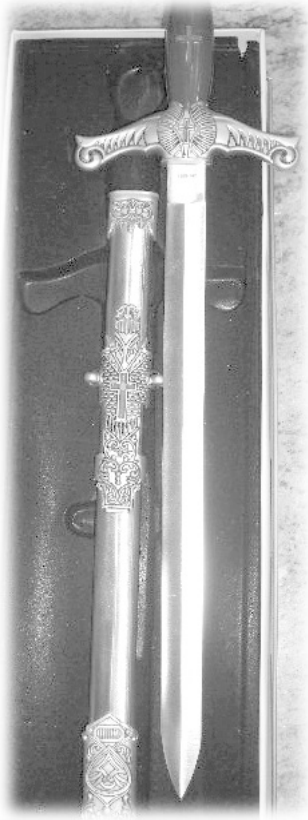


The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar, Inc.

SIR Kt. Eugene Anthony Capobianco has been traveling back and forth to Greece setting in motion a pilgrimage that will take place April 23 to May 5, 2009. To fund this pilgrimage they are selling merchandise on the website www.mercysword.com. For more information please contact Cappy at cappy@mercysword.com or call Toni at 781-322-1123, Mon. to Fri. 9 am to 5 pm.



Little Siobhan, 3, is Selling Paintings

Appended By HERMES BOYATIS
LAUREN SONIS, The Daytona Beach News-Journal



WHILE we joined together in saying farewell to little Elias Tembenis, we received word of one more remarkable child, this time an autistic little girl.

The story of **Siobhan Forrester's** paintings being sold in our neighboring Rhode Island. The three-year-old, sitting in her high chair, can at last be lifted from her silence. At the suggestion of a therapist, she was provided with a canvas and non-toxic paints. She swishes her hands through the colors and smiles at her new world!

She speaks through her fingers. Her creations are displayed and sold at The NeuroDevelopment Center Gallery in Rhode Island.

Three-year-old Siobhan Forrester touches her mother **Julie Forrester** after she finishes painting at their house in Palm Coast, Fla., on Wednesday, November 7, 2007. Siobhan is an autistic professional artist who loves to fingerpaint despite her dislike of touching squishy things.

So, when she threw down her paintbrush and ran her fingers through globs of purple tempera paint, her mother couldn't believe it.

"I was shocked, shocked," said mom Julie Forrester. "If she accidentally got paint from her brush on her hand, she'd freak."

Now, the 3-year-old already has a ticket into the art world her older counterparts are still working toward.

Siobhan's finger paintings, a swirl of colors on canvas, are selling. Her work is displayed at The NeuroDevelopment Center gallery in Rhode Island. One piece has sold there. And five other pieces have sold on Web sites Etsy and eBay. Her paintings are for sale on her Web site siobhansdream.org. Smaller pieces go for about \$30-\$35, and the larger canvases sell for \$50.

Simple tasks like going to preschool may result in sensory overload. And if she feels overwhelmed by an event, sometimes she'll want to stay in her room for two days.

Her speech language pathologist **Mary West** described the overload sensation as similar to feeling a scratchy shirt tag on your back or eating a gross food, only "multiply that by 10,000."

Siobhan's parents introduced her to painting as a form of therapy, getting her used to touching things.

"It's amazing to watch from start to finish," her mother said. "She really seems to enjoy blending the colors to see what happens."

Her mom calls out the name of each color, slowly, until Siobhan waves her hands or smiles or sometimes even says the color, like "bi boo" for "purple" or "yellow, yellow, yellow" indicating what she wants.

Cape Cod Shrine Club's 10th Annual Golf Tourney

The 10th Annual Golf Tournament at The Club at Yarmouthport will be taking place on Friday, June 27, 2008. Sponsored by the Cape Cod Shrine Club, all proceeds from the Tournament will benefit the Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Registration is at 8:00 am and the Shotgun Tee is at 9:00 am. There will be Lots of prizes and tons of fun!

Players donation is \$125.00 and includes continental breakfast, golf hat, goodie bag and the awards lunch at Ardeo's in the Club House.

For more information or to sign up call Ted Theis at 774-521-4100 or Joh Sterge at 508-394-4344.



Aleppo Shriners A.A.O.N.M.S.

CEREMONIAL OKTOBERFEST

Saturday, October 4, 2008

Aleppo Shriners, 99 Fordham Road, Wilmington, MA.
Take Route 93, Exit 39, right off ramp, Fordham Rd. is on left at lights. Aleppo is last building on the right.

WEAR YOUR FEZ

2008 CARD ADMITS YOU

NOTE: Your 2008 Shrine Card is necessary to participate in the above ceremonies. We suggest you obtain yours before the week before the meeting. Wear your fez.

Petitions for Membership must be filed in ALEPPO SHRINE CENTER at Recorder's Office by:
5:00 pm, Wednesday, October 1, 2008.

Aleppo Nobles are FREE. Visiting Nobles will be charged \$10.00. FREE hot dogs. Dinner tickets for Aleppo Nobles must be obtained in advance by mailing in the coupon no later than Friday, September 26, 2008. Send self-addressed stamped envelope for ticket return.

"The Fez Room" - Aleppo's function room will be open for refreshments at 12:00 noon.

PROGRAM OF CEREMONIAL ACTIVITIES

- 9:00 am Candidate's Report
- 9:30 am Business Meeting to Elect Candidates
- 10:00 am First Section Ritual Degree Team
- 11:15 am Second Section "Hot Sands,"
Initiation of Candidates
- 11:45 am "Oktoberfest" Luncheon for all Nobles!
- 1:00 pm Grand Entrance of Officers and Guests
- 1:15 pm Units Exhibitions
- 2:00 pm Parade in Review
- 2:30 pm Good Afternoon Nobles!

STAG Without the Lederhosen

STEPHEN G. ERIKSEN, POTENTATE

Aleppo Ceremonial Oktoberfest

Enclosed find a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Please forward my dinner ticket for the Oktoberfest Ceremonial, Oct. 4, 2008. Aleppo Nobles Free, visiting Nobles \$10.00. Make checks payable to "Aleppo Shriners"

Send Ticket(s) to:

Noble (please print) _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ Please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Send to: 99 Fordham Rd., Wilmington, MA 01887

Oktoberfest MENU

- Knockwurst, bratwurst
- Saurkraut, potato salad
- Roast chicken with herbs
- Potato pancakes
- Tomato and cucumber salad
- Noodles and brown gravy
- Light and dark breads
- German chocolate cake
- Apple strudel, ice cream
- Coffee, tea, fruit punch
- Zem Zem water

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99 Fordham Road
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STATED BUSINESS MEETING

Saturday, June 7, 2008 at 8:15 a.m.

ALEPPO SHRINE WILSON ROOM STATED BUSINESS MEETING

Reading of the Recorder's records.
Act on any other business that may come before the order.

Peter K. Stone
Recorder

Stephen G. Eriksen
Illustrious Potentate