change Request

To: Steve Walker, International Association Legions of Honor Commander
David Smith, PC, International Association Legions of Honor Adjutant

Purpose of Change: To modify the notification process of a called Board Meeting in Article IV, Section 3.

Section 3 Currently Reads

Section 3. INTERNATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS: The Officers named in ARTICLE IV, Section 1, all past and current International Commanders will have a vote in all matters Before the Board. The Board of Directors is the governing body of the International Association Legions of Honor when the membership is not in session and will meet at the Arlington Wreath Laying, the Annual Convention, upon the call of the International Commander when necessary and prudent and upon the request of five (5) members of the Board of Directors. The Board will meet for the purpose of, but not limited to, recommending policy to the International Commander and will approve a Budget for the ensuing year at the Arlington Meeting in November. Only members of the Board will be admitted to any meeting of the Board, except that the Board may invite others to attend. Members will be notified of any and all called meetings for the Board by the International Adjutant's Office at least thirty (30) days prior to the scheduled meeting.

Change to Read

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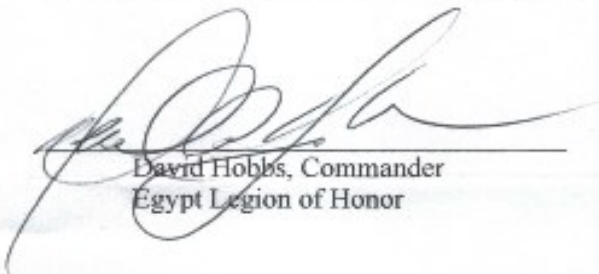
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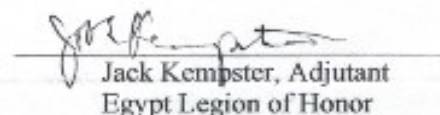
Purpose of Change: To add the instructions for replacing a Finance Officer if they are unable to complete their term to Article IV, Section 2, (D).

Add The Following Paragraph

Should a vacancy occur in the office of International Finance Officer the Board of Directors will appoint a qualified Legion Noble to fill the said vacancy until the next Annual Convention, at which time the unexpired term of the International Finance Officer will be filled by election. The appointed Legion Noble must have the time and ability to perform the duties required of the International Finance Officer. To ensure the IALOH can always operate the International Adjutant will be added to all IALOH financial accounts as an alternate signer.



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and Love of Country and Flag;
To Perpetuate the memory
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who made the Supreme Sacrifice
by giving their lives for their country
while members of the Armed Forces;
To devote our efforts as individuals
and Legion of Honor Units
to strive for and increase in
Friendship and Cooperation between our
Legion of Honor Units
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