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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



New Parliamentarian/
Judge Advocate

Joe McGraw

India Legion of Honor

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From the Commander Now Hear This

Nobles,

This is my last newsletter as Commander of the IALOH. It has been an honor to serve as your Commander. Lady Leighanne and I have meet old friends and made new friends during my year as Commander.

Lady Leighanne and I are looking forward to the annual convention in Reno, NV and I hope to see you there. We plan to have a lot of fun and great fellowship There is still time to get your registration in. The registration form is on page 10 of this newsletter.

Lady Leighanne and I attended the TALOH Change of Command in Fredericksburg, TX and the MASA Change of Command in Manassas, VA. Both events were great and a lot of fun.

As I look back on my year one of the memorable moments was laying the wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Solider with Imperial Potentate Bill Bailey.

Thank You Nobles again it has been an honor.

YITF Steve Walker, PC



Steve C. Walker, PC



Mid Atlantic Shrine Association Change of Command



IALOH Officers Left to Right: Pete Phillips, Russ Gray, Geoffrey Lyster, Steve Walker, David Smith





Brad Slinkard and Cathy Shadle



MASA Officers Left to Right: Tom Kalinowski, Fred Olnick, Willmont Griffin.



MASA Commander: Jim Cocuzza,

1st Lieutenant Commander

Hello LOH Nobels,

As we enter this year, more members are attending Unit and Association meetings. I recently attended several events that showed people are starting to come back out to attend events. This is great to see, since we entered the "Covid" years, we can see friends again and attend functions.

In January, I had the honor to do the installation for the Egypt Legion of Honor. The change of command was a great event, and everyone had an enjoyable time. Congratulations to Egypt LOH Commander Moises Rosado and officers, I am looking forward to Egypt LOH events this coming year.

In February, I attended the East West Shrine Bowl in Las Vegas. This was a momentous event to see the rising stars of football. It was late when I arrived at the hotel, 2nd Lt. Gray and myself went to one of Luxor's restaurant/ bars for "Dinner" and met two of the East West Shrine coaches, we were able to ask them questions about the game and players. I especially like that the players stayed in the same hotel tower that we stayed in. This gave us an opportunity to meet and talk to some of the players. The game was close and came down to the last few minutes.

While in Las Vegas, I was able to also attend the Western Shrine Association Legion of Honor meeting. I had a wonderful time seeing friends and meeting new ones. Congratulations to the WSA Commander and officers. The LOH meeting and change of command was attended by many members from different tem-

ples in the association. There was also a presentation by Imperial and was highly informative and I was able to meet some of the Imperial Officers.

Also in February, I was able to attend the Texas Association Legion of Honor change of command. We had an enjoyable time and was able to see friends that have not been able to attend in the past few years. There was also time to visit Fredericksburg and the surrounding area during the breaks in the agenda. Congratulations to Commander Ploude and the TALOH officers, looking forward to attending again next year.

The International Legion of Honor convention in Reno is approaching fast. If you have not made your reservations yet, please do. Commander Walker has a lot of events planned and should be a fun time. The information and registration forms can be found on the IALOH website.

Even though November is a couple of months away, do not forget to register for our Annual Wreath Laying Ceremony in Arlington. There is information listed on the IALOH web site with more activities to be added. We are also selling an Arlington Challenge Coin, see an IALOH officer or they can be ordered from the IALOH website or on your Arlington registration form.

Next up will be Masa (March 24-27), then the IALOH Convention (April 27-May 1), hope to see you there.

Please remember to send IALOH Adjutant information on association and unit functions throughout the year so that this information can be sent to the IALOH officers and Asso-

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David Ginapp, PC



ciation information can be posted on the IALOH Website.

For your convenience, I have added QR codes for the IALOH Convention and Arlington, to make it easer to go to IALOH web page. This will allow you to get to the most updated information and registration forms for the events.





See you soon, David Ginapp IALOH 1st Lt. Commander

ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

GLSA 47th Annual Convention Double Tree by Hilton August 24th - 28th, 2022 Independence, Ohio TALOH Mid-Winter Conference February 20 - 23, 2023 Inn on Barons Creek Fredericksburg, Texas 78624 WSA
Annual Meeting
February 3 - 5, 2023
Luxor Hotel and Casino
Las Vegas, NV

2nd Lieutenant Commander

GRAY AREAS: As winter bids adieu, I think we are all looking forward to spring. February started off with a bang! Many of you know the East/West Shrine Bowl was held here in Las Vegas for the first time. The game showcases the best collegiate players in the nation. Prior to the game, Shriners got to enjoy a great tailgate party, with delicious BBQ provided by local vendors. The Western Shrine Association (WSA) held their Mid-Winter meeting in conjunction with the game festivities. Congratulations to Commander Alan Bergstrom and 1St Lieutenant Commander James Lamb. I know the WSA LOH is in good hands. Thanks to Past Commander Gerry Massey for your efforts and energies ensuring the WSA LOH continues to thrive. The Luxor Hotel was a great venue for the event as it's located directly across the freeway from Allegiant Stadium. The two events being held simultaneously kept us busy, but hopefully not too busy to enjoy Las Vegas.

The Gray family, my Chief of Staff Mike Kearns and his Lady Peggy were off to Fredericksburg, Texas, for the Texas Association Legions of Honor (TALOH) mid-winter meeting. TALOH is always fun. We've made some great friends over the years of attending, great to see them. Congratulations to Commander Paul Plourde, 1st Lt Commander Fred Maynard, 2nd Lt Commander Skip Kirkland and 3rd Lt Commander Alva-

ro Alvarado. TALOH is in good hands. I'm already looking forward to next year's event.

March 24th through the 27th I'll be in Manassas, VA, for our own 8th Lt Commander Geoff Lyster's Mid Atlantic Shrine Association's (MASA) convention. Geoff is the current Commander of MASA and he's got an excellent convention planned. Commander Steve Walker, 1st Lt Commander Dave Ginapp, 3rd Lt Commander Dave Hobbs, and our IALOH Adjutant David Smith will be joining me for the festivities.

In a little over a month, April 27th through May 1st we will all be in Reno, Nevada, for the 91st Annual IALOH convention. If you haven't already made your reservations, it's not too late. Reno is a fun little city, and the convention venue is nice. The Silver Legacy Hotel and the City of Reno are rolling out the red carpet for us so come join us for the fun, fellowship and rekindle old friendships.

Upcoming events beyond the annual convention:

June 3-5, 2022, Tunis Shriners Wreath Ceremony, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, National War Memorial, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. It's been 2 years since we've been able to join our Canadian brothers for this event so I'm certain they are looking for-

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Russell Gray, PC



ward to having us join them for this memorial.

July 2-7, 2022, Shriners International Imperial Session will be in Minneapolis, MN. Let's show Imperial Sir Bill Bailey and Lady Debby the same support they have shown us during the past year.

As you can see, I'll be living out of a suitcase for the next few months but that's what I signed up for! All for the good of the organization. I hope to see you at one of our many upcoming events.

Russ Gray 2nd IALOH Lt Commander



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.

3rd Lieutenant Commander

The holiday season is upon us, with sugar plums dancing in our heads, we are awaiting the bigman 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 HonorUnits.

With the new year coming up quickly we are turning our sights to

traveling to Buffalo, New York 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 your will be able to join the festivities. Allof 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

Division 8



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

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Ray Combs, PP, PIC, PC



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".

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Around the Legion of Honor

Left to Right: 3rd Lt. Commander David Hobbs at Ismailia Change of Command and 1st Lt. Commander David Ginapp at Egypt Change of Command.







8th Lieutenant Commander

Greetings. Lady Theresa and I have been enjoying our winter and trying to stay busy. We value the gatherings that we have attended with the various LOH Units and Masonic bodies.

On March 24-26, 2022 we hosted the MASA LOH Spring Meeting and Installation in historic Manassas, Virginia. It all began with a tour of Manassas National Battlefield. Our group enjoyed a thorough introductory film, and then we took a guided tour of the battlefield.

On Friday evening, there was a themed Welcome Party: 1960s-1970s Disco Party. Some brave souls gave us their best renditions.

On Saturday morning, we gathered early for a Continental breakfast; business meeting and elections. On Saturday night, we enjoyed a big banquet to honor the newly elected and installed officers. We enjoyed a nice meal and then some live music. The dancing lasted until late in the evening. The ball was held in the beautiful Kena - Main Ballroom, Manassas, VA. The was well attended, and a good time was had by all! bodies.



Kena LOH Unit at Geo. Washington Parade on Feb. 21, 2022 (Alexandria, VA)

On January 22, 2022 we were honored to attend the Kena LOH Installation of Officers at the Army Navy Country Club. It was a well-attended event with many members of the Mid-Atlantic Shrine community present. I was pleased to speak in my role as MASA LOH Cmdr and as an IALOH Lt. Cmdr.

-On February 21, 2022 I marched with the Legion of Honor in the George Washington Parade in Alexandria, VA (see photo below). Hosted each year in Alexandria, VA, this parade is the oldest and largest George Washington Birthday Parade in the world.

Lady Theresa and I have been doing a lot of volunteer work in the kitchen these days, helping various Masonic and Shrine organizations. On December 15th, January 14th, February 11th, and March 16th Lady Theresa and I prepared large dinners for groups such as the Scottish Rite, Valley of Alexandria; and Kena Shriners (stated dinners).

On the horizon....

-We are looking forward to the IALOH Convention from April 27-May 1, 2022 in Reno, NV. Commander Walker and his staff have done extensive planning for this event, and we are confident it will be a big success.



With Imperial Potentate Bill Bailey November 6, 2022 (Arlington, VA)

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Geoffrey Lyster, PP



On 8-11 September, 2022 we are looking forward to the Mid-Atlantic Shrine Association (MASA)-LOH Fall Meeting & Inspection in Virginia Beach, VA.

-On 12-13 August, 2022 we are planning to attend the South Eastern Shrine Association (SASA)-LOH Annual Convention in Pigeon Forge, TN. Tennessee is beautiful that time of year, and I enjoy the drive down from Virginia.

We look forward to seeing you soon at a Shrine Temple near you!

YITF Geoffrey Lyster, PP 8th Lt. Commander



The MASA LOH Officers at the Commander's Ball 2022 (Manassas, VA)

From the International Adjutant/Editor

Hi Everyone,

Spring is in the air and that means summer is just around the corner. It will be time for BBQs, boating, and vacations. Be safe and have fun.

I am working on the 2022-2023 year-book. If your Unit or if you want to submit an individual ad, please do so by May 15th, 2022. You can find the yearbook ad form on page 9 or on our website www.ialoh.org/Forms.

There are ten bylaw changes to be voted on at the next convention. If you are going to the convention in Reno please go to our website www.ialoh.org/Bylaws to review the changes.

Lady Kathy and I attended the MASA Change of Command and had a great time. MASA Commander Geoffrey Lyster and Lady Theresa did an outstanding job putting the Change of Command together. I also want to thank Lady Theresa for preparing an outstanding banquet meal.

I want to remind everyone there is still time to get your registration in for the Reno Annual Convention. The convention should be a lot of fun. Oh Yes! Bring a lot of money the slot machines are calling.

In November will be our annual Arlington Pilgrimage. The registration forms are on the website. Go to www.ialoh.org/Event/Arlington Wreath Laying. There have been some changes to Arlington that should make it a fun trip.

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

YITF, David Smith, PC



David Smith, PC

Article deadline for the

July 2022 newsletter

June 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

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Doug Tayrien India Legion of Honor

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