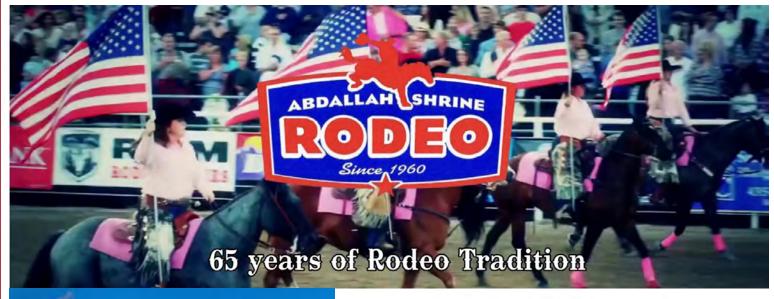
ABDALLAH PLAYGROUND



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It's Rodeo (& Demo Derby) Time!







Potentate's Message...

SHRINERS INTERNATIONAL

Nobles and Ladies.

Wow, the old saying time flies when you're having fun seems in full force as it is June and summer already.

May was another great month of activities starting with Birthday Friday, Casino Night, Stated Meeting, the Ladies Tea, Oasis "Speakeasy" Night, Chipotle Night, the 37th Annual Memorial Day Observance, Texas Roadhouse night and winding up with our Rodeo Queen Contest.

But now it's Rodeo Time! This is one of our biggest fundraisers and it takes a great team of Nobles & Ladies to pull it off. Your Rodeo Committee has been working hard all year long to put this together and now it's Go Time. We'll have an Open meeting on June 3rd to go over final details, and It'll kick off with free Hamburgers, Dogs and Chips



from 6-7pm in the Oasis. A lot of you already have your assignments and if you don't, get with III Sir Jeff or III Sir Ronnie and we'll find you a spot.

Big shout out to our Red Zone Committee and those who helped in sponsoring 23 of our 27 Kansas Shrine Bowl Players from our area. As an added bonus, Lansing High School player Ayden Ellington will be singing the National Anthem at our Rodeo. I know it's a drive but I hope many of you can make it out to Dodge City for the 52nd Annual Kansas Shrine Bowl on the 21st.

Bring your friends to our activities and let them see what belonging to such a great organization is about. Deb and I look forward to seeing everyone at our Abdallah activities this year.

Fraternally,

Mike Guilinger Potentate Having Fun & Helping Kids while Keeping it Alive in '25





Abdallah Shriners

Elected Divan

Potentate III. Mike Guilinger
Chief Rabban Tony Pagel
Assistant Rabban Allen Baiamonte
High Priest & Prophet Rob Swecker
Oriental Guide Tim Preece
Treasurer III. Ronnie White, PP
Recorder III. Herb Merrick, PP

Appointed Divan

1st Ceremonial Chris Harrison
2nd Ceremonial Chris Snell
Marshall Calvin Smith
Captain of the Guard Chase LaPorte
Outer Guard Larry Riggs
Chaplin Jerry Ogden

Bingo Committee

Chairman Chris Snell

Membership Committee

Membership Chairman Mark Sager
Assistant Chairman Jacob Davisson
Recruitment Kurt Osmundson
Restoration Ill. Tim Williams, PP
Retention Ill. Bennie Smith, PP
Relationships Jacob Davisson

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Term 2021 - 2025 Ralph Anderton
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Term 2023 - 2027 Ill. Kevin Larson, PP
Term 2024 - 2028 Dennis Hubler
Term 2025 - 2029 Ill.Jeff Johnson, PP

Parade Marshall

Mark Sager

Potentate Aides

Chief Aides Dennis & Sue Hubler

Personal Aides

Gaylon Jones & Anna Marie Swearengin

TEMPLE OFFICE HOURS
MONDAY-THURSDAY 10:00 am – 4:00 pm
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5300 Metcalf Avenue, Overland Park, KS
66202

Send address changes to Temple Office



ABDALLAH SHRINERS OPEN MEETING



ABDALLAH OASIS

5300 Metcalf AVE, Overland Park, KS 66202 Tuesday, June 3, 2025 7:30 PM

Mike Guilinger Illustrious Potentate III. Herb Merrick,PP Recorder

BINGO

June Schedule

Jun. 2	Weekenders
Jun. 9	Blue Racers
Jun. 16	Tin Lizzies
Jun. 23	Misfits
Jun. 30	Clowns/Jokers

July Schedule

Jul. 7	Greeters
Jul. 14	TASS
Jul. 21	Escorts
Jul. 28	Oriental Band

A minimum of six (6) Nobles and/or Ladies are needed for Bingo Nights by 5:45 pm. If for any reason you cannot work your scheduled time, please try to change with another Unit or Club and then notify the Shrine Office at least one week in advance of the scheduled day.

Thank you in advance for helping with Bingo. This is one of our biggest fund raisers!

In Memory:

No Black Camels to report this month.



Around The Temple...

Coffee Club

Join us the 2nd & 4th
Wednesday at 9am for Coffee,
Fellowship and something to
eat. On the 2nd Wednesday we have a hot
breakfast prepared by Chef Jeffery and on
the 4th it's doughnuts. If you can let Jerry
know your attending in advance, it will help
our planning to make sure we have enough.
816-260-8882 or imastart@kc.rr.com.

If it's a last minute thing, come on anyway. Feel free to bring a good story or joke with you! Hell, even bring your lady along if she won't let you out of the house without her. Hope to see you there.

2025 Parades

Date 0/10	Parade	Location
3/16	St Pats	Shawnee
6/21	KSB Parade	Dodge City
7/4	4th of July	Lenexa
7/23	Miami Co Fair	Paola
7/29	Leavenworth Co Fair	Tonganoxie
8/2	Jo Co Fair	Gardner
8/23	Tiblow Days	Bonner Springs
8/30	CSSA	Des Moines
9/27	Spring Hill Days	Spring Hill
10/11	Turner Days	Turner
10/25	Halloween Parade	Atchison
10/31	Halloween Parade	Hiawatha
11/11	Veterans Day	Leavenworth

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Meeting Dinner in the Oasis 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, & Chips (No Charge)

Nobles and Ladies are welcomed and encouraged to join us for dinner.

Units and Clubs

Don't forget to wirte an Article for the PLAYGROUND.

Our readers would like to hear about your past and future events and other activities that they missed out on.

It's a good way to get information out to the New Nobels and Ladies (as well as other members) to peak their interest in your group. Email your articles (don't forget to includes pictures) to abdallahgplayground30@gmail.com.

Abdallah Google Calendars

Abdallah Shriners uses Google calendar to manage and track our activities. Several of these calendars are available to the public which you can access. They are Abdallah Activities, Parades and Unit & Committee Meetings. It is best to have a google account and have google calendar installed to see these. They may work with other calendar programs but no guarantee. They are accessible by adding the following links to your calendar:

Activities

Unit & Committee Meetings

Parades

June Birthdays...

Frank E. Karim	6/1
Thomas E. Davis	6/1
John W. Bennett	6/2
Marshall A. Widman	6/2
Dennis V. Christo	6/3
Edward A. McConwell Jr.	6/3
Oran K. McDaniel	6/4
John E. Masters Jr.	6/6
Edward M. Rice	6/7
Dennis M. Miles	6/8
James C. Anderson	6/9
Earl E. Genter Jr	6/11
Larry D. Tatum	6/12
Anthony Batencourt	6/13
Joe N. Johnson	6/13
Callan Martin	6/13
Robert Morton	6/14
Yogi Gupta	6/14
William E. Harmon	6/16
Kevin R. Wilkinson	6/17
David W. Barger	6/17
David A. Bondank	6/19
John R. Dill	6/20
Richard E. Johnson	6/20
Kurt Osmundson	6/21
Paul F. Frame	6/22
Leonard C. Harper	6/22
Robert L. Neville	6/22
Glenn G. Hamilton	6/23
Ronald J. Fitch	6/23
Darrel R. Schrader	6/23
Alan D. Harmon	6/23
J. K. Verden	6/25
Donald R. Freeman	6/25
Albert G. Sharp	6/28
Trevor L. Urban	6/29
Jeremy B. Fassnacht	6/29
Harvey L. Gartner	6/30
David L. Wells	6/30





III. Mike Guilinger and May Birthday Celebrants.

Next Birthday Friday - June 6th!

Come on down to the Abdallah Oasis to celebrate this month's Birthdays along with your fellow Nobles.

Birthday Fridays are the first Friday of the month and start at 7:00 pm (for open bar). Feel free to bring a snack to share.

Around The Temple...

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The Recorder's Ramblings

We remain a very busy temple, and it does not slow down. A few reminders, we still have a few members who have not paid their 2025 dues. If you are interested in helping the membership committee by contacting these nobles please stop by and see me or discuss it with our membership chairman. This month we republished our tobacco policy which is to conform to the Overland Park Ordinance. If you have questions, please contact the office. CSSA is coming in just a few months, you can drop off your registration and



pay at the office. Office hours remain 10 AM to 4 PM Monday through Thursday and by appointment. The Temple continues to look for building managers and bartenders see a Divan representative if you are interested in joining these nobles. If your unit is planning an activity see the office for the paperwork or download it from the website. This includes floor plans again, we can help at the office. We can also help if you are looking for tickets to events or if you are working on an event, we can help you get them printed or put them on the online site. Finally, this is my last year as a recorder so if you are considering that being a recorder is something you would like do but are not sure what it entails, stop by and see me and we can discuss what is involved. More information will be published soon.

III. Herb Merrick, PP - Recorder



From the Archives

We recently came across a photo of Abdallah Shriners from 1922! There's a note on the photo indicating it's at Ceremonial on August. 31, 1922 in Leavenworth, KS. FYI, the Temple was located in Leavenworth for a number of years.

From what we know today, the former site of the Abdallah Temple building is now a parking lot.



Around The Temple...

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Door Upgrade - ADA Compliant Electronic Door Openers

The Brown Family has asked that Abdallah install ADA Compliant Electronic Door Openers on the North and South Lobby entry doors of our building. This was a wish of Joe's after having to navigate this issue with Carolyn over the last few years. In honor of Joe & Carolyn Brown, the Building Association Board has agreed to this request and a donation fund has been created for this purpose. You may have already seen a Donorbox program on Facebook. There is also a link to it on our website in the More section. Here is the link: https://

abdallahshriners.com/donations

Anyone who desires to make a contribution to this program may also send a check to the Abdallah office, memo: ADA Door Fund or drop it by the office. Credit Card Donations are also accepted at the Abdallah office.

Let's make this happen!





Temple Donation

On behalf of the Chef de Shriners, Nobel Ed Rice presented Illustrious Mike Guilinger a check for \$400 at the May Stated Meeting.

The check was given in memory of Brother Joe Brown, who was a long-time member of the Chef de Shriners and faithfully served dinner at our Stated Meetings for a number of years.



Around The Temple...

Meet Ayden Ellington..Player and Singer

In addition to being one of our area Kansas Shrine Bowl Players, Abdallah Shriners will have the honor of having Ayden Ellington sing the National Anthem at this year's Abdallah Shrine Rodeo on

Thursday and Friday night!

Ayden was born at Providence Hospital in KCKS and has always lived in Lansing and attended Lansing Schools.

A talented individual, Ayden has many accolades: 2-time United Kansas Conference, All-Conference Defensive Player, named on the Kansas Football Coaches Association, All-State 4A Team. 3times Kansas District Choir Member, Kansas



All-State Choir Member, and 4A Kansas Powerlifting State Runner-up.

After high school, Ayden is planning on attending Missouri Valley College in Marshall Missouri, where he plans to continue playing football (Linebacker) and majoring in Psychology.

Thank you and good luck to Ayden Ellington - we have a winner on and off the field!



We are sending our sincere condolences to the Kling and Brown Families. We have lost 3 wonderful hard working people. Our hearts go out to these families.

Birthday Friday was a large crowd; seems to be getting bigger every month! This is a great way to meet new Nobles and their family. Hope to see you there on June 6th at 7:00 p.m.

Casino Night was so much fun. Lots of great prizes. Couple of our Tin Lizzies won prizes. A fun evening was had by all that attended.

The Ladies Tea Party was so much fun. Some pretty dresses and cute hats. The program was very interesting. Again two of the Lizziettes won some beautiful flowers arrangement. All the ladies got a rose and a tea pot to take home. Thanks for a fun day Debbie; the food was great too!

The Popup Speakeasy also was also a fun evening. Great costumes and the live entertainment was wonderful. Fun was had by those that attended.

Rodeo is June 11th-13th - volunteers are still needed. Sign up to help make this a successful event!

Don't forget the Shrine East West game at Dodge City June 21st.

Happy Birthday to the following for the Month of May and June:

Linda Anderton	5-4
Naomi Goodnight	5-20
Jeanie Horseman	5-27
Candy Kling	6-10
Cindy Reese	6-21

Happy Anniversary to the following for the Month of May and June:

Eric and Barbara Foster 5-20 Ike and Cookie Sisemore 6-29

Tin Lizzie Mystery Writer June 2025

June 2025 Abdallah Playground

Around The Temple...

Rolling Thunder!



Nomads continue to brave the Spring weather every Thursday at Sunflower Hills Golf Course in Bonner Springs. Tee-times have been around 8:00 am.

If you're a golfer or like to ride in cool carts, call Patrick W. Emmett

913-744-6347 and he'll get you on the contact roster for weekly tee times. All are welcome!





The Abdallah Social Society enjoyed another monthly get-together on Thursday, May 22nd for fellowship, fun, and good laughs. As always, we started with social time, dinner, a ocial Society quick meeting, and back to socializing! Thank you Tim Preece

and Gary Benefield for dinner.



Come check out the Abdallah Social Society! Dues are \$50/year and your initiation fee is a bottle of your favorite drink. Our next meeting will be June 26th, social gathering around 5:00 pm, dinner at 6:30 pm.

Bring a cigar to share. We have a raffle for those brought in and when your number is called, you get to pick from the pile! For more information, contact Allen Baiamonte, 816-204-0945 or Chris Snell, 913-461-8888.



Around The Temple...

Another Onion Year for the Record Books

We received our onions on Friday, May 2nd and got them distributed the same day! Thanks to all



the Nobles (and Ladies) who came out and made it a smooth day. A special thanks to Noble Lynn Baker for bringing out his Bobcat to unload pallets.

If you or your unit still need more onions, be sure to contact our Onion Chair, HP&P Rob Swecker, at 330-531-2741 or swlen4@gmail.com. He can let you know if any other units still have onions for sale.



Thank You for Supporting Abdallah Rodeo Fundraiser Nights

On May 21st and May 28th, Abdallah had two fundraising events at local food establishments. The first one was at Chipotle on Johnson Drive and the other one was at Texas Roadhouse on Metcalf.

A percentage of the proceeds from both events went to our Abdallah Rodeo fund. Thank you to all the Shriners and families who came out, enjoyed a good meal and each other's company.

Every dollar helps!



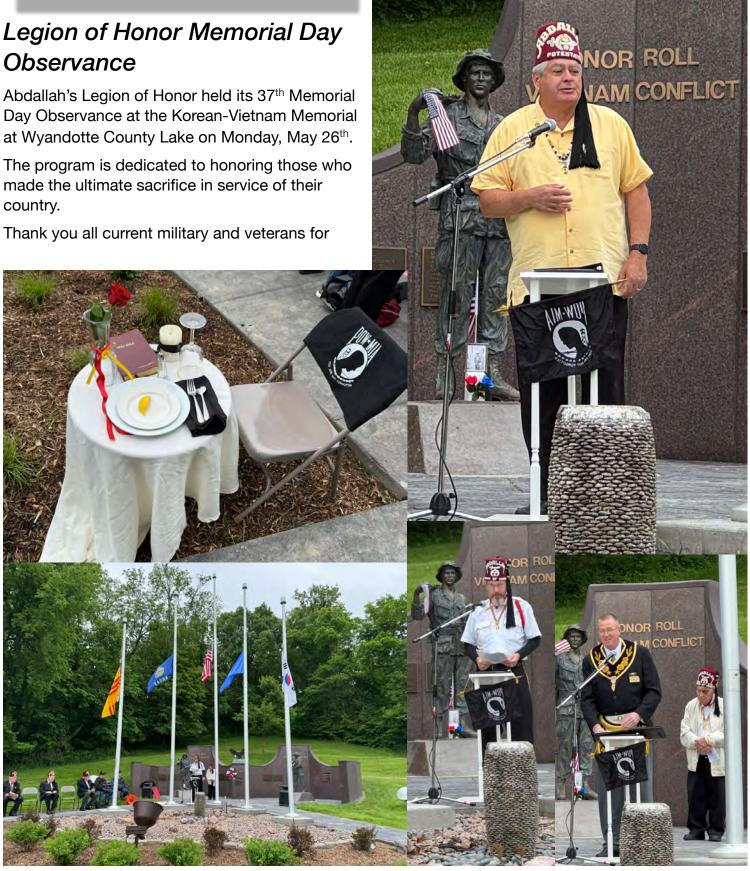




Red Zone Player Presentations



Temple Events...





















Shriners International Legacy Month is celebrated in June, coinciding with Shriners International Awareness Day (June 6) and Father's Day.





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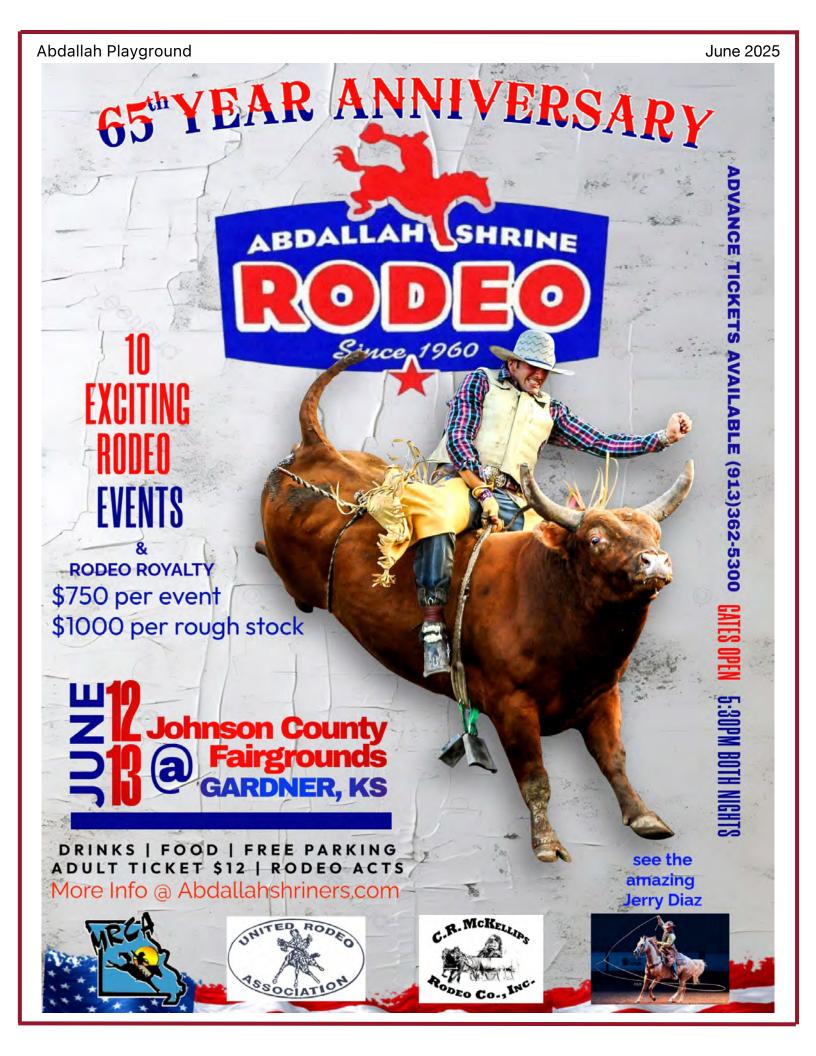
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June 11th 6pm - 9pm

Johnson County fairgrounds Gardner, Kansas



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52nd Kansas Shrine Bowl

Presented by Mammoth

Thursday 2:00 PM **Band Hospital Experience** June United Wireless Arena Conference Center 4100 West Comanche St **Dodge City** Friday 8:00 AM Football Hospital Experience June 9:00 AM Kansas Shrine Bowl **Golf Tournament** 20 Mariah Hills Golf Course 12:30 PM Cheer Hospital Experience **UWA Conference Center** 5:30 PM **Charity Carnival** Food Trucks, Ice Cream, to Carnival & Casino Games. 9:30 PM Player Autographs & more! *No Ticket Required to Dodge City Civic Center attend Charity Carnival 2100 1st Ave - Dodge City Saturday 10:00 AM Kansas Shrine Bowl Parade 2nd Avenue - Downtown June 4:00 PM Fan Fest - FREE Event Presented by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas 6:00 PM Memorial Stadium South Parking Lot 52nd Kansas Shrine Bowl KANSAS Presented by Mammoth Memorial Stadium 400 West Comanche St 5:00pm - Gates Open 6:15pm - Pre-Game 7:00pm - Kick-Off

For Partner Hotels visit:

For all event info visit:

KansasShrineBowl.com/Events

52nd Kansas Shrine Bowl

2025Dodge City Hotels

Hampton Inn & Suites
Official Host Hotel for the Kansas Shrine Bowl Headquarters
4002 W Comanche St. Dodge City, KS 67801.
To check on availability, please contact the Kansas Shrine Bowl office
at 913-602-8656. Specific booking link available for all Potentates.
Elected Divan, KSB Board Members & Imperial Officers.

TownPlace Suites

2800 W Wyatt Earp Blvd, Dodge City, KS 67801 Kansas Shrine Bowl rate: \$169 + tax Call hotel front desk at 620-371-7171 and ask for the Kansas Shrine Bowl rate. Rate available until June 12. 2025 pending availability.

Best Western Plus Country Inn & Suites 506 N 14th Ave. Dodge City, KS 67801 Kansas Shrine Bowl rate: \$159 + tax Call hotel front desk at 520-225-7378 and ask for the Kansas Shrine Bowl rate. Rate available until May 15, 2025 pending availability.

Comfort Suite

2700 W Wyatt Earp Blvd, Dodge City, KS 67801 Kansas Shrine Bowl rate: \$129 + tax Use this Kansas Shrine Bowl booking link: Rate available until June 16, 2025 pending availability.

Super 8 by Wyndham

1708 W Wyatt Earp Blvd, Dodge City, KS 67801 Kansas Shrine Bowl rate: \$104 * tax (Single); \$109 * tax (Double) Call hotel front desk at 620-682-4524 and ask for the Kansas Shrine Bowl rate. Rate available until May 15, 2025 pending

Best Western North Edge Inn 404 W Frontview St. Dodge City, KS 67801 Kansas Shrine Bowl rate: \$179 + tax Call hotel front desk at 620-371-6441 and ask for the Kansas Shrine Bowl rate. Rate available until May 15, 2025 pending availability



For more info contact:

913-602-8656

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events@KansasShrineBowl.com



14th Annual

Golf Tournament

Four Man Scramble Sunday, July 27th, 2025 9:30 am Registration .. 1:00 pm Shotgun

Sunflower Hills Golf Course, 12200 Riverview Ave., Bonner Springs, KS Registration deadline July 13th, 2025

Tournament is open to anyone

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Team Captain	
Email	Phone
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Please Send "Ca	sh or Check" Only To:
Scott Steele, 7740 Long St	reet, Lenexa. KS 66216 913-515-4996
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and are not tax deductible as a charitable contribution.



Abdallah Shriners

2025 Reservation Form

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6220 Stagecoach Drive West Des Moines, IA 50266

Abdallah-Ararat-Mirza Joint Hotel

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Please Contact Abdallah Shriners Office for reservations and payments. 913-362-5300 or office@abdallahshrine.org

Around the Realm...

















The El Ma'at Temple No. 120, Daughters of the Nile has been busy making summer plans. In addition to attending Supreme Session in Las Vegas, they are planning to hold a fund-raising dinner and bazaar to benefit the Shrine Children at Old Mission Lodge from 10am-3pm on Saturday, June 28th. All are encouraged to join in for a good meal and a fun shopping experience for a great cause.

The Supreme Queen will visit the Kansas City area on Tuesday, July 29th. The Ceremonial is for members only at 3pm, but the dinner following is open to all in the Shrine family. We look forward to a great turn out to welcome Kathy Walliker from Portland, Oregon.

This year celebrates 100 years of Daughters of the Nile formally supporting Shriners Children's as their sole philanthropic endeavor. Through the Daughters of the Nile Foundation and Daughters of the Nile Canadian Foundation, our organization has contributed over \$74 Million dollars to this meaningful cause, which holds a special place in our hearts.

You are invited to learn more about Daughters of the Nile and join in with helping the Children!



Around the Realm...

















Delaware Demolay Chapter is having a Country Meats Fundraiser!



Order Now at www.CountryMeats.com/fundraiser/delaware-demolay-chapter or by scanning the QR code with your phone!



A Big Thank You For All Your Support

You can help even more by sharing this with a friend or sharing the URL or QR code on social media with friends!



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UPCOMING EVENTS AT ABDALLAH SHRINE

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
01	02 Bingo- Weekenders	03 ABDALLAH OPEN MEETING	04	05	06 Birthday Friday	07 Old Shawnee Days Parade
08	Bingo-Blue Racers Rodeo/Derby Move & Set Up	10 Rodeo/Derby Move & Set Up	11 Abdallah Family Fun Night	12 Abdallah Rodeo	Abdallah Rodeo	14 Abdallah Demo Derby
15 Rodeo/Derby Take Down	Bingo-Tin Lizzies	17	18	19	20	21 52 nd Kansas Shrine Bowl
22	23 Bingo-Misfits	24	25 Coffee Club	26 TASS Mtg	27	28
29	30 Bingo- Jokers/Clowns					
Imperial Session-Atlanta	Imperial Session-Atlanta					

JUL2025

UPCOMING EVENTS AT ABDALLAH SHRINE

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		01 Imperial Session-Atlanta	02 Imperial Session-Atlanta	03 Imperial Session-Atlanta	04 Lenexa 4 th of July Parade	05
06	07 Bingo-Greeters	08 ABDALLAH STATED MEETING	09 Coffee Club	10	11 Birthday Friday	12 Shriners Day @ ST Louis Cardinals
13	14 Bingo-TASS	15	16	17	18	19 Shrinewood Derby
20	21 Bingo-Escorts	22	23 Coffee Club	24 TASS Mtg	25	26 Johson County Derby
27 Escorts Golf Tournament	28 Bingo-Oriental Band	29	30	31		
	Johnson CountyFair	Johnson CountyFair	Johnson CountyFair	Johnson CountyFair		