

ABDALLAH PLAYGROUND



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Overland Park, KS

St. Louis Hospital Trip - Abdallah Shriners visit our Philanthropy!



Abdallah Shriners

Elected Divan

Potentate	Ronnie White
Chief Rabban	Mike Guilinger
Assistant Rabban	Tony Pagel
High Priest & Prophet	Allen Baiamonte
Oriental Guide	Rob Swecker
Treasurer	Chris Muro, P.P.
Recorder	Herb Merrick, P.P.

Appointed Divan

1st Ceremonial	Frank Shell
2nd Ceremonial	Tim Preece
Marshall	Matt Carter
Captain of the Guard	Chris Harrison
Outer Guard	Mike Saylor

Membership Committee

Membership Chairman	Jacob Davisson
Recruitment	Kurt Osmundson
Restoration	Tim Williams, P.P.
Retention	Bennie Smith, P.P.
Relationships	Jacob Davisson

Bingo Committee

Chairman	Chris Snell
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Building Association Trustees

Term 2020 - 2024	Jeff Johnson
Term 2021 - 2025	Ralph Anderton
Term 2022 - 2026	Lynn Baker
Term 2023 - 2027	Kevin Larson
Term 2024 - 2028	Dennis Hubler

2024 Potentate Aides

Co-Chief Aides	Eric & Barb Foster
Co-Chief Aides	Jeff & Gloria Johnson

2024 Personal Aid

Blaine Miller

TEMPLE OFFICE HOURS

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66202

Send address changes to Temple Office

Dear Nobles and Ladies,

As the year is now more than half over, we just wanted to take a moment to express our deepest gratitude to each and every one of you for your unwavering support throughout the year. Your encouragement, kindness, and love have meant more to us than words can express.

Whether it was a simple text message, a listening ear, a word of advice or a helping hand, your support has been a constant source of strength and inspiration for us. We are truly blessed to have such amazing friends and family in our life.

We are grateful for all the memories we have shared, the laughter we have enjoyed, and the moments we have celebrated together. Your presence in our lives has made this year truly special, and we are so thankful for each and every one of you.

As Barbie and I look ahead to the remainder of the year, We are filled with hope and excitement for what the future holds. And we know that with your continued support and love, we will conquer any challenges that come our way.

Thank you again for everything you have done for us this year. We are truly blessed to have you all in our lives. Wishing you all happiness and healthiness throughout years filled with love, joy, and prosperity.

With gratitude and love,

Illustrious Sir Ronnie & First Lady Barble



Around The Temple...

The Playground is Back!

As promised, we've been working on getting the *Abdallah Playground* off and running! After a brief hiatus, we've found some new volunteers ready to take over. We hope you enjoy our effort to reintroduce our Temple magazine!



As you can see, the initial issue is electronic (same as the last few years). The biggest challenge is the cost of printing, mailing, as well as getting volunteers to help organize, fold, assemble, staple, and prepare the magazine so we can send hardcopy issues. We're still looking at future alternatives and we'll keep you posted. In the meantime, thank you Nobles and Units who have already contributed something for the reintroduced *Playground*!

By the way, we'd like your feedback as well as if you're interested in helping out (in any way). You can email any comments or suggestions to: abdallahplayground30@gmail.com

A Special Thanks...

I want to thank all of you that attended Larry's funeral. Our family really appreciate that you took the time to come.

Thank you to Jerry Ogden for doing the service and Wayne Rector and the other men that performed the Masonic Service. Larry loved Abdallah and being a Shriner.

Sharon Steele



Nobles Honored by DeMolay

EMPORIA, KS - On August 3, 2024, two of our nobles, Potentate Ronnie White and Ralph Anderton were conferred with DeMolay International's Honorary Legion of Honor and Legion of Honor, respectively. The ceremony took place at the annual Kansas DeMolay Conclave at Emporia Lodge, #12.

Designed by the Founder, Frank S. Land, the Legion of Honor is the highest honor conferred by DeMolay International. DeMolay International may confer the DeMolay Legion of Honor upon a Senior DeMolay, who has attained the age of



twenty-five years for outstanding leadership in some field of endeavor, or for success in fraternal life, including adult service to the Order.

Likewise, the DeMolay Honorary Legion of Honor can be conferred upon a Mason who is not a Senior DeMolay, who has attained the age of thirty years as of the first day of the annual meeting of the year nominated, and who has performed unusual and meritorious service on behalf of the Order or who has evidenced a spirit of cooperation and appreciation for the Order.

***Congratulations,
Illustrious Ronnie and Ralph!***

Around The Temple...continued

Fall Ceremonial Around the Corner - Oct. 5th!

Our annual Fall Ceremonial is set for Saturday, Oct. 5 at the Abdallah Shrine Temple. Festivities begin at 12:30 pm, starting with registration and a social gathering. Activities continue throughout the day, concluding with a lock-in in the evening and breakfast Sunday morning.

Pre-ceremonial activities will kick-off on Friday, October, 4th with our usual Birthday Friday celebrations. There are plans for Camel Herders and Turtle Degrees that evening around 8:30 pm. We'll also have a special guest at our Ceremonial, Owen Mahan, one of our Shriners Children patients.

More details can be found in this month's *Playground* (see the flyer later in this issue). If you plan on attending the dinner Saturday night, around 5:00 pm, be sure to RSVP the Office (call or email) so we can get a good head count. In lieu of hors d'oeuvres for the unit expo, everyone is encouraged to bring deserts. Plan on attending and join us in welcoming our new Nobles!

2025 Trip Announced

Chief Rabban Mike Gulinger and Lady Deb invite you to join them on a 5-night cruise to the Western Caribbean ports of Costa Maya and Cozumel. The trip sets sail from the Port of Galveston aboard Royal Caribbean's *Mariner of the Seas*. Before the cruise, there are plans to take a tour of the Shriners Children's Texas facilities Monday morning.

There is a required \$200 deposit per cabin which is fully refundable until December 20, 2024, so if you have interest, don't wait. See the trip flyer.

Be sure to review the details on the booking site as

this does not include transportation to Galveston as well as the one night hotel stay and Galveston ground transportation.

The booking link for the trip can be found at: <https://traveljoy.com/bookings/CSDB9WKNSFXG2ehwy8iyn3mj>. Once you have booked, its recommend that you set up an "account" with RoyalCaribbean.com.

BINGO

October Schedule

Oct. 7	Provost/LOH
Oct. 14	Blue Racers
Oct. 21	Tin Lizzies
Oct. 28	Weekenders

November Schedule

Nov. 4	Misfits
Nov. 11	Greeters
Nov. 18	Clowns/Jokers
Nov. 25	TASS

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.

For Units that have enough members to support Bingo and sell tickets, can sell 50/50 raffle tickets and keep the proceeds!

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

Around The Temple...continued

CSSA 2024 A Success!

Abdallah Temple attended CSSA in Topeka, KS. We had 53 Nobles and Ladies attend this year and coordinated our host hotel with Ararat Shriners.

Several of our Units competed at CSSA including the Blue Racers and Provost Guard. The Blue Racers finished 2nd in the Team Obstacle course, while the Provost Guard walked away with multiple trophies (see their article later on). Several members of our Oriental Band joined in a CSSA Ballyhoo - a great time was had by all!





ABDALLAH SHRINERS STATED MEETING



ABDALLAH AUDITORIUM
5300 Metcalf, Overland Park, KS

Tuesday, October 8, 2024
7:30 PM

Ronnie White
Illustrious Potentate

Herb Merrick P.P.
Recorder

Around The Temple...continued

The Oriental Band will be presenting the Camel Herder's Degree on October 4th during Birthday Friday, starting at 8:30pm.



The Degree is offered to help the Oriental Band raise money for the Oriental Band Ladder of Smiles charity. This is done by providing all Camel Herders with a "Camel" medallion. Not all Oriental Bands support the LOS in this way.

Upon request from a fellow Herder, a Herder should present his Camel medallion, If he cannot produce the "Camel", he is obligated to pay the requester \$1, this \$1 is paid once a day. That \$1 would be forwarded to the Oriental Band as a donation for their national charity, the Ladder Of Smiles. The Band accumulates that money and normally makes the donation once a year, requested to be presented to Saint Louis Shriner's Children.

There is a cause to our fun. Come join us, we would love to laugh with you!

25-Year Recognition

Congratulations to Illustrious Sir Jeff Johnson, on being presented his 25-year service emblem at Overland Park Lodge #436. M.: W.: Brother Tony Borum was in attendance to present this service award to our Brother who has served 25 years of continuous service. Mrs. Gloria Johnson, Lady of Illustrious Sir, was present to pin this award to his coat.



Special Thanks!

Special thanks to the Oriental Band for allowing us to bring Saroya out for the Johnson County Parade as well as the Spring Hill Parade! She got quite a bit of attention from the parade attendees and the kids really seemed to enjoy seeing her!

Somehow, I managed to keep her from bucking me off! She's a well-behaved Camel, and represents Abdallah Shrine Temple well! Thanks again!

Around The Temple...continued



Since our last article, which has been a while, the Escort unit has evolved. I'm sure some of

you remember when the unit only accepted Gold Wings, but then started allowing other brands of motorcycles. We are now actively recruiting people with NO motorcycles and people who have been Escort for years that had to sell their motorcycles (mostly for health reasons), including yours truly. We Escorts without motorcycles are listed as honorary members. If you would like to join an active unit, we would love to have you!

We do a number of things to keep the unit busy some of which are monthly dinners, fundraisers, supporting Abdallah not only financially but helping out at the Rodeo and events at the Shrine. For the past ten years we have done a golf tournament, but this year, on October 27th we are hosting a dinner, Chiefs watch party and a silent auction of sports memorabilia. The public is welcome; admission is \$20.

Unit members will be assisting with a membership booth at the Turner Days Festival on October 12th.

Many of you already know that we recently lost one of your long-time members, Larry Steel to the Black Camel. He will be forever missed. Our condolences to Sharon and the family.

Submitted by Sam & Randi



Abdallah Tin Lizzies

The Tin Lizzies and friends had a fun time at Ralph and Linda Anderton's beautiful home for a picnic. The day was so nice. Thanks to you both for having the gang!

Our Shrimp dinner was successful this year! A good crowd. Thanks to Eric Foster and all his Cookers, the Kitchen workers, and the ladies working the floor. We got lots of compliments on the food. Thanks to all that came and worked.

A group of Tin Lizzies went to Branson and fun was had by all. Thanks again to the Anderton's!

We have four new member and ladies to join the Tin Lizzie: Ralph/Linda Anderton, Ron/Bobbi Maybell, Dick Strong, and Mike/Terri Thomas welcome to the Tin Lizzie and Lizziettes.

1st Friday Birthday is Oct.4, 2025. We are having large crowds and lots of food. Plan on joining us for fun evening.

The Shrine Ceremonial is Oct. 5th. Going to be quite different this year, so watch your updates for more information. Come and welcome our new members and have a fun day!

Happy Birthday to the Following for the Month of October:

Ike Sisemore 10-10

Deb Sullivan 10-19

Life's biggest tragedy is we get old too soon and wise too late!

Mystery Writer



Shriners International

Around The Temple...continued



Hello new Nobles. Welcome to Abdallah Shrine. Each of the Antique and Classic Cars Unit members will

be happy to welcome you personally to our fraternity. The shrine has a 100 plus years of charitable history, caring for children who need medical assistance by providing their medical care with no expense to their families. We are happy to have you join us in this mission.

Besides our charitable goals we are also a group of men who seek to enjoy their experience by participating in the many parties and events Shrine members have to offer. Birthday Friday was how many of you were introduced to our fraternity. This was just the beginning. We have a full calendar of activities for you and your spouse or friend to look forward to. We have many clubs to join from golf or a cooking club, to a cigar and whiskey club.

One of the main activities of Shriners is to participate in parades which are held in many surrounding communities. Parades are an outreach effort to make the public aware of our organization and our noble charitable mission. We are organized into parade units and you have a wide array of choices to consider, everything from motorcycles, small cars, clowns or an oriental band. All are good and you will have friends in most of the units.

The Abdallah Shrine Antique and Classic Cars Unit would like to invite you to check us out when making your choice. We meet the first Wednesday of every month generally in the Shrine Oasis. When not meeting there we go to local restaurants or we meet for a pot-luck dinner at a member's home. We often meet and go to car museums in

the area or simply go to various car shows. Many of our members belong to other car clubs so we have a wide choice of automotive-related activities to choose from. Our purpose is to provide transportation to the Abdallah Shrine Potentate and Divan and visiting dignitaries. A virtue is, we do not have to wear make-up, we do not need to trailer our vehicles, and we simply drive home after a parade. We accept anyone, no matter what you drive. You do not need an antique or a classic car. Whatever you drive is okay with us, truck, jeep, Ute. It's all good!

The choice is yours so, choose wisely. Always know, you are welcome with our group, no matter what you choose. We look forward to spending more time with you. Patrick W. Emmett, President, Antique and Classic Cars Unit. 913-744-6347.

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 you're 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.



Meeting Dinner
6:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Stuffed bell peppers, Mashed potatoes & gravy, Green beans, Salad, Desert, Coffee or Tea
\$12

Ladies are welcome and encouraged to join us for dinner. Please come support Abdallah Chefs!

Around The Temple...continued



Welcome back to the Playground!

The provost has been busy providing security during outside rentals at

Abdallah. The provost provided security during the rodeo and demolition derby.

We have also attended many parades over the summer, including the CSSA parade. We had the Spring Hill parade on September 28th, where Ararat will join Abdallah, and we will join Ararat at the Blue Springs parade on October 26th.

We had a great group that participated in CSSA this year. We competed in three pistol events and two shotgun events. We brought home the following awards:



Men's pistol B division open site second place,
 The men's B team optical first place,
 Men pistol A division second place,
 The Men's A team optical first place,

and a first for Abdallah: one of our Abdallah ladies brought home a ladies individual balloon shoot second place award.



One more point of interest, Don Matteson, the provost president, was

voted as the Sergeant at Arms for the CSSA Provost. Congratulations, Don!



Anyone interested in shooting can join us on the first Tuesday of the month for pistol practice at 5:00 pm at The Bullet Hole in Overland Park. We also practice sporting clay and trap shooting at Powder Creek at different times.

Our unit is open to all, regardless of skill level or experience. Whether you're a seasoned shooter or a complete novice, you're welcome to join us on the first Tuesday of every month for pistol practice at The Bullet Hole in Overland Park. We also practice sporting clay and trap shooting at Powder Creek.



Notes from the Membership Committee:

Fraternal greetings Nobles and Ladies of Abdallah Shrine!

I wanted to extend my sincerest thanks to all for their participation at Abdallah Shrine this year! Through your participation in stated communications, fundraising efforts, fun unit-sponsored events, and Birthday Friday we have made a significant improvement in our membership numbers. By working together this year, we have added 15 new Nobles to our ranks — and through your continued efforts have given each a place to find their home amongst our units and events.

Abdallah Shrine Temple is a vibrant, and growing, place to experience the fun, fellowship, and Brotherhood of our sacred fraternity. There have been a number of sizable events this year, with significant attendance from those not yet members of our Temple. These have been fantastic events for showing world without just how sincere and authentic our fellowship at Abdallah Shrine Temple is! At the Cajun Party this year, I was lucky to hand out at least 2 sets of petitions — the petition for the Mysteries of Freemasonry, and one for Abdallah. I repeatedly heard from these two prospective petitioners that they were impressed with our fellowship and our events overall. A million thanks to everyone who has worked to make events this year a success!

There is, as yet, a bit of ground to cover before the year's end. This is work I will be doing alongside the other members of the membership committee, and we may be reaching out for assistance from members of various units at Abdallah in reaching Shriners who were part of your unit.

We are hosting the Membership Roundtable this year, at the October Membership Meeting (Wednesday, October 23rd at 7:00 pm). This is a time of accountability for myself, so please come join us with questions, comments, concerns, complaints, or ideas for the future. If you, or your lady, have any of the aforementioned to offer but are concerned about publicly stating them, then please email them to me. I will read them during the roundtable while respecting your privacy and not identifying who sent the suggestion/comment/complaint/etc.

Optimistically, and Fraternaly yours,




New Nobles at Abdallah:

January 2024

Yogendra 'Yogi' Gupta
Daniel Todd

March 2024

Andrew Cox
Brady Marshall
Mark Sager
Calvin Smith
Andrew Vidlar
Austin Webster

April 2024

Joe Enke
Jeff Gumminger
Chase LaPorte
Casey Strong

July 2024

Doug Jessup
Tim Smith

August 2024

David Barger

Kansas Shrine Bowl Makes \$150k Donation!



KANSAS - On behalf of all staff, participants, supporters, ambassadors, sponsors, corporate partners, and nobles across Kansas, the Shrine Bowl of Kansas Inc. Board of Directors is proud to announce a donation of \$150,000

to benefit Shriners Children’s and the many Kansas children whose lives are greatly impacted by the care received at Shriners Children’s. According to Shriners Children’s, more than 320 children from over 125 different cities in Kansas have received care from Shriners Children’s in the last 10 years. The \$150,000 donation, generated by the success of the 2024 Kansas Shrine Bowl presented by Mammoth in Emporia and the inaugural KWCA Kansas Shrine Duals in Wichita, matches the second highest single-year contribution by the organization in its 51-year history. Since 1974, the Shrine Bowl of Kansas Inc. has donated just shy of \$4.0 million to Shriners Children’s.



Thank You Abdallah Nobles, Ladies, & Units for Your Support!

CAMEL HERDERS DEGREE

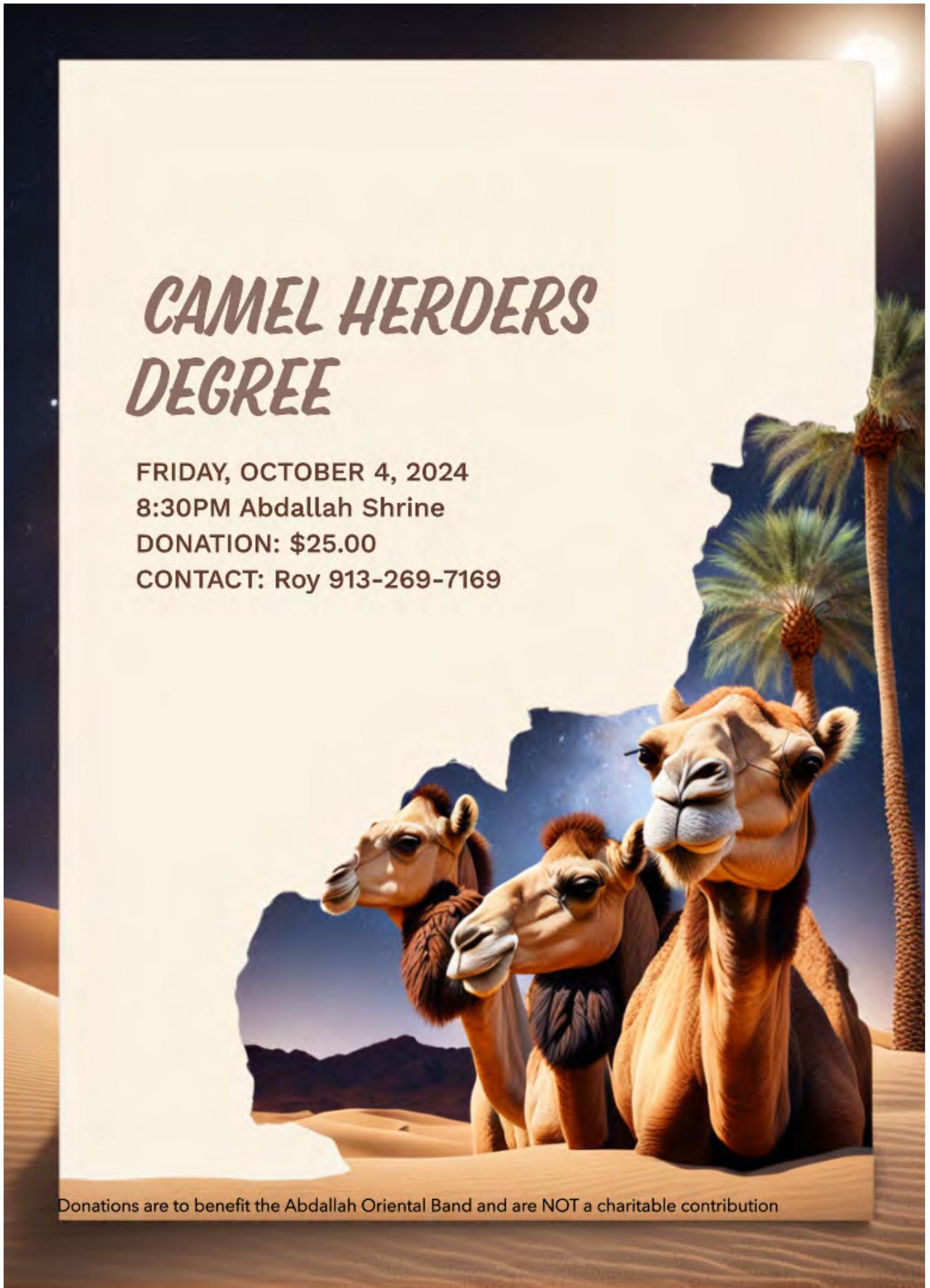
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2024

8:30PM Abdallah Shrine

DONATION: \$25.00

CONTACT: Roy 913-269-7169

Donations are to benefit the Abdallah Oriental Band and are NOT a charitable contribution



Are You A Turtle



Stick Out Your Neck And Have Some Fun

Turtle Degree Given by the **Blue Racers** in
Conjunction with Birthday Friday, October 4th

Both Nobles & Ladies Welcome

\$10 per person - Includes Lifetime
Membership Card & Degree Pin



ABDALLAH SHRINERS
P R E S E N T S

AWARDS

**YEARS OF
SERVICE
SAM SAR
BLUE
BLAZER**

**OCT
5TH**

12:30PM

Class of 2024

Fall
CEREMONIAL



12:30pm Check-in & social
1:00pm 1st section for the new nobles
1:00pm Ladies program (in the Oasis)
2:00pm Hospital experience with Owen
2:30pm Abdallah program
3:00pm Awards and years of service
4:00pm 2024 class pictures
4:30pm Parade in the driveway
5:00pm Dinner on the patio
6:30pm Unit expo
8:00-10:00 pm band starts playing
11:30pm Lock in begins for those staying
9:00am breakfast for over night guest

SPECIAL GUEST

OWEN MAHAN

Shriners Hospital for Children patient

**LIVE MUSIC BY
BLUES BAND
TURKEY
BONE
& FULL
COUNT**

**DINNER
DRINKS
LIVE MUSIC
LADIES PROGRAM**

free event



ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

ladies are encouraged to participation

**BRING YOUR GRIPE OR COMPLIMENT
LETS WORK TOGETHER TO MAKE
ABDALLAH A BETTER PLACE. THERE
IS STRENGTH IN NUMBERS!**



free burgers and dogs grilled to perfection

Wed Oct 23rd

doors open @ 6pm eat @ 7 pm come eat till its gone

Abdallah Oasis

for questions and comments call Jacob (913) 850-1487

or email @ davissonjb@gmail.com



\$15 Adults
\$5 Children under 12



Proceeds benefit the Abdallah Greeter' and are not deductible as a charitable contribution.

**HALLOWEEN COSTUME
PARTY STARTS AT 7PM
STAY AROUND FOR SOME
MUSIC AND FUN
ABDALLAH**

**BY THE
Misfits**

**OCT
26st**

**HOSTS
ABDALLAH
MOTOR
CORP**

*all ghosts and
ghouls
welcome*

**TRUNKER
or
TREAT**

Abdallah Shriner's 5300 Metcalf ave Overland Park, Kansas 66202

trick or treating begins at 5pm trunks closed at 7pm



Abdallah Blue Racers
Present

Saturday
November 9th

Doors Open 5:00pm
Starts Promptly 6:00pm

*Masquerade
Murder Mystery Dinner*

Attend the Billionaires' Club Annual Masquerade Ball and help get this soiree back on track by trading clues with your guests, gathering information, and solving the crime before the masked menace gets away!

Evening wear, ball gowns, Venetian masks, suits, and tuxes are what to wear to this high class night of masks and murder. Get ready for a glamorous evening of mystery, intrigue, and murder at this masquerade ball murder mystery party! It's up to you to determine which partygoer is guilty, bring this crime to justice, and save the party!

*\$35 per person: Purchase from a Blue Racer member or
Venmo @Rebecca-Williams-1128
Or Paypal @potentate2021*

*Ticket includes salad, dinner, dessert & interactive murder
mystery, tea/lemonaide. Cash Bar Available.*

Questions: Call Becky @ 913-575-4992

Abdallah Shrine - 5300 Metcalf Ave. - Overland Park, KS 66202

This event is hosted by the Abdallah Blue Racers. Proceeds are for the benefit of Abdallah Shriners activities. Payments are not deductible as charitable contributions.

ABDALLAH SHRINERS PRESENTS

4TH ANNUAL

**CHILI
COOK OFF**

\$10/PERSON

EAT UNTIL IT'S ALL GONE!

- Enter chili for free
- All you can eat bowl
- Sample cups
- 3 voting tickets
- Free beer & pop

CASH PRIZES | FOOD N DRINK

SATURDAY, NOV. 23RD @ 7-10PM

@OASIS BAR & GRILL, 5300 METCALF AVE, OVERLAND PARK

QUESTIONS CONTACT ABAIAMON@GMAIL.COM

Proceeds are for the benefit of Abdallah Shriners activities - Payments are not deductible as charitable contributions

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Chief Rabban Mike Guilinger and Lady Deb invite you to join them on a 5 night cruise to the Western Caribbean ports of Costa Maya and Cozumel. We'll sail from the Port of Galveston aboard Royal Caribbean's Mariner of the Seas. Before we board the ship, we will take a tour of the Shriners Children's Texas facilities Monday morning.



The 5-night sailing onboard the Royal Caribbean *Mariner of the Seas* departing from Galveston on March 31, 2025.

- The total for 2 in a spacious ocean view balcony cabin is \$1786.98
- The total for an ocean view cabin for 2 is \$1544.98
- The total for a promenade interior view cabin for 2 is \$1138.98.
- The total for an interior cabin for 2 is \$984.98.

The deposit for these would be \$200.00 per cabin.

We have group space held currently for each of these categories. I have this space held until August 25th currently and am happy to secure it for longer if need be. This does not include travel protection, gratuities, shore excursions, pre hotel option or transportation. I can arrange all of that so that you are all together when we have an idea of how many will be joining.

What's not included:

- Round trip flights / Travel to Galveston
- Pre-night hotel
- Hotel to port transportation (will be determined when we see how many will be traveling)
- Beverage packages (Approximately \$38 per person/per day plus 18% gratuity for refreshment package; Alcohol package approximately \$105 per person/per day plus 18% gratuity) Create account and watch for specials
- Gratuities (\$18 per day/per person)
- Specialty Dining
- Travel Protection (This is based on the room category. The price ranges from \$39 pp and up.)
- Shore Excursions

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 GO SEE THE WORLD

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Around the Realm...



Nile Notice

El Ma'at Temple No. 120, Daughters of the Nile kicked off their year in April with Princess Genie Wilcox crowned as Her Majesty the Queen. Her officers are: Jr. Past Queen Virginia Rawlings, Princess Royal Cindy Wise, Princess Tirzah Mary Keffer, Princess Badoura Sheryl Todd, Princess Recorder Grace Sexton, Princess Banker Susan McGinnis PQ, Princess Marshal Margi Underwood PQ, Princess Chaplain Zella Altman, Lady of the Keys Ruby Barclay, Lady of the Gates Jane Withers, Princess Nydia Ronda Theroff, Princess Zulioka Danni Altman-Newell, Princess Zenobia Jill Grundy, Princess Zora Renee Swecker, Princess Zuliema Narena Vest, Attendants Pat White and Aleisha Green and Princess Musician Carolyn Merrick PQ.

At our May session, we welcomed Ann Spiker as a new Princess.

The top three officers represented the Temple at Supreme in Boise, Idaho in June where the following appointments were received: Supreme Good Will Ambassador to the Central Area – Pattie Underwood PQ, Supreme Temple American Flag Escort – Margi Underwood PQ, Supreme Temple Canadian Flag Escort – Beth Brannen PQ, Supreme Temple Brazilian Flag Escort – Terri Thomas PQ, Supreme Temple Bolivian Flag Escort – Carolyn Merrick PQ, Supreme Temple Banner Escort – Judy Kay Short PQ and Supreme Giving Heart Princess Linda McConwell.



In July we held our annual benefit dinner to raise money for the Shriners Children and a bazaar for Temple funds. We appreciate everyone who supported our endeavors.

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Around the Realm...continued

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Supreme Queen Jackie Holloway visited our Temple on Friday, August 9th when we made Jennifer Reed our newest Princess and presented \$600 to benefit the Shriners Children through various funds. Additionally, we were honored to have guests from Pittsburg KS, Colorado Springs CO, Columbus OH, Yakima WA and Oakland CA and to be joined at the celebratory banquet by Illustrious Sir Ronnie White and his lady Princess Barbie White to hear Shrine-child Dylan Keffer speak. The month ended on a sad note as Sharon Steele PQ lost her husband Larry whom we had spent so many afternoons with at Lunch Bunch through the years.

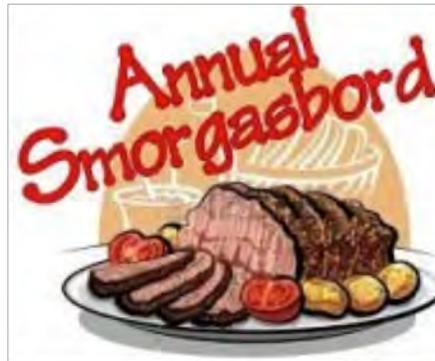
Each month Lunch Bunch is held at an area restaurant for members and guests on the third Tuesday at 11:15am with Princess Zella Altman making the arrangements. On Tuesday, October 15 from 10am-8pm EVERYONE is invited to participate in our fundraiser at Jason's Deli, 9617 W 87th Street, Overland Park KS 66212. Just mention that you are there for "Daughters of the Nile" and we will receive 25% of all tickets so noted. This will coincide with our October Lunch Bunch, so if you want to dine WITH us, show up at 11:15. Can't make it at that time? Stop by in the afternoon or evening and we can still get credit. Thanks, in advance, for your support!

Membership is open to women of good character eighteen years of age or older and related by birth or marriage to a Shriner, Master Mason, or Daughter of the Nile, or is a Majority Member in Good Standing of a Masonic-related organization for girls; or who was a patient, with or without Shrine or Masonic relationship, at a Shriners Hospital for Children®. For more information, contact a member of the Temple



PHOTOS taken by Pattie Underwood PQ – (left to right – top 3 photos) Her Majesty the Queen Genie Wilcox being crowned / new member Princess Ann Spiker with Queen Genie / Supreme Queen Jackie with new member Princess Jennifer Reed and Queen Genie (bottom photo) El Ma'at Temple No. 120 with Supreme Queen Jackie Holloway.

Around the Realm...continued



Lenexa Masonic Lodge #135 58TH Annual Smorgasbord and 150 year re-dedication.

**Beef, Pork, Turkey, Cheesy Corn, scalloped Potatoes, Baked
Beans, Drinks and Desserts.**

Saturday, October 19th, 2024

Smorgasbord: 11:00AM to 2:00PM

Re-dedication ceremony 2:30PM to 3:30PM

(Cake and ice cream served) – No Charge

13417 W. 94th Street (94th & Pflumm) Lenexa, Kansas 66215



Tickets available from Lenexa Lodge

Members and at the door.

Cash, Check or Credit Cards accepted.

Adults \$12.00

Children (3-10) \$6.00

Around the Realm...continued

DESIGNER BINGO PURSE

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2024
DOORS OPEN AT 2 PM
BINGO AT 3PM**

\$30
Early Bird
Register by 5pm on
Oct 2nd to be
entered to win the
Early Bird Purse!

\$35
**AT THE
DOOR**

Proceeds
to benefit the
Arab Shrine Ladies'
Special Project
Fund

**REGISTER AND PAY ONLINE
@ ARABSHRINERS.ORG**

Bar will
be open
Bring your
own Snacks

Arab Shrine Center
1305 S Kansas Ave, Topeka, KS

Iola Masonic Lodge Annual CAR SHOW

**SATURDAY
OCTOBER 19, 2024**

**\$20 Entry Fee Door Prizes
Trophies Awarded
Gift bags for first 100 entries**

1942 PACKARD
One-Twenty Convertible Coupe
1920s

TRAVEL THRU TIME

FARM CITY days
www.farmcitydays.com
IOLA, KS

PROFESSIONAL
EST. 1955

ARARAT JAMBALAYA PARTY

NOVEMBER 16, 2024 4 PM - 7 PM

ARARAT SHRINE TEMPLE
499 S 7 HWY BLUE SPRINGS, MO 64015
THIS EVENT WILL SUPPORT OUR NEW BUILDING FUND

\$10
50/50 RAFFLE

DESSERT AUCTION CASH BAR

THE PROCEEDS OF THIS EVENT BENEFIT ARARAT SHRINERS.
DONATIONS AND/OR PURCHASES ARE NOT TAX DEDUCTABLE



**Shriners Children's
RACING**

ShrinersRacing.com



Shriners International

>>> October Upcoming Events at Abdallah Shrine

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	1	2	3	4 Birthday Friday!	5 Abdallah Fall Ceremonial
6	7 BINGO: Provost & LOH	8 Stated Meeting	9 Coffee Club	10	11	12 Spaghetti Dinner
13	14 BINGO: Blue Racers <i>Columbus Day</i>	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 BINGO: Tin Lizzies	22	23 Coffee Club Membership Meeting	24	25	26 Trunk or Treat & Halloween Party
27	28 BINGO: 500's	29	30	31 <i>Halloween</i>	1	2

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>>> November Upcoming Events at Abdallah Shrine

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	31	1 Birthday Friday!	2 Potes Roast + Steak Dinner
3	4 BINGO: Misfits	5	6	7 Divan - BoD	8	9
10	11 BINGO: Greeters <i>Veterans Day</i>	12 Stated Communication	13 Coffee Club	14	15	16
17	18 BINGO: Clowns/Jokers - Red Zone	19	20	21	22	23 Chili Cookoff
24	25 BINGO: TASS	26	27 Coffee Club Membership	28 <i>Thanksgiving Day</i> Office Closed	29 Office Closed	30

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>>> December		Upcoming Events at Abdallah Shrine				
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 BINGO: Escorts	3	4	5 Divan - Bod	6 Birthday Friday!	7
8	9 BINGO: Oriental Band	10 Stated Communication + Elections	11 Coffee Club	12	13	14
15	16 BINGO: Antique Cars	17	18	19	20	21
22	23 BINGO: Provost + LoH	24	25 Christmas	26	27	28
29	30 BINGO: Blue Racers	31	1	2	3	4

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ATTENTION ALL UNITS & CLUBS

The 2025 Calendar is filling up fast and we're getting requests for outside rentals. If you have activities planned for next year and have not turned in your paperwork for approval and established a contract, you could lose your date. This applies primarily to the Main Hall, Oasis & Patio, and does not effect your normally scheduled meeting dates & rooms, but may effect weekend activities and fundraisers. Building rental of the Main Hall, Oasis & Patio is another source of income to help offset our raising costs of operation.

ALL Playground Submissions

As we look to move forward with the necessary changes to the Playground newspaper which will allow us to get back to a printed and mailed publication, please make note of the following changes:

All articles must be received via email at abdallahplayground30@gmail.com.

Articles should be submitted as a Word document or text with-in the email. NO hand written scans or other file formats are permitted including pdf files. Word or text documents my NOT contain any graphics. If you have information that you want published and it contains graphics, submit it as a jpg or png file format. We will NOT spend the time to recreate your submission if not provided in the proper format as describe above.

As the Playground Publication is managed and published outside of the Abdallah office buy several different volunteers, please do **NOT** contact the Abdallah Office with any questions or issues. They can not help you! All questions and information should be directed to the abdallahplayground30@gmail.com or with an Abdallah Divan member. There are several individual volunteers who are assisting in this program and they all are available through the email .

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

