

**Ahmedian Editor's  
Column  
By Bill LeVeque**



Here I am sitting in front of a keyboard again, with thoughts of all the years that Illustrious Sir Ron Halligan spent editing the Ahmedian. Noble Halligan has always put 110% into everything he has done. I watch him from afar when he lived in the Upper Peninsula. He was Worshipful Master of Ewen Lodge # 67, and Secretary of that same lodge for more than a dozen years. His heart has always beat strong in his service to the Shrine, and was Potentate of Ahmed Shrine in 2001. I cannot thank Noble Halligan enough for his commitment, not only to editing this Newsletter over the years, but also for his dedication to our Fraternity. Ron, I wish you and Gail many years of enjoyment in Florida, and maybe you will have a few extra hours to spend enjoying retirement. Well Done Noble ! As I embark on this venture as your editor, there will be some growing pains, decisions to be made and articles to be written. I am open to suggestions for content, as I want the Ahmedian to not only be informational, but educational as well.

Warmest Regards,  
*Bill LeVeque*

**2nd Ceremonial  
Master  
By Tony Giorgianni**



Hello Nobles, a few quick notes as far as upcoming fundraisers and other topics. First is the new Ahmed Shrine Summer Sports raffle. This should be out by the time this is printed. There are 10 tickets per pack with 1 sellers ticket per pack. Each ticket is \$20 and there is a list of different prizes totaling the value of \$15,000. There is one side note if we do not sell 750 tickets the side-by-side will not be drawn but the rest will. That still leaves 14 prizes for people to win, with a minimum value is \$200, so it's still a great deal. We have a short period of time because I just came up with this idea and got everything rolling. By the time the tickets were printed and state license obtained, we only have until May to sell these. It will be a big opportunity for us as there are several lady friendly prizes in this drawing which has been brought up to me many times.

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