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## CSSA 2023

**August 31st - September 2nd**



*Registration forms and more details available on pages 21 through 26*

*Check out the info on FaceBook*



[FaceBook.com/CSSA2023](https://www.facebook.com/CSSA2023)

# MEMBERSHIP

<b>January 1, 2023</b>	<b>590</b>
Creations	3
Affiliations	0
Restorations	3
Associations	2
Deceased	(17)
Demitted	(2)
Suspended	(3)
Withdrawn	0
Associate Dropped	(0)
Expulsions	0
<b>July 31, 2023</b>	<b>576</b>
Regular members	555
Associate members	21

## In memory:



### Raymond Foster

*Was 98 years young and became a Shriner in June 1947  
76 years a member*

# BINGO Schedule - 2023

- August**
- 7 TASS
  - 14 Escorts
  - 21 Oriental Band
  - 28 Antique Cars

- September**
- 4 NO Bingo
  - 11 Blue Racers
  - 18 Tin Lizzies
  - 25 500s

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!

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### SHRINE OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday  
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Closed Saturday & Sunday



## Meeting Dinner 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM

**Chicken fried steak, 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!



## ABDALLAH SHRINERS STATED MEETING



**ABDALLAH AUDITORIUM**  
**5300 Metcalf, Overland Park, KS 66202**  
**Tuesday, August 8, 2023**  
**7:30 PM**

**Greg Sippel**  
Illustrious Potentate

**Herb Merrick P.P.**  
Recorder





**Reach Out...  
Phone, Write, Visit! Say...**

**Happy  
Birthday Noble!**

From the Illustrious Potentate, Divan and  
Members of Abdallah Shriners



**August 1st**

David M Kovac

**August 2nd**

Charles E Bowers

Henry P Crow Jr

Joseph C Collins

Jim M Dehoff

Mark W Cunningham

**August 3rd**

Charles H Neeland III

**August 5th**

Donald L Porter

Robert S Hansen

Joseph C Pisciotta

Andrew P Cassity

**August 6th**

Danny D Walenta

**August 7th**

Robert P Schloesser PhD

**August 8th**

Richard A McGinnis

Garry A Dial P.P.

Richard A Rasperger

**August 9th**

Medford L Wilson P.P.

William W Eddings

**August 10th**

Roger B Miller

**August 11th**

Joseph R Wilson

Walter M Johnston

Anthony Brogna

Eric W Foster

**August 13th**

Nabeel Jamil

**August 14th**

Arthur C Miller

Mitchell E Carter

**August 17th**

Ronald E Joles

**August 18th**

Gary W Ragar

William J Burman III

**August 19th**

Pat E Gibson

James A Howd Jr

**August 20th**

Sam J Walters

Paul E Leffert

Kirby E Watson

**August 21st**

Bruce K Graham

**August 23rd**

Jerry Z Willburn

Norman R Scott

Bruce D Mayfield

**August 24th**

David L Harrington

**August 25th**

Harold W Nossaman

Willis J Pape

**August 26th**

Bennie L Smith II, P.P.

Kirk A Weaver

**August 27th**

Donald K Church

David L Prawl

**August 28th**

George W Luther

Cecil E Mashburn

**August 29th**

Richard A Yunghans

Charles H Johnston

Walter T Hutsell

Dennis R Hancock

**August 30th**

David M Baggett

**August 31st**

Gary G Sauer

Daniel G Hamilton

Ruben R Ramirez



*Wishing YOU*  
**the BEST**  
**birthday ever!**

## ***The POTENTATE'S MESSAGE***

Greetings from the Potentate,

I would like to thank everyone that supported our Rodeo and Demolition Derby this year. Our new venue in Gardner, Kansas seems to be a huge success. We all owe our Chief Rabban, Ronnie White, and Lady Barbie a large debt of gratitude for making this location change as well as the time commitment and hard work in putting on this years Rodeo and Demolition Derby. The Rodeo Committee is also to be commended and recognized for their efforts as they too are a big part of this success. Lastly, but not the least, all the Nobles, Ladies and volunteers that helped with preparation, setup, concessions and tear-down. It was a success due to a your group efforts and kind weather.

I would also like to recognize this years Rodeo Queen, Kacey Stottlemire. We could not have a better Rodeo representative than Kacey. She is personable, pleasant and out-going. Kacey continues to promote Shriner's activities and we are blessed to have her as part of our 2023 team. I also recognize Kacey's parents as they have supported Kacey in this journey. Thank you from Abdallah Shriners and Shriners around the world.

We also had a Golf Event this summer (June 26) that raised \$28,000 for Shriner's Children – St.Louis. Thanks to the the golf committee for putting on this event. Notables that should be recognized are Ill. Sir Kevin Larson and lady Carolyn, Noble Mike Guilinger and lady Deb, Ill Sir Jeff Johnson & lady Gloria, Noble Tony Pagel, Ken Holiday and Lady Marcella for their leadership in making this, our 6<sup>th</sup> Golf event, the most successful. Not to be forgotten, are the volunteers and especially the generous sponsors and contributors. Abdallah Shrine and Shriner's Children – St. Louis thanks you.

In July, your Divan attended Imperial Session in Charlotte, NC. We elected a new Imperial Potentate, Ed Stolz, from El Zaribah Shrine in Phoenix, AZ. We voted upon and accomplished the pending Imperial business that needed to be addressed. One of these items was an increase in the Shriner's International Annual Per Capita fees on Nobles by \$20. We have forewarned the Nobility over the past few years this was eventually going to happen and this proposal passed this year. Beginning in January dues from Shriner's International per capita will be \$50 instead of \$30 going forward. Expenses for Shriners International were causing unsustainable losses with the current dues structure. SI spent \$2.5M from their trust funds in 2022 to pay current expenses. Nobles can still avoid this dues increase by purchasing lifetime per capita memberships before mid December. Nobles are encouraged to do this.

Imperial Session was not without some excitement. Some protesters were briefly present from PETA (People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals). Shriners were calm and with some assistance from the Imperial Marshals Aides in assisting a few individuals from the room. I too love animals, I would never consider mistreating an animal. But that is not what this demonstration is about. In my opinion, Shriners Rodeos and Circus events go out of the way to not harm livestock or exhibit animals.

First responders and military service men and women work day and night for the right of freedom to protest, but in the right setting. Inside the Imperial Session hall is not the right setting.

Kansas Shrine Bowl activities occurred July 13-15 in Hays, KS, proceeds going to Shriner's Children. Thanks to the Shrine Bowl directors for their leadership and guidance in making Kansas Shrine Bowl successful. This year's Shrine bowl inducted the 1988 Heisman Trophy winner, Barry Sanders, into the Kansas Shrine Bowl Hall of Fame. Barry played his high school football at Wichita North HS and was a member of the 1986 Kansas Shrine bowl team. For the second year in a row, it was a great football game. However, the West won 21-20 on a missed 2-point conversion in the last seconds of the game by the East team.

Not only will this Shrine Bowl be a financial success with proceeds going to Shriner's Children, but the positive impact Masons and Shriners had on players, cheer squads and the all Masonic band is undeniable. Impacts will be seen in coming years from these young men and women, building character and good citizens in the future. From my perspective, the players, cheer and band members found new friends and teammates while also learning the "why" of the Shiner's philanthropy.

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This month's theme is "Dog Days". We have completed one half of 2023 and during these dog days of Summer we look back to prior months accomplishments and forward to what is still to come.

By the time you read this, we'll have already had Pizza, Pitchers & Puzzles party. What a fun time, Thank you Barbie White. This brings Nobles and Ladies together just to have fun and celebrate good times with friends.

Here is some of the next fun events you won't want to miss:

- Gardner Parade – Aug 5
- Clowns Hawaiian Luau – Aug 5
- Escorts Golf Tournament – Aug 26
- CSSA Competitions – Omaha Aug 31 – Sep 3
- Tin Lizzie Shrimp Dinner - Sep 16
- Greeter's Italian Fiesta - Sep 23
- Cajun Party – Sep 30
- Ceremonial – Oct 7
- Tin Lizzie Fish Fry – Oct 14
- Blue Racers Murder Mystery – Oct 21
- Trunk or Treat – Oct 22

Shiners provide hope to our patients whether all their ills are resolved or not. Shriners provide patients a bright future and the ability to live full, successful and prosperous lives.

Thank you Nobles and Ladies for making our events fun, friendly & entertaining. Your efforts are not unnoticed. You are an example and inspiration to the young lives whether they are HS football stars, cheer squads, members of a band or a Shiner's patient. Keep up the good work.

May there be Peace in Our Time.

III. Sir Greg Sippel & Lady MaryEllen



## ***The Recorder's Ramblings***

By Herb Merrick

Shrine Bowl is in the books for 2023; hope you had a great time in Hays. This was a special year. Next up is CSSA in Omaha. You can get registration and the information for the hotel from the weekly update or PLAYGROUND online and it is also available at the window. Please remember to complete the registration; it is the only way you are covered by our insurance. The folks at Tangiers have worked hard at setting up a great weekend so come up. There will be lots of competitions and other things to do.

July also saw the 2023 Imperial Session in Charlotte, North Carolina. Abdallah was represented by four members of the elected Divan and several other members attending, including Noble Clayton Robertson attending the International Clowns meeting, and Illustrious Sir Mike Tavares who was an Imperial Marshall's Aid and a voting Colorado Corporations (the hospital) member. I attended the Shrine Recorders annual meeting and banquet as well as the regular sessions. The recorders meeting provided some important information that will impact us in the coming year. First was that almost all correspondence with Imperial will be electronic. One of the major savings that Tampa has is using email to get the word out. When a formal notice is required from Imperial to us or from Abdallah to its Nobility the key is the date sent not the date received. We are always going to try to make sure that you receive notice at least 30 days out but that is often in the hands of the post office. There was a lengthy discussion about membership cards.

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Imperial is moving toward electronic cards, currently both the My Fez Card Viewer is the standard as it shows not only is the holder a member, but also if they are current with their dues. They will be providing very few stickers for cards and may soon stop that entirely. Imperial will not be doing a total life membership card or program. That will remain at the temple level. The issue is that it has proven difficult because of all the different rules used by temples to grant "temple life" membership. I think it might be helpful to describe the different memberships a member may hold. Annual dues consist of three completely separate memberships, all of which must be accounted for in order for a member to be current. First, you must be an Imperial per capita member: this is the money that goes to imperial (it increased this year). Then you must pay the hospital assessment which is \$5 a year and goes to the Colorado Corporation and it supports the hospitals. Finally, you have temple dues which is what goes to the local shrine to support its operations. Since they are separate you can purchase or have funded a life membership in each one of these categories. What happens is that a member will purchase or be granted life membership in one of these and believes it covers them all. It does not, purchasing or being granted a temple life membership means that a member no longer needs to pay dues, but they still have per capita to Imperial and the hospital assessment to pay. The same holds true for the other categories. To make things a bit more complex is that when purchasing a life membership, it is computed differently at the temple than by Imperial or the hospital. If you want to purchase one of these, come by the office and we will help you get what you want.

There was also a lot of discussion about the legislation that was being held at the Imperial session. I will cover some of the important information from that four-day meeting. There were 36 pieces of legislation to be covered and they did a good job of moving right through the process. There were also great presentations on the changes in the hospital models and fund-raising programs and issues. The vision for the future with the hospital is call 2035, the year the joint boards hope to have it completed. It envisions a maximum of four centers of excellence, four traditional hospitals and 200 points of contact locations which include clinics, surgery centers and points of presents. Eight of our hospitals are in transition currently. We are seeing more patients every year, but 90% of the visits are outpatient and the inpatient visits are shorter than ever. We have patients from 170 countries. There are 140 locations in the US and 30 more internationally. There were two new Shrines chartered, one in Lebanon (first in the middle east and another in Brazil). There was a lot of discussion on using the Membership Development System, the current rate of bringing in members through this is 40% of those who apply actually complete the process. After membership came a discussion on budget. This year they drew 25% of the budget from investments held by Shriners International. There was legislation to increase per capita from \$30 to \$60 a year. After much discussion and amendments plus two votes, it was approved to increase per capita by \$20 in 2024. Other approved legislation was the relocation of a number of temples as they sold their current building and moved to new locations, the approval of a number of Shrines changing association membership, the approval for shrines to establish building 501 c3 corporations if they meet the IRS requirements (normally historic buildings), and the ability for headquarters to furnish member list to Shrine Associations. Things that did not pass were changes in membership requirements, the ability to attend Imperial Session via Zoom, and the change of the number of voting representatives each Shrine has in the Iowa corporation; Illustrious Sir David Hamm to Imperial Outer Guard. The installation was interesting in that we had a demonstration interrupted by PETA against circuses and rodeos. During the donation presentation Abdallah presented our SHC Golf Event check and had representation at the KMF presentation and the Shrine Bowl presentation. The Shrine Bowl was the 4<sup>th</sup> largest check present for temple sponsored events. At lot more happened ,so ask one of your representatives for details.

Finally, I want to thank all of those who have volunteered to support our activities over the last month or so. We had lots of folks at the Rodeo and Derby, the grass was cut, the Provost and Building Managers were here for several events. There were a couple of folks who helped around the building and in the office, not to mention the support of Bingo and golf events. If you get a chance, say thanks to those who help everything be better. We need some help in areas like building maintenance and the grounds need weeding and trimming. Thank you for all you do to make this a great place to be.



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# Chaplain



By Jerry Ogden

Do you know what the seven words of a dying Fraternity are? How about,  
**“We’ve never done it that way before.”**

When we do not make the Fraternity attractive to good young men with relevant and modern offerings; when we insist that the only way to be a Shrine Mason is to first experience the various ‘memory’ phases of becoming a Master Mason; when we believe that somehow, our current Temple dues are sufficient to keep the Fraternity sound; when we insist that we must meet in a building that is very costly to maintain; when the building is not generating the kind of revenue that is appropriate and doable; when we blame the past several generations of being ‘non-joiners’; we will then be a Fraternity that becomes a part of history.

We need to pray that our great Abdallah Shriners, founded and chartered in 1887, does not become a part of tomorrow’s conversations of ‘remember when’. After that, we need to take a very hard look at ourselves and the realities of what we were, what we are now and where we are headed tomorrow. Great organizations simply are so rare to find and very difficult to establish. Truthfully, Shriners everywhere are, in fact, some of the very best men in the world. They also mean the world to so many.

Amen

The Abdallah Shriners can use your help. We need a volunteer (s) who are willing to help put together and publish the Monthly Playground Magazine and the Weekly Update Email. The person who has been doing this for the last 3 years is retiring from this position at the end of the year and unless someone (s) steps up to help, they will cease to exist. If you are willing to step up, please contact one of the Elected Divan.



By Mystery Writer

A fun time was had at the July b-day Friday. Good to see Joe and Carolyn brown. All his family was there to celebrate his and Carolyn birthdays. Very lovely family thanks for coming.



Our dinner on the 12<sup>th</sup> turn out with 18 people. Great food and it was so good to see all the people. We are planning another dinner Aug. 9. There will be a meeting August 16, hope to see that many at the Aug. meeting.

Don't forget Ronnie Trip presentation August 29, sound like a fun time and something we can afford to do.

*Happy Birthday to the following for the Month of August:*

- Gary Dial                    8-8
- Eric Foster                   8-11
- Gloria Johnson            8-12

*Happy Anniversary to the following for the Month of August:*

- Jeff and Gloria Johnson    8-4
- Russell and Cindy Reese   8-17

*Families are like fudge....mostly sweet, with a few nuts.*



**Antique and Classic Cars**

The Antique and Classic Cars Unit was dark in July. Our Unit participated at the Abdallah Rodeo and Demo Derby this year held in Gardner, KS. This was an exceptionally well planned and executed event for our Shrine. The location was excellent and the weather cooperated.

Our Unit helped out with BINGO the end of June. During July we participated with several cars in the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade in Lenexa. This is a fun parade and the bystanders were enjoyable this year. They were happy and many of them wished us a happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Later in the month, some of our Unit members attended the Shrine Bowl and Shrine Bowl parade at Ft. Hays, KS. The football players and patients from the hospital always make the Shrine bowl a rewarding experience.

August meeting was held at the home of Lynn and Sue Anderson in Olathe. We met at Austin's Bar and Grill for a fun gathering of food before enjoying dessert at the Anderson's home. Thanks Lynn and Sue. Members of our Unit continue to attend a variety of car shows and car related events. Right now, we're considering a meeting at the Gateway Classic Cars for a tour of the car candy there. They close at 5:00 PM so this would be a gathering for lunch and visit during regular hours. We'll discuss it at our August meeting.

As always, we are a group of men who enjoy anything automotive who also happen to be Shriners. We are a fraternity, dedicated to the mission of Shriner's International to support our hospitals and patients. If you have that fun car in your garage and want to join us at a parade, we welcome you and invite you to bring your lady to one of our Unit dining out events. We sponsor the annual Halloween Trunk or Treat. This is a community out-reach event. Car owners do not have to be Shriners and it is a good way for Shriners to meet people who are not in the Shrine. If you wish to attend one of our functions, please contact Patrick W. Emmett – 913-744-6347 and he will invited you to our next function.

Patrick W. Emmett, 913-744-6347  
 pemmett99@sbcglobal.net

**ATTENTION ALL UNITS & CLUBS**

The 2024 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.

The Sunflower Fund was created as a means to assist nobles in times when they are unable to pay their current years dues. Donations are also welcomed to help replenish this fund. Any donations over \$25 will earn you one of our sunflower pins. You can wear the pin proudly to show your support of helping your brothers. Please contact the our Chaplain or the shrine office for details.

**Sunflower Fund**





**Abdallah  
Golfing  
Nomads**



So far been great weather. Cool enough in mornings with a little breeze. Come out and join us at Sunflower Hills at 7:43.

**June 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Closest to Pin #4 and #13, Roger Miller  
Closest to pin in 2 on #16 – Pat Emmett  
Long Drive #3, under 80 -Bob Hansen;  
over 80 – Dick Strong  
Long Putt #9 -Dick Strong;  
#18 – Pat Emmett – a 50' one. WOW!  
Birdies: Greg White – 3, Pat Emmett – 2, Roger Miller and Tim Williams – 1

**June 27<sup>th</sup>**

Closest to pin #4 – Tim Williams, #13 – Dick Strong  
Closest to pin in 2 - #16 – Dick Strong  
Longest Drive # 10 – Under 80 -Bob Hansen;  
over 80 – Dick Strong  
Long Putt #9 – Tim Williams  
Birdies; Pat Emmett – 2, Tim Williams – 1

**July 6<sup>th</sup>**

Closest to pin #4 – Bob Hansen, #13 – Roger Miller  
Closest to pin in 2 - #16 – Tim Williams  
Long Drive #3 – under 80 – Alan Baiamonte,  
over 80 – Dick Strong  
Long Putt - #18 – Tim Williams  
Birdies: Greg White and Tim Williams – 2;  
Roger Miller and Dick Strong – 1

**July 13<sup>th</sup>** – (small field as several off to the East-West Shrine Game

Closest to Pin #4 and Closest to pin in 2- #16 – Dick Strong  
Long drive #3 – under 80 – Bob Hansen  
Long Putt #9 – and #18 – Bob Hansen  
Birdies: Bob Hansen - 4, Dick Strong-1

**July 20<sup>th</sup>**

Closest to Pin #4 – Greg White, #13 – Dick Strong  
Closest to pin in 2-#16 – Dick Strong  
Long Drive #3 – under 80 – Pat Emmett;  
over 80 – Roger Miller  
Long Putt #9 – Pat Emmett, #18 – Bob Hansen  
Birdies: Roger Miller, Bob Hansen, and Pat Emmett - 2

Abdallah Escorts  
By Ken Holliday

The July 4<sup>th</sup> Lenexa parade was somewhat of a success. My ballpark estimate is about twenty Shriners showed up. That is better than many of our recent parades but a weak shadow of the past. Most but not all also enjoyed breakfast at the Lenexa lodge although their patronage has slipped quite a bit. There were always empty chairs while I was there. In years gone by they would be continually serving for up to three hours but not this year.

Everyone is excited for our golf tournament on August 26<sup>th</sup>. This year we have a food truck that specializes in Tenderloins. You don't want to miss this. As always this is a fund raiser, and we appreciate all that would be hole sponsors or players. See any Escort for the details. Whether you are a sponsor or not, we want you to play with us. So go hit a bucket of balls and plan to be there.

The Escorts fed the Shrine Bowl East players on July 10. I am not sure how many years we have done this but as far back as my memory goes. It always fun to see these young people.

On July 22<sup>nd</sup> the Escorts and Tin Lizzies met at the Anderton's house for a meal and fellowship. A great time was had by all. Thank you, Andertons.

If you ride on two or three wheels and are looking for a great group that has fun and is a leader in supporting Abdallah and our children's hospital, please come to a meeting at the Shrine center on the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. We would love to have you. This unit has fun and lots of things to do.



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**“THE LAUGH”**

By Mickey Mikulan

**The JOKER’S UNIT WILL BE ON HIATUS UNTIL SEPTEMBER unless TEMPLE/UNIT business requires attention.**

**MEETINGS are on the FOURTH TUESDAY of ODD MONTHS, (Presently next scheduled meetings will be in September and November) Social Hour starts at 6:00 PM, snack and business meeting starts at 6:30 PM. Come for a visit.**

**Ladies, the JOKER’S have a Ladies Unit, “The Wild Cards.” Come join our Ladies for discussions on how to solve the problems of the world.**

**TAKE ADVANTAGE of THE MANY ACTIVITIES YOUR TEMPLE OFFERS, BRING a FRIEND!**

IF YOU ARE ASKING ME  
FOR ADVICE

I AM GOING TO ASSUME YOU ARE  
OUT OF OTHER RATIONAL OPTIONS  
UNKNOWN



Abdallah Provost  
By Rob Swecker

Provost Sponsorship Sign at Station #3, Powder Creek Shooting Range. Dedicated July 19, 2023. Marshall-Larry Riggs , Secretary-Rob Swecker, Sergeant-at-Arms Mike Matteson, President-Don Matteson, Mickey Mikulan, Bruce Fishbach, Chaplain-Jerry Ogden.



This summer has been busy for the provost. We have participated in the Shawnee Days Parade and Lenexa Parade.

We have worked bingo and provided security for two birthday parties (rentals at Abdallah). We had a great turnout at the Rodeo and Demo Derby. Job well done by the Rodeo/Derby committee. The provost will head to Central States Shriners Association (CSSA) in August to compete in the annual shooting event, consisting of three pistol and two shotgun events. Come on out to CSSA and show support. There are many other events and competitions to view during CSSA.

If you are interested in shooting a pistol or shotgun, contact a member of the provost. There are ways we can get you started.

Another recent event for the provost, on July 19, is the sponsorship of Sport Clay station #3 at Powder Creek Shooting Park. It is a sign that reads "Abdallah Shriners, Provost- To Protect and Serve," with a provost badge. The intention of the sponsorship is to get the Abdallah Shriner's name out into the community. Many people will see this sign as there are a large number of events that take place at Powder Creek. Attached is a picture of the event with members present.

Enjoy your summer, and be safe.

# Annual Shrimp Dinner



**Pop, Beer, Corn, Potatoes & Bread Furnished**

**Saturday, September 16, 2023**

**5:00 PM to 7:00 PM**

**\$20 per person**

**Advance Ticket Sales Only - NOT Sold at the door**

**Abdallah Shriners  
5300 Metcalf Ave.  
Overland Park, KS 66202**

Proceeds benefit the Tin Lizzie Unit and are not deductible as a charitable contribution.

# Parades

**Aug 5th**

**Johnson County Fair - Gardner**

Staging 9am - Parade 10am  
G-E High School



**Aug 26th**

**Tiblow Days - Bonner Springs**

Staging 8:30am - Parade 9:30am  
At Lion's Park



# Luau - 2023

Saturday August 5th

Doors open

at

6:00 pm

Dinner

at

7:00 pm

*With Special Guests*  
**School of Rock**



**\$20 ONLY**

Per Person

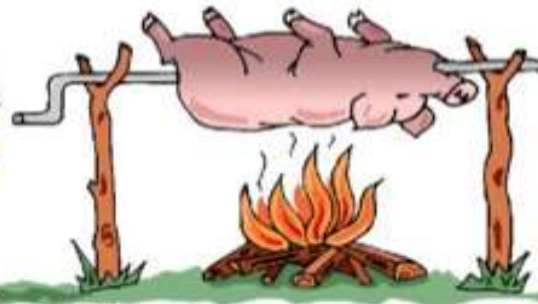
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Free with Adult  
Purchase

Tickets Available  
from the  
Clowns, Blue  
Racers and at  
the office.

Cheesy Corn  
Cole Slaw - Potato  
Salad

**Cash Bar**

Abdallah Shrine  
Main Hall  
5300 Metcalf Ave  
Overland Park, KS



Proceeds are for the benefit of Abdallah Shriners Activities.  
Payments are not deductible as charitable contributions.



**NO COST  
EVENT**

# ABDALLAH WEEKENDERS CAMPING

## Social

COME FOR THE WEEKEND OR JUST THE DAY

this is a membership  
event so bring  
your friends



Aug 10th -13th  
Pomona Lake  
Private site

ONLY 20 SPOTS  
RSVP: ERIC FOSTER  
ew00166030@gmail.com  
(816) 918-9626

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group meals (potluck style) games, fishing, singing and maybe some yarn spinning by the fire!  
RV site have 20/30/50 amp and water hook ups. along with plenty of shade

# 2024 Trip Meeting



join Chief Rabban Ronnie  
and Lady Barbie in a evening  
of information about an up  
coming trip to the beach in  
2024



**cash bar with light hors d'oeuvre**  
**Aug 29th 7pm**  
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## El Maat Temple No. 120 Daughters of the Nile



Invites you to our annual relief dinner & bazaar  
to support the Shiners Hospital

When: August 12, 2023

Where: Old Mission Masonic Lodge –

5201 W 75<sup>th</sup> St, Prairie Village, KS 66208

Time: 2pm – 4pm

Cost: \$15.00 Adults, Children under 10 \$7.50

Tickets to be picked up at the door

*(Donations also welcomed)*

Cindy Wise – Princess Tirzah – [cindylwise@yahoo.com](mailto:cindylwise@yahoo.com)

609 E Layton Dr, Olathe, KS 66061





# 13th Annual Golf Tournament

Four Man Scramble

Saturday, August 26th, 2023

6am Registration • 7:30 am Shotgun

Painted Hills Golf Course, 7101 Parallel Parkway, Kansas City, KS 66112

Registration deadline August 12th, 2023

*Tournament is open to anyone*

**Player Information**       Individual \$80     4 Player Team \$300

*Includes green fees, cart, lunch, goody bag with 4 beer tickets, soda and water*

Team Captain \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Player 2 \_\_\_\_\_

Player 3 \_\_\_\_\_

Player 4 \_\_\_\_\_

### Please Send "Cash or Check" Only To:

Scott Steel, 7740 Long Street, Lenexa, KS 66216 913-515-4996

Cash awarded for top team in A and B flights, and prize for longest drive, longest putt and closest to the pin. Mulligans available for purchase prior to tee off.

## Sponsorships

**We have several opportunities available. If interested, please check type of sponsorship desired. Please include artwork and payment with registration.**

- \$500 - Corporate Sponsor With 4-Player Team • Includes Two Hole Sponsorships
- \$300 - Corporate Sponsor Without Players • Includes Two Hole Sponsorships
- \$150 - Hole Sponsorship • Hole Sign With Sponsor Logo

Please print company name as you would like it to appear on Hole Sign and attach logo

Company Name \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

## Donations Accepted

**To save your spot now, please text or call  
Scott Steel at 913-515-4996**

**Thank You for Your Support**

*Proceeds are for the benefit of the Abdallah Escorts activities.  
Payments are not deductible as charitable contributions.*



# ABDALLAH CAJUN PARTY



ITS THAT TIME AGAIN

**Saturday**  
**September 30<sup>th</sup>**  
5pm - 10pm

**\$30**

dinner served at 5:30

**\* tickets must be purchased in advance \***

LIVE MUSIC!

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Tony Pagel (913) 927-9129 **FOR TICKETS CONTACT** Ronnie White (913) 314-1568

Chris Robertson (913) 940-8666

Jamie Thornton (913) 299-7469

tickets can be purchased at Abdallah office 5300 mectcalf ave. Overland park KS

Proceeds benefit the Abdallah Shriners Patio Fund  
Payments are not deductible as charitable contributions



El Ma'at Temple No. 120, Daughters of the Nile has been busy with the new term -- having initiated three new members, received a transfer and reinstated another, traveled far and wide to represent the Temple and worked with other affiliated organizations.

April 5<sup>th</sup> found members serving dinner at the Northeast Kansas Scottish Rite. On the 16<sup>th</sup>, Past Queens Pattie and Margi Underwood, Princess Royal Genie Wilcox and husband Noble David journeyed to Lincoln, Nebraska, to witness the Installation of Officers of Naphis Temple No. 66. The 27<sup>th</sup> we initiated Pat Schroder as a new Princess.

At our May session Princess Aleisha Green signed our Membership Book as she transferred in from Hatasu Temple No. 1 in Seattle, Washington and Naomi Goodnight was reinstated. Junior Past Queen Pattie A. Underwood was privileged to sing at the Abdallah Shrine Legion of Honor Memorial Day celebration at the Wyandotte County Lake Park with nearly a dozen Nile members present.

June found four line officers (Queen Virginia Rawlings, Princess Royal Genie Wilcox, Princess Tirzah Cindy Wise and Princess Badoura Mary Keffer) traveling to Mashantucket, Connecticut, to represent our Temple at Supreme Session where new Supreme appointments were revealed. Congratulations to Carolyn Merrick PQ - Supreme Goodwill Ambassador Central South Area; Donna Harvel PQ - Supreme Temple American Flag Escort; Elizabeth "Beth" Brannan PQ & Martha Conley PQ - Supreme Temple Banner Escorts; with a Special Recognition Supreme Red Rose to Princess Patricia White and Membership recognition for the 2022-23 term. Additionally, two new members were added to the fold with the daughter and daughter-in-law of Sue Ayers-May being initiated on June 22. Welcome to Legacy Princesses Sheryl Todd and Teresa Young.

Each month includes Lunch Bunch for members and guests at assorted restaurants about town on the third Tuesday at 11am with PQ Sharon Steele making the arrangements.

Everyone is invited to the Picnic Dinner Benefit for the Children featuring ham and brisket from 2-4:00PM on Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup> at the Old Mission Masonic Center, 5201 W 75th St, Prairie Village, KS 66208, at \$15 per person. Also available is a Bazaar with jewelry, trinkets and baked goods. Dress is business casual and YOUR support would be appreciated.

All of our Masonic family are welcome to join us Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> as we welcome Supreme Queen Patty Larimore to the Kansas City area with an Olive Garden Dinner for \$20 per person served at 5pm at the Wyandotte Lodge, 2835 N 103rd Terrace, Kansas City, KS 66109. This will be followed by our Official Visit, for members and candidates only, at 6:30. This event is formal.

Membership is open to a woman of good character eighteen years of age or older and is 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.







## CEREMONIAL SESSION AUG. 31 - SEPT. 2, 2023

CSSA 2023 is coming. This year CSSA is from August 31 to September 2 in Omaha, Nebraska. Abdallah as secured a block of rooms at the Comfort Inn & Suites, 7007 Grover Street, Omaha, NE 68106. The host hotel is a short drive away where the ladies' luncheon and market place are located. Our room rate is \$90 per night.

Reservations can be made through the office along with registration for CSSA. There is a fee with registration, which includes CSSA registration and hospitality fee. Your associations may have some fees they have not asked us to collect. You will be able to adjust your dates of your stay based on what you are planning to do.

Remember, even if you are only arriving for the parade or a single competition you must be registered for CSSA. Stop by the office and pick up forms or download them from the Abdallah website. Get ready for competition, have some fun and meet and greet other Shriners from around Central States.

**CSSA 2023 Registration is \$65 per-person. All attendees must register and you must Register through Abdallah Shriners Office by August 11. Please complete & return with payment.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Lady: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit/Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Payment method: Check  Cash  CC  *Credit Card Payments subject to additional fees*

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp \_\_\_\_\_ Code \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature on file for credit card authorization

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Phone Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Fax Number

# **2023 CSSCA SCHEDULE**

## **Thursday- August 31<sup>st</sup> 2023**

**4:30PM- Registration Open- Tangier Scimitar Room Upper Level**

**5:30PM- Business Meeting- Tangier Shrine Lower Level**

**6:00PM- Balloon Competition- Tangier Shrine Lower Level**

**6:30PM- Parking lot Party- Tangier Shrine Parking Lot**

## **Friday- September 1<sup>st</sup> 2023**

**7:00AM- Registration Open- Tangier Shrine Lower Level**

**9:00AM- Make-Up & Costume- Tangier Shrine Lower Level**

**1:00PM- Skit Competition- Tangier Shrine Lower Level**

## **Saturday- September 2<sup>nd</sup> 2023**

**8:00AM- Line-up Parade- Consult your Shrine Center**

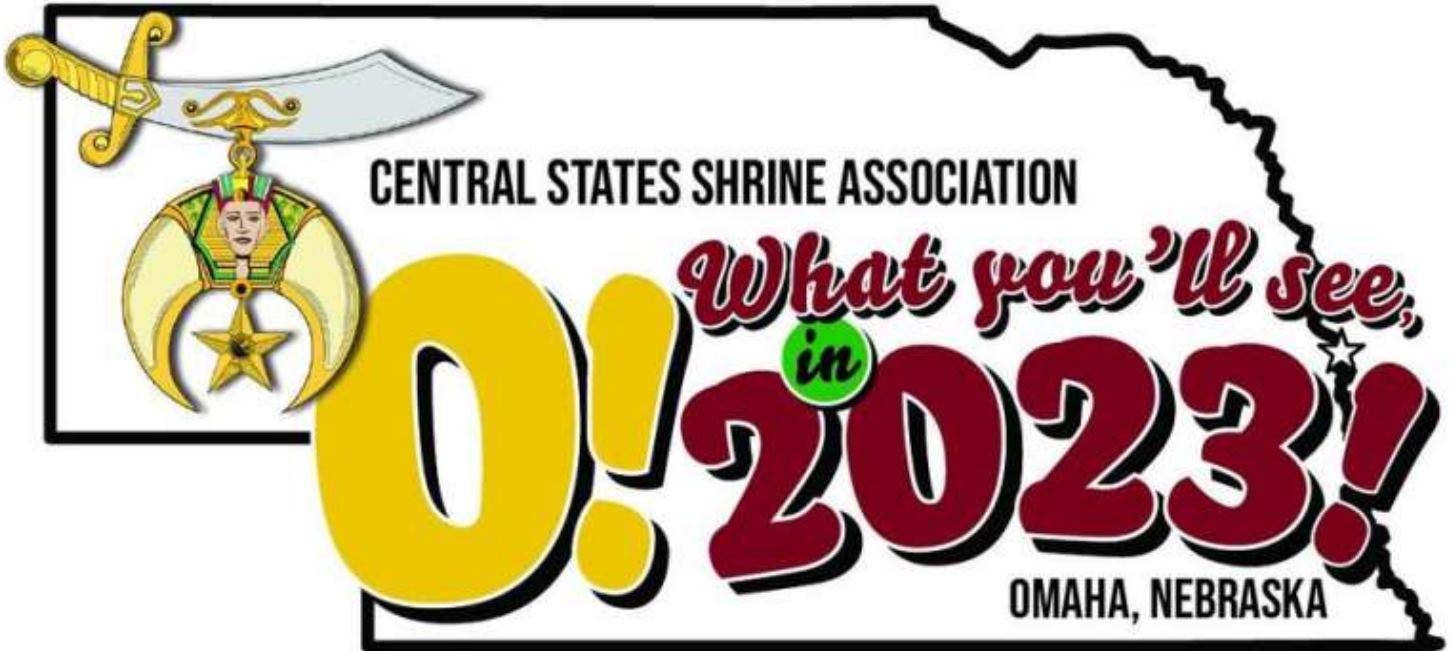
**9:00AM- Step Off- Downtown Ralston**

**?????- Oasis following the parade**

**5:00PM- Awards Banquet @ Tangier Shrine Lower Level**

**Tangier Shine Center offers a ramped loading dock with double walk through doors and 8ft ceilings that lead directly to the competition area for ease of loading props in and out. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to reach out my number is (712) 350-2888**

**Tangier Shrine Center  
2823 S. 84<sup>th</sup> St  
Omaha, NE 68124**



**CSSA 2023**

**LADIES SOCIAL & BRUNCH**

**Thursday, August 31**

**Omaha Regency Marriott, Regency Ballroom  
10220 Regency Circle**

**10:00 am social (cash bar)**

**10:30 am brunch**

**Croque Monsieur  
Roasted Asparagus  
Fresh Fruit  
Coffee & Tea Service**

**Program to follow brunch**

**\$40 per person**

**Email food allergies to [cssa2023@gmail.com](mailto:cssa2023@gmail.com)**



Parking Lot Party



# THE 70'S

*Band*

August

**31**

6-10 pm

**Tickets**

**\$20 Presale**

**\$25 At Door**

**Tangier Shrine Center**

**2823 S 84th St**

**Omaha, NE**

Wear your best 70s clothing to get your groove on.  
Pre-Registration is available through CSSA Registration.

Cash Bar



## Food Trucks by Good Time Eats

Philly Sandwiches, Burgers, or Folded Pizza can be purchased.



### Seating will be limited.

Bring your own chair.



or



# Central States Association of Shrine Motor Corps 2023

## Omaha, Nebraska

ALL Associations are invited and encouraged to come out and PARTICIPATE with  
The Central States Association of Shrine Motor Corps August 31- September 2, 2023

in

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Great fun, great fellowship, fantastic competition and the opportunity to learn how other  
Associations participate and grow their memberships. We are looking for help and  
new ideas that we may apply to our future Competitions...

### COMPETITION FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 07:30 hours – 15:00 hours

Make sure you visit the CSSA 2023 website, GET REGISTERED and then  
VISIT the CSASMC.com website to let us know  
if you are coming to VISIT, or HELP, or COMPETE with us at CSSA 2023.  
Trophies presented at Banquet.

### ALL ASSOCIATIONS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND OUR BANQUET

We typically have 600+ at our AWARDS Banquet FRIDAY Evening.

### MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS TODAY...DON'T DELAY

<http://cssa2023.com> & <http://csasmc.com>

President George Matook at [gmmatook@me.com](mailto:gmmatook@me.com) or Secretary Lynn Ungles at  
316-640-0607

# CSASMC.com

*To all the Nobles and Divan of the CSSA*  
**Come and Enjoy Omaha CSSA 2023**  
From the Members and Officers of the CSASMC

*This information has been published for several months now. If your submission is not included it could be because of issues related to the info below.*

# 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 and advertisements** must be received via email at [abdallaplayground30@gmail.com](mailto:abdallaplayground30@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.

**All Advertisements** must be submitted electronically as a picture format file, either **jpeg or png** files. We will **NOT** except any other file format including pdf, PowerPoint files or hard copy that requires scanning. Also, do NOT ask to update last year’s ad as that will NOT happen! Ads must be of the size in the chart below. Additionally, ALL advertisements must adhere to Shriners International Fundraising Policies & Procedures, which states All advertisements must include a **Statement of Purpose and a Disclosure**. (See next page) Disclosure **MUST** be as the exact wording as specified in the guidelines, i.e. *“Payments are not deductible as charitable contributions”*. Any other wording is not acceptable and your ad will **NOT** be included in the publication. Remember this policy applies to ALL advertising of any Shrine event, Posters, Flyers, Handouts, ect...

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](mailto: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.

Fraternal Fundraiser Checklist

- Has written permission been obtained from the Temple Potentate?
- Has a copy of the approval been sent to the Executive Vice President – Shriners International?
- Has the Temple Potentate reviewed and approved any necessary contracts?
- Has the appropriate insurance been obtained?
- Has the Temple Potentate examined all solicitation and promotional material to assure compliance with Shrine law?
- Have all federal, state/province and local laws been complied with?
- Has there been compliance with The Revenue Act of 1987 (if the Temple is located in the United States)? (See General Order No. 1)
- Have a “Statement of Purpose” and “Disclosure” been included on all tickets, solicitation and promotional material, including Temple publications?

### Playground Advertising Rates

Size	Dimensions	Mthly	Annual
Full Page	10"h x 8"w	\$200	\$2,200
Half Page	5"h x 8"w	\$110	\$1,210
Quarter Page	5"h x 4"w	\$60	\$660
B-Card	2.5"h x 3" w	\$25	\$275

*Units & Clubs receive a 50% discount*

**Everyone should be familiar with the following fundraising guidelines and be aware that the disclosure and statement of purpose can and should be applied to any information that published and available to the public whether it is a “fundraiser” or not.**



# Shriners International Fundraising Policies & Procedures

## Introduction

Because Shriners have been the driving force behind Shriners Hospitals for Children®, it has become natural to associate the Fez with this charity. However, Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children are separate and distinct legal corporations.

Shriners Hospitals for Children is a 501(c)(3) incorporated in the state of Colorado, and it operates 22 locations. Its purpose is to provide medical care to children without regard to race, creed, sect or nationality. The treatment is provided regardless of the families’ ability to pay. This is the Charitable corporation.

Shriners International is incorporated in the state of Iowa, and it presently has nearly 200 unincorporated fraternal associations in several countries. We know them as Shrine Temples. This is the Fraternal corporation.

Particular attention must be given to all fundraising activities to make certain that such activities comply with the law of the land and that a contributor is not led to believe that his money will be used for the Hospitals when all or a portion therefore may be used otherwise.

## Types of Fundraisers

There are two types of Shrine fundraisers – Charitable and Fraternal.

**Charitable Fundraisers** – Where 100 percent of the net proceeds benefit Shriners Hospitals for Children. (See pages 3-6.)

**Fraternal Fundraisers** – Where the net proceeds benefit the Temple, which in turn may distribute them as it sees fit. For example, profits may be disbursed to the Temple general fund, a building fund, to clubs and/or units, to Shriners Hospitals for Children, to local community or Masonic related projects (DeMolay, Masonic Home, etc.) or any combination thereof.

## Procedures That Apply to All Shrine Fundraising Activities

- All fundraising must comply with the law of the land; that is, the law of the jurisdiction where the activity takes place. This includes national, state or province, and local laws.

- The use of the name Shriners Hospitals for Children is governed by §503.11 of the bylaws of Shriners Hospitals for Children.
- All fundraising is governed by General Order No. 1 as may be issued on that subject by the Imperial Potentate.
- Insurance: Your attention should be directed to that portion of the existing General Order No.1 pertaining to insurance. Strict compliance is required.
- All contracts must be reviewed and approved by the Temple Potentate after receiving the advice of the Temple attorney.
- All fundraising promotional materials (including Temple publications) must include a statement indicating the major entity benefited by the funds [Statement of Purpose]

## Statements of Purpose and Disclosure

All fundraising promotional materials must contain a STATEMENT OF PURPOSE. Below are examples for each type of fundraising activity.

### For Charitable Fundraisers:

“Proceeds are for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children.”

### For Fraternal Fundraisers:

“Proceeds are for the benefit of ( \_\_\_\_\_ Shriners) ( \_\_\_\_\_ shrine unit/club) activities.”

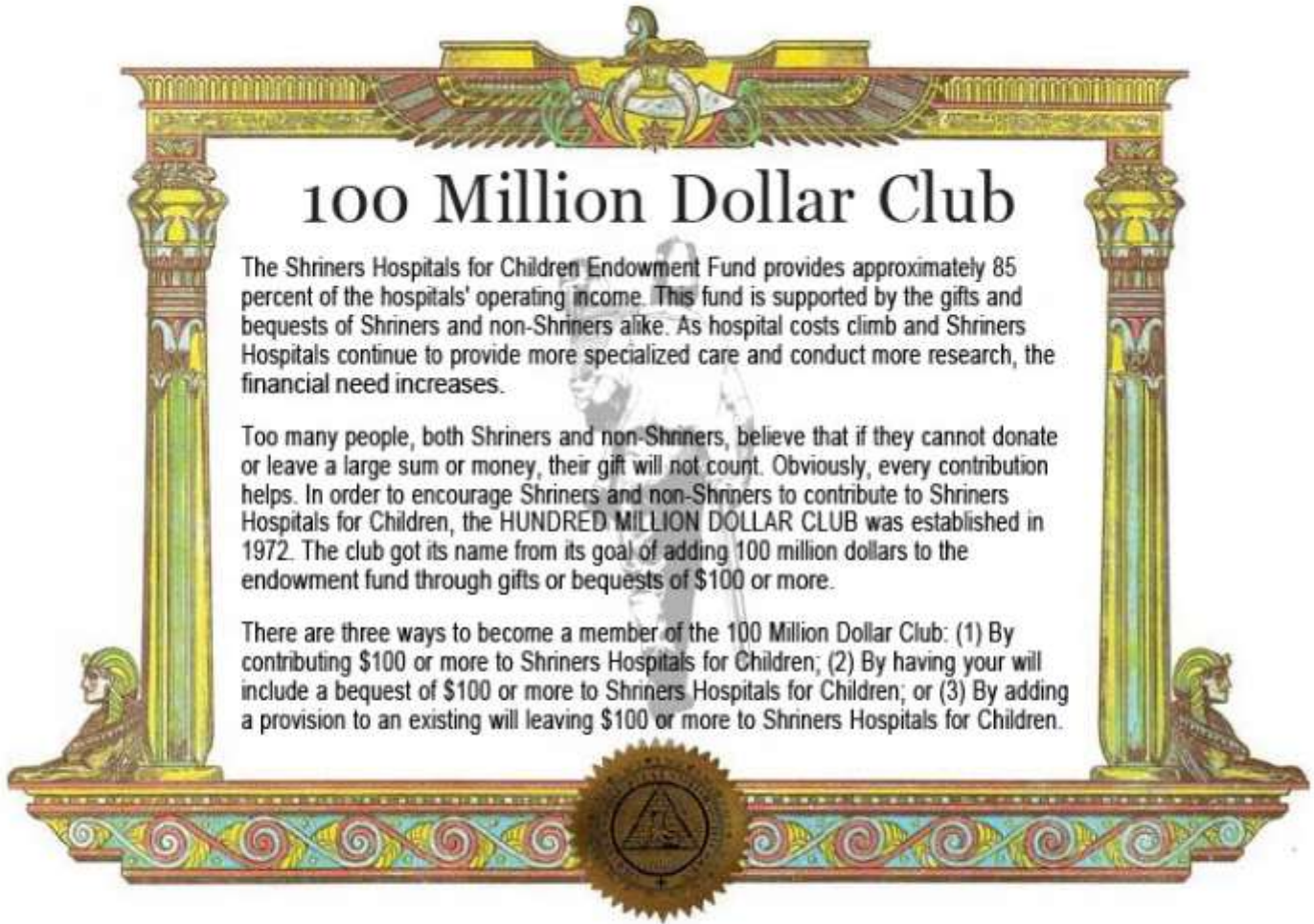
Every fundraising activity which is not entirely for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children shall prominently state on all solicitation material, including tickets, programs, documents and electronically transmitted material, the following

**DISCLOSURE:** “Payments are not deductible as charitable contributions.”

**NOTE:** All fraternal fundraising materials must include both the Statement of Purpose and Disclosure

*The full policy is available online or from your Divan*

# The Perfect Anytime Gift



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Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Shrine No. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Please have certificate read (Name) \_\_\_\_\_

Return to: Abdallah Shriners, 5300 Metcalf Ave., Overland Park, KS 66204-1225

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## Overland Park

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Jack Clark & Bennie Smith



**50/50  
Raffle**

Need another great reason to come to the Stated Meetings? Abdallah Shriners has a 50/50 raffle at each Stated Meeting where half of the pot goes to the winner and the other half goes into the year end jackpot. The pot will grow each month for a nice jack pot at the December Stated Meeting. Be sure to come to the Stated Meeting as you don't want to miss this!

## Abdallah Coffee Club

Meeting the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of every month  
9:00am - Activity Room

*2nd Wednesday is now a cooked breakfast, not donuts. Please RSVP if attending*

Come on up to the Shrine and enjoy the company of your fellow Nobles!

Not limited to just Shriners – bring your coffee drinking buddies along too!

We will shoot the breeze and enjoy donuts and coffee together.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

For breakfast RSVP to:

Jerry Ogden

imastar@kc.rr.com



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## Attention:

**Units & Clubs: Now is the time to be booking the Abdallah Hall and the Nobles Activity Room for your 2023 Events & Activities! Don't wait until it's too late to get the dates you want!**



**Nobles and Ladies**

Come Visit the Abdallah Oasis on

**BIRTHDAY FRIDAY!**

It happens on the

**1st Friday, 7pm**

Every Month.

On your birth month you donate \$25, and all attendees enjoy a refreshment on you until the funds run out. Then, on the other 11 months, you will whet your whistle at the expense of all the other Birthday folks!

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Children's™**

If any member would like to be added to my Angel Lady Sunshine News Updates please email me at : [anniem22@att.net](mailto:anniem22@att.net) There are a lot of new members and I don't have all your email addresses. Thanks!  
Anna Marie Swearingin

[beashriner.com](http://beashriner.com)

**Units and Clubs**

Don't forget to write an Article  
the PLAYGROUND.

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

It is a good way to get information out to New Nobles and Ladies to peak their interest in your group. email your article to:  
[abdallahplayground30@gmail.com](mailto:abdallahplayground30@gmail.com)

William "Bill" P. Leonard, 32° KCCH  
Personal Representative



*Scottish Rite*  
*Valley of Northeast Kansas*  
*Orient of Kansas*



5201 W 75th St., Prairie Village KS 66208  
913-593-5890  
[billleonard@gmail.com](mailto:billleonard@gmail.com)



**ABDALLAH Shriner's Business & Professional Sponsorship Directory**

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**R & B Auto—Auto Body Repair**  
 913-839-7309  
 randbauto66083@yahoo.com

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 Mike, Jack, & Megan  
 219 S. Kansas Ave. Olathe, KS 66061

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 12330 W. 135th St. Overland Park, KS  
 66221

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 913-449-1478

ABDALLAH Advertising Order Form

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Line 1	_____	\$10	_____
Line 2	_____	\$10	_____
Line 3	_____	\$10	_____
Line 4	_____	\$10	_____
Line 5	_____	\$10	_____
Line 6	_____	\$10	_____
Outline	Yes No	\$10	_____
Bold	Yes No	\$10	_____
Grid	Yes No	\$10	_____
		Total	_____

**ELECTIVE DIVAN**

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gcsippel@gmail.com	
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Larry D. Gaston - <b>1995</b> .....	913-856-7277
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Lyle Smith - <b>2000</b> .....	913-782-3767
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Kevin Larson - <b>2014</b> .....	<b>913-780-4246</b>
Tim Williams - <b>2015</b> .....	<b>816-308-7575</b>
Garry Dial - <b>2016</b> .....	<b>913-579-8336</b>
Jeff Johnson - <b>2017</b> .....	<b>913-207-9144</b>
Bennie Smith - <b>2018</b> .....	<b>913-449-0987</b>
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Brian Wilson - <b>2020</b> .....	<b>816-520-8315</b>
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Darrel Schrader (Kem - <b>1993</b> ).....	<b>701-370-1280</b>

**ABDALLAH SHRINE BUILDING ASSOCIATION**

*All Elected Divan Officers plus*

Benny Harper (2019 - <b>2023</b> ) .....	913-449-1478
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Lynn Baker (2022 - <b>2026</b> ) .....	<b>913-486-2555</b>
Kevin Larson P.P. (2023 - <b>2027</b> ) .....	913-787-7308

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<b>Ken Holliday</b> .....	913-599-0276
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<b>Joe Hobbs</b> .....	913-271-6200
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<b>Gary Folk</b> .....	<b>913-638-2848</b>
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PCM Chairman	Brian Wilson P.P.	816-520-8315
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Red Zone Committee	Tim Williams P.P.	816-308-7575
Shrine Photographer	Wayne Rector	913-669-2473
	Sharon Steele	913-492-4436
SHC Golf Event	Kevin Larson P.P.	913-787-7308
Sickness and Distress	Jerry Ogden	816-260-8882

## **Upcoming Events**

**The Abdallah Shrine Office hours have changed.**

**New hours are**

**10AM - 4PM Monday, through Thursday**

**Closed on Friday.**

**Open until 7:00pm on Stated Meeting Nights**

**August 4th - B-Day Friday**

**August 5th - Johnson County Fair Parade**

**August 5th - Luau @ The Shrine**

**August 8th - Stated Meeting**

**August 11th –13th - Inaugural Camping Club Outing**

**August 23rd - Coffee Club Doughnuts**

**August 26th - Golf Tournament**

**August 29th - 2024 Trip Meeting**

**August 31st - Sept 2nd CSSA Omaha**

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