

The Legion of Honor

In 1802 Napoleon founded the honorary French society "Legion of Honor" to recognize distinguished military and civil service. During World War I, Shriners from Maine were impressed by their many pleasant experiences with Legion of Honor members in France and upon their return to this country in January 1919, they chartered Portland Legion of Honor at Kora Temple in Lewiston, Maine as the "First and Oldest Legion of Honor Unit in Shrinedom."

During the 48th annual Session of the Imperial Council at San Francisco, in 1922, Imperial Potentate Ernest A Cutts, of Alee Temple, announced the launching of the formation of Legion of Honor units to include veterans of all conflicts since the Civil War. Several Legions of Honor units were organized in the following years and by 1931, eight temples had Legion of Honor Units.

On 29 June 1931 seven units formed the National Association Legions of Honor, and were given official recognition by Imperial Potentate Esten H. Fletcher, of Damascus Temple.

By 1961, 52 units had been chartered in the National Association and there were seven Non-National Units. Today, there are 157 Legion of Honor Units affiliated with the International Association comprising a membership of over 13,400 members.

Our continuing purpose is to perpetuate the memory of those who made the supreme sacrifice in the service of their country and foster a spirit of patriotism and love of Country and flag.

Our Motto

**To Believe in the Life of Love,
To Walk in the Way of Honor,
To Serve in the Light of Truth,
Our Creed, the Legion of Honor.**

Who We Are:

A uniformed unit of Khedive Temple, whose members served with honor or are presently serving in the Armed Forces of our country. We were chartered on 25 April 1960.

What We Do:

Some of our major activities:

1. Participate in fund raising events for the Temple and Shriners' Hospitals (Oyster Bowl, Paper Drive, Circus, etc.)
2. Participate in Mid-Atlantic and South Atlantic Shrine Association Legions of Honor.
3. Serve as volunteer drivers for the Temple's hospital vans, transporting children to and from the Shriners' Hospitals.
4. Sponsor the Scottish Rite 5th Degree Team.
5. Participate in the annual International Association Legions of Honor wreath laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington cemetery.
6. Meet in regular business session each month. Also attend Temple business meetings.
7. Participate in SASA and MASA Legions of Honor Parades and Color Guard/Drill Team competitions each fall.
8. Hold a single fund raising event for the Unit (Currently a Bar-B-Que).
9. Formal events include the annual Installation Ceremony and a Birthday Ball each year.
10. Enjoy a high level of camaraderie and fun in all we do.

How We Do It:

In a spirit of recognition and gratitude to the Supreme architect of the Universe;

In keeping with personal commitment to precepts and tenants of Free Masonry

In seeking to serve and Support Shriners' Hospitals with love and compassion

In an uniquely high level of brotherly love and fellowship.

Application for Associate Membership in Khedive Legion of Honor



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PETITION FOR ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP
KHEDIVE TEMPLE'S LEGION OF HONOR
Chesapeake, Virginia

I, the undersigned, hereby declare upon my honor that the following statements are true and correct. I am a member in good standing of Khedive Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S. I am a member of _____ Lodge, No. _____, located at _____.
I am serving in or retired from the Armed Forces of the Allies or have honorably served in the same by being either on active duty or in the reserves. I have filled in this petition in my own hand.

Print Full Name: _____ Shrine No. _____

Wife's Full Name: _____ Phone No. _____

Residence Address: _____

Birthplace: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Business or Occupation: _____

Branch of Service: _____ Entry Date: _____ Discharge Date: _____

Rate/Rank Attained: _____ Combat (Y/N): _____ Wounded (Y/N): _____

Foreign Service (Y/N): _____ Where: _____

I respectfully petition Khedive's Legion of Honor for Associate membership therein and I promise, if accepted, to abide by and obey all rules, regulations, orders, and edicts of the Organization. I understand that the Legion of Honor is a service organization of the Shrine, its Officers, and its undertakings. I understand that as an Associate member I am welcome to participate in all activities of the organization but cannot vote or hold office. Should I elect to participate in parades, I will purchase whatever uniforms are adopted by the Unit.

Signature: _____

Unit Member: _____

This petition must be accompanied by the following: (1) Check for initiation fee, medallion (if applicable), and first year's dues. (2) 3" by 5" photograph. (3) Proof of current service, discharge, retirement or release to inactive duty (will be returned).