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May your
pockets be
HEAVY
and your
heart
be light.
May good
luck
pursue you each
morning and night...

Irish Blessing

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MEMBERSHIP

Jan 1 2019	770
	<u>YTD</u>
Creations.....	18
Affiliations.....	0
Restorations.....	7
Associate.....	0
Deceased.....	(39)
Demitted.....	(7)
Suspended.....	(40)
Withdrawn.....	0
Associate Dropped.....	(1)
Expulsions.....	0
Total Gain (Loss).....	(62)
Dec 31 Total.....	708



In Memory

BINGO Schedule - 2020

March

- 2 Legion of Honor
- 9 Misfits
- 16 TASS \ Yo-Shi
- 23 Clowns
- 30 Escorts

April

- 6 Blue Racers
- 13 Antique & Classic Cars
- 20 Provost
- 27 Trail 70s

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

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



Stated Meeting
March 10, 2020
6:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Menu: Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Green Beans, Salad, Roll, Coffee & Tea

Interested in helping the Chefs? They are looking for a few good men to help in the kitchen .

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



ABDALLAH STATED MEETING

ABDALLAH SHRINE
5300 Metcalf, Overland Park, KS 66202
2020 Dues Card Required



Stated Meeting
March 10, 2020
7:30 PM

Brian Wilson
Illustrious Potentate

Bennie Smith P.P.
Recorder



The POTENTATE'S MESSAGE



WOW, Can you guys believe how great this year has already been. We were lucky to celebrate our hometown Kansas City Chiefs Victory in the Super Bowl by watching the big game in our main hall. Abdallah Shriners represented our Chiefs Kingdom in a great way! We had 76 Nobles and Ladies come to watch the game, and we also had a large showing of guests that had never been in our place before, and we might have interested them to decide to be a Shrine Mason. Herb and Carolyn Merrick and Greg and Mary Ellen Sippel put on a great party. Thank you goes out to Illustrious Sir Nick Turner for sponsoring our event with giving our guests free barley pops, Thanks Nick!!!

We are looking forward to the Potentates Ball on March 14. This will be the first time the Potentates Ball has ever been hosted at the Shrine. We are going to have a great band, good food and adult beverages. We also will be providing free transportation to and from the hotel. Amy and I tasked the ball committee to put on a beautiful, classy event and to also

lose no money on the event. This is a huge task, but I am confident Illustrious Sir Kevin Larson and Lady Carolyn are going to make it happen. I encourage future Divan to consider this as an option going forward. Please come out and enjoy the evening with us!

We had some recent changes and I am asking for your help to get the membership committee off to a good start. We need help from you all to contact the nobles that have not paid their 2020 dues. We need chairmen for restoration, retention and recruitment. This temple committee is one of the single most important committees this temple has to help Abdallah in the future. If we don't take a serious look at membership, I am afraid we will fail in the not so distant future.

As I previously mentioned last month, we will no longer be printing and mailing the monthly playground. The playground will be an online version only. This decision was hard for myself and the board of directors to make, but the ultimate decision to no longer print and mail the playground was made for financial reasons. By not printing and mailing we save you approximately \$18,000 a year, not to mention the dozens of man hours it takes to produce this. I encourage all of you that have a noble or lady that does not have the ability to read the on line version to print them a copy and take it to them, maybe join them for a cup of coffee.

Please start planning NOW for Abdallah and Ararat to cohost the 146th Imperial Convention July 5 through July 9, 2020. Our Imperial Potentate Jeff Sowder requests that all Nobles and Ladies please come out to enjoy the many events offered, but especially the motorized units. If you have never been to an Imperial Convention, it's really fun, and the parades usually last for 3 or more hours, and you get to see Nobles from all over the world. The details can be seen on <http://www.imperial2020.com>

I am looking forward to the start of the parade season to get out and ride on my beloved Harley Davidson. Please start getting your parade gear washed and pressed and your cars and bikes ready to roll!!!!!! Parade season is my favorite time of the year!!!!!!!

As Always, thank you all for what you do to make Abdallah a great place. I know that not everyone will always agree with every decision I make, our your board makes, but I ask that we all remember that we are all brothers and sisters and a Shrine family at the end of the day. I ask everyone to make decisions to do what's best for Abdallah, and not what's best for ourselves or our specific Units or Clubs.

Brian Wilson, Potentate



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

**Happy
Birthday Noble!**

From the Illustrious Potentate, Divan and
Members of Abdallah Shriners



March 1st

Dale H Schmidt

March 2nd

John G Feedback

Nicholas D Cooley

March 3rd

Kenneth J Mickey

Gary N Lamons

March 4th

James D Neighbors

March 5th

Robert L Swecker

James Hankins

Craig H Ferries

March 6th

Gerald J Jefferies

Dwight M Gillespie

March 7th

John W Doubleday

March 8th

Dyce P Bonham

March 9th

Rick Leines

Lance C Hollis

March 10th

Robert P Johnston

M. K Beach

March 11th

John E Morasch

March 13th

John E Masters P.P.

Robert M Thomas

Erik S Kittrell

March 14th

Lloyd R Raymos

James R Doggett

March 15th

Tyler E Smith

March 16th

John R Fischer

Ronald E Bugh

Donald E Matteson

March 18th

John D Flegler

Nick A Turner P.P.

March 19th

Frank J Patton Jr.

March 20th

Michael Lane

Michael K Waite

March 21st

Ronald L Maybell

Berton L Ormsby

March 23rd

George M Humphries III

Vester A Gillette

March 24th

Kenneth E Crouch

March 25th

David L Bowman

Robert E Anderson

Earl S Weers Jr.

William A Kerstetter

March 26th

David B Hayden

John S Foster

March 27th

Robert W Harbour

Monte R Zinn

Don A Cashman

Anthony W Borum

March 29th

Lawrence H James

Michael D DeGraff

March 30th

Clarence E Dellinger Jr.

Richard J Cheek

March 31st

John W Peters

Jack D Turner

Victor E Renyer



Nobles and Ladies
Come Visit the Shrine 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!

Bring a Snack to Share!
Bring a Friend to Share with!

Way to go Bingo Committee!!!

So far in 2020, The Bingo Committee has raised:

\$64.78


in bingo tips!

All money collected in bingo tips is deposited into the transportation fund to help aid our drivers in transporting our Shrine Patients to the Shriners Hospitals for Children!

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

Anna Marie Swearengin

PCM



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NEED YOUR HELP
RIGHT NOW

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For more information contact:
ILLUSTRIOUS SIR, BILL HAMMER, P.P.
913-782-3692
Or
The Shrine Office

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Also, as a reminder, the deadline for submitted materials to the *Playground* is the 15th of the month.

If you would like to advertise an upcoming event and the prices for that event, you will need to place an ad. You can contact the office to get the proper paper work to place that ad.

Thank you,

Jerry Ogden, Editor

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

Chaplain

By Jerry Ogden

Often, I come across someone else's words that are just too good to overlook. The following is credited to Mother Teresa.

"People are often unreasonable, irrational and self-centered. Forgive them anyway."

"If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives. Be kind anyway."

"If you are successful, you will win some unfaithful friends and some genuine enemies. Succeed anyway."

"If you are honest and sincere, people may deceive you. Be honest and sincere anyway."

"What you spend years creating, others could destroy overnight. Create anyway."

"If you find serenity and happiness, some may be jealous. Be happy anyway."

"The good you do today will often be forgotten. Do good anyway."

"Give the best you have and it will never be enough. Give your best anyway."

"In the final analysis, it is between you and God. It was never between you and them anyway."

Amen



"THE LAUGH"

The JOKER Family would like to convey their deepest sympathy to JOKER'S Past President Jim **(LB)** Inman on the passing of his beloved wife Tootsie. Tootsie will always be remembered for her outstanding sense of humor!

JOKER'S next regular scheduled meeting is TUESDAY, March 24, 2020, fourth (4th) Tuesday of the month.

Social Hour commences at 6:00 PM and continues until 6:30 PM; meal starts immediately afterwards. Regular scheduled monthly meeting starts at 7:30. Come have a drink and share your humor! Stay Warm, Stay Safe

**GOOD IDEAS SPRING FORTH
NATURALLY FROM YOUR MIND.**



The first meeting of the year for the Abdallah Social Society is March 26. We'll be installing the officers for 2020: Mike Guilinger, President; Chad Wyancko, Vice President and Kevin Larson P.P. as Sec/Tres.

The social starts at 5ish and dinner is at 6:30pm with the business meeting at 7 p.m.. Meetings are short to allow more time for social as that is what we are about.

If you're not already a member come to our meeting and see what all the fun is about!



Well Noble Sons of the Desert:

We are into month two of the new year and when this is read, the OB will have given our first performance at the Red Zone to show the elected players what Shrinedom is all about and hopefully give them a spark to join us when they become of age. We are needing new young blood in "The BAND".

We look forward to St. Pat's day coming to a street near you. The OB will be in full form to make the crowd dance and smile.

Let's make this year the best and set a bar high.

If someone out their reading this has a need for music, and fun, and fun, and music, contact us. Meetings are on the first Thursday of each month, come visit.

Richard "Bear" Sobek

RUSH NIGHTS!

**May 1st
August 7th
November 6th**

Get your candidates ready!

CEREMONIAL

September 25th & 26th

"Membership is the Key to Success"



Abdallah Greeters
“A handshake is all it takes to meet, greet, and make friends...”

By Gaylon Jones

The Appreciation Dinner was well attended. A wonderful meal was served and enjoyed by all.

Congratulation to Illustrious Potentate Brian Wilson and Lady Amy and the new Divan for 2020. We are all looking forward to a great year. The Potentate Reception was canceled on Friday because of the weather and was held on Saturday. It was very well attended and the food and hospitality was enjoyed by all.

Thanks to all for supporting the Tin Lizzie Wild West Dance. Tin Lizzies will be selling Abdallah Onions. Gaylon Jones will be taking orders and getting onions to our members.

If there are any Nobles looking for a Unit to join come visit the Tin Lizzies. We meet on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7 pm at the Abdallah Shrine.

The new Officers for 2020 Tin Lizzies: President, Andy Kling, Vice President, Gaylon Jones, Secretary Ike Sisemore, Treasurer, Dennis Hubler, and Director Chris Muro.

New Officers for the Lizzettes: President, Candy Kling, Vice President, Sue Hubler and Treasurer Anna Marie Swearengin.

February Birthday Friday turnout was Large, lots of February Birthdays. Hope to see you all Birthday Friday the 6th of March. It is always a lot of fun.

Birthday:
 Barbara Foster 3-18

Anniversary:
 Joe & Carolyn Brown 3-23
 Jim & Lisa Rush 3-17

Greetings Nobles and Ladies!!

What a great start to a new year! I would like to begin with a heart-felt congratulations to our new Potentate and 1st Lady of Abdallah Shrine for the Year of our Lord 2020, Illustrious Brian Wilson and his Lady Amy!

The first meeting of the new year for Abdallah Provost Guard (heretofore known as APG) sees us, once again, growing! We have the distinct pleasure of welcoming Noble Philip Gicalone to our ranks. Noble Gicalone brings with him 42 years of law enforcement experience as well as active duty and reserve military experience.

APG welcomes all Nonbles to apply for admittance to our esteemed club. We would love to see new membership and, of course, great fellowship. If you have any interest, Ladies included, just ask any one of our members and we will get you to the right person and get you an application.

APG is resuming target practice at the Bullet Hole the first Tuesday of every month from 5:00pm -6:00pm. We would like to have you come join us any time you wish, and as always, we greatly appreciate your support.

Erik Kittrell, Sec/Tres.



The Abdallah Greeters held their first regular meeting on February 24th. New officers Mitch Carter (President) Bob Anver (Vice-President) Sean Ormer, Treasurer and Bill Leonard Secretary started to make plans for 2020.

The 2020 Christmas party will be on December 28th. The caterers are going to send us a list of menu choices.

Bill Leonard was welcomed back after successful 4 bypass operation in January.

There's a man, walking down the street at 1 in the morning and he's very drunk. A policeman stops him and asks: *“Where are you going in that condition?”* Man: *“Il'mm on mmyy waayyy to a lectttuurre on FFreemmassonnrrry”* Officer: *“Where can you possibly get a lecture on Freemasonry at this time of night?”* Man: *“Frromm mmyy wifffe, wwhenn I get home!”*

Units and Clubs

Don't forget to write an Article to go here in this section of 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:
playground@abdallahshrine.org

**ILLUSTRIOUS SIR BRIAN WILSON AND LADY AMY
CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO ATTEND THE**

Abdallah Potentate's Ball

**SATURDAY, THE FOURTEENTH OF MARCH
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY**

We are excited the Potentate's Ball is at Abdallah Shrine this year. Ball reservations are \$60 per person and include a delicious buffet dinner featuring apple bourbon Pork Tenderloin and Smoked Turkey carved on site. Transportation will be provided to and from the hotel during the Ball.

Dress for daytime activities is casual or counterpart shirts and evening activities is tux or dark suit with fez for nobles and formal dress for ladies.

Hotel accommodations are available at the Kansas City-Merriam Hampton Inn & Suites, 7400 West Frontage Road, Merriam, Kansas, on Saturday, March 14, 2020.

Room rates are \$119 suite/double or \$109 king standard plus taxes and fees. You may reserve your room by calling the Hampton Inn at 913-722-0800 and using group code F04. Hotel accommodations are also available if you wish to join us Friday evening, March 13, 2020. Free hot breakfast offered daily.

ABDALLAH BALL TIMELINE

Friday 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Meet your friends and start your weekend early with welcome drinks and appetizers in the Hotel Lobby Hospitality Suite at the Kansas City-Merriam Hampton Inn

Saturday 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Informal cocktail party in the Hotel Lobby Hospitality Suite for Abdallah Shriners, their ladies, counterparts and guests

3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Presentations will begin as cocktail party ends

6:00 p.m. Main Hall doors open for social hour

6:30 p.m. Grand Entry

7:00 p.m. Potentate remarks followed by dinner

8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Dance to the music of Sass Monkeys

10:30 p.m. Hotel Lobby Hospitality Suite reopens
Dress Casual, pajamas encouraged

Please call Abdallah's Office at 913-362-5300 for questions and make reservations for the Ball. Our caterer, Kansas City Catering, has graciously extended the deadline for reservations until Tuesday, March 10, during the Stated Meeting. We would appreciate it if all reservations and payments for the Ball be finalized at the Stated Meeting at the very latest. Thank you so much, hope to see you there, Kevin and Carolyn Larson



This Is My Moment: The stories of Cristian and Madelyn

Every year, Shriners Hospitals for Children® selects two National Patient Ambassadors to represent the health care system's patients. The ambassadors spend the year sharing their stories of perseverance in the face of adversity and the ways Shriners Hospitals for Children has made a dramatic difference in their lives. Introducing our two new Ambassadors:

Cristian

Cristian, who is now 18, was born with spina bifida and hydrocephalus. In his first two weeks of life, Cristian had two surgeries and went on to have nearly a dozen more. Cristian faced several of the same challenges of many other patients with spina bifida, including gastro-intestinal system and balance difficulties, as well as complications from various surgeries.



For several years, Cristian's family had difficulty finding doctors who understood how to best help him. That all changed one day in 2012, when Cristian met a Shriner who referred him to Shriners Hospitals for Children. Cristian was 13 when he had the surgery that he says changed his life and gave him hope, at Shriners Hospitals for Children — Los Angeles (now Shriners for Children Medical Center in Pasadena, California).

Devoted to his schoolwork and seminary studies as well as his part-time job and playing the cello, Cristian has also been active in supporting Shriners Hospitals for Children. He even dedicated his Eagle Scout project to the cause, raising funds to present more than 200 Build-A-Bear toys to the Pasadena medical center.

Cristian is looking forward to his responsibilities as a National Patient Ambassador. "I know that I am who I am because of the Shriners," he said. "I have been able to see that I can do whatever I want and I can overcome any obstacle that I face. I want to give back to them because of that — because of the life that they've given me. Through Shriners Hospitals for Children and the national ambassadorship that I've been given, I hope to share a message of positivity and hope to all those who need it."

Madelyn

Madelyn, now 19, was born 10 weeks early. Doctors told her parents that she was beautiful, healthy, tiny — and was born without her left arm.



Madelyn's journey with Shriners Hospitals for Children began with her first visit to our St. Louis location, when she was just 3 months old. Throughout her childhood, Madelyn used prosthetics, mainly for balance, and to help with various activities. Occupational therapists at the hospital helped Madelyn learn to function and interact in the world. As she grew older, Madelyn began using her prosthetics less often, and by middle school, she opted to stop using them.

In school, Madelyn's busy schedule included not only her classwork but also competitive swimming, first on a team for children with disabilities, then on her high school team. She also participated in competitive, coed water polo. "Nothing is impossible in my mind," she said. "It's just the ability to adapt and work around it."

Madelyn has always devoted herself to advocating and educating. She loves to make YouTube videos showing how to accomplish things using only one arm. At Ability Awareness Week, a program of St. Louis area elementary schools, Madelyn loves to share her story and to explain how Shriners Hospitals for Children changed her life. Drawing from her own experiences of being bullied for having only one arm, Madelyn likes to incorporate anti-bullying themes into her presentations.

Madelyn is currently a student at Maryville University in St. Louis, where she is very active in student activities, and made the Dean's List her first two semesters.

"I am incredibly excited to see where this year takes me," Madelyn said. "I hope to inspire other kids, and be able to show them that they can do anything they put their mind to — they might just do it a little bit differently."

We congratulate Cristian and Madelyn, and thank them for their willingness to represent Shriners Hospitals for Children, and share their stories. To view their video, *This is My Moment*, please visit youtube.com/shrinershospitals.



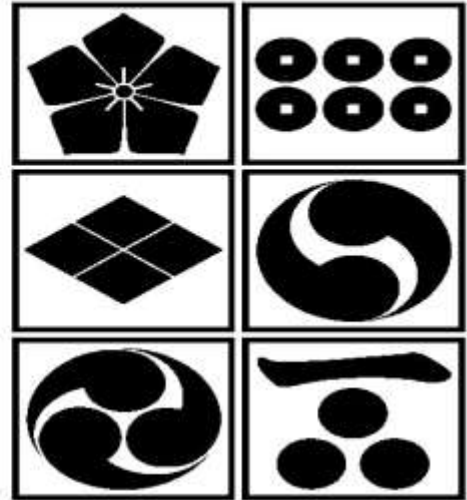
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MANDARIN DEGREE



Abdallah Tong #42
 Honorable Mandarin
 will confer the most
 beautiful degree.
 The ritual is many centuries old.
 Come pay homage to the
 Honorable Mandarin



Date: Saturday, March 21
Time: Social 5:30p Degree 6:00p
Donation: Degree \$20.00

AAHHH SOOOOO !!!

CONTACT: Roy Samuel
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ABDALLAH SHRINE VIDALIA ONION SALES 2020 UNIT/CLUB ORDER FORM

This order form must be filled out, signed, and returned to Chairman Chris Robertson by March 6, 2020.

On this date _____, 2020 the _____ Unit/Club would like to commit to the Shrine Onion committee that they will sell _____ 10 lb. bags of Vidalia Onions. *This Unit/Club understands that they are responsible for the payment of and selling of all onions that they order. The Shrine will not accept the return of unsold onions.* They also understand that all money is to be turned into the shrine office **BY ONE (1) UNIT OR CLUB CHECK BY (25 days after the receipt of onions.) If payment is not received, a 10% penalty will be deducted from your profits. Each month after the 25 days, an additional 10% will be deducted.** After all expenses are paid and 1 dollar per bag to the Abdallah general fund, the profit will be divided equally on the number of bags sold and checks will be issued. **Minimum orders 500 total pounds by all 10lb. bags (50), or more.**

Authorized Signature (Home Phone) (Work Phone)

Onion Chairman (Home Phone) (Work Phone)

E-MAIL Address

If a Unit/Club desires to sell on the street, they will be responsible for securing their own location and permits. All street selling locations need to be coordinated with Chris. The onions should be delivered around first week of May. Your coordinator will be informed of the delivery date.

Thank you for your continued support of our Shrine!!

Return this form to Chris Robertson, email at regisrob@aol.com or phone at 913-940-8666.

Abdallah Shriners Demolition Derby



First of all, let me start off by thanking everyone for electing me to be your Chief Rabban for 2020. I value your input and look forward to serving you this year. My lady, Mindy, and I have hit the ground running with plans for the Casino Night and the Demolition Derby and I wanted to share a few things here.

Casino Night – Saturday, May 2nd

If you haven't made it to our casino night the last couple of years, you won't want to miss this one! If you have been, be prepared to have even more fun!

- 21+
- BBQ dinner, it's \$10 and served from 6-7
- 7-10 is the actual casino time and for \$20 you get \$2,000 in chips and 2 drink tickets
- Additional chips and drink tickets available for purchase
- At the end, exchange your winning chips for tickets for chances to win prizes
- Bring your friends and family for a great night out

Mindy and I will be coming around to clubs and units in March and April to ask for monetary and/or prize sponsorships.

We are looking for new items like:

- TVs
- Gift cards for restaurants or services
- Electronics
- Outdoor items like grills or BBQ accessories
- Booze baskets
- Monetary sponsorships will be turned into physical prizes

Demolition Derby – August 28th & 29th

We have changed our fundraising event to a 2 day demolition derby! The Demo Committee is working on updating the logo along with the program advertising and event sponsorship materials with the new and exciting information. This derby won't be successful without your help getting out in the community to sell ads to support Abdallah's largest 2021 fundraiser.

Here are some things to note:

- We want to welcome Jim Rush as the Demo Derby Charmian this year
- Did you know that by selling ads/sponsorships you can earn your cash or Shrine Credit that can be used towards hall rentals or Potentate Ball fees in 2021?
 - Earn 25% CASH INCENTIVE for NEW ads/sponsorships
 - Earn 10% Shrine Credit for renewing that ads/sponsorships you sold before
- Ask family, friends, neighbors, employers – ads start as low as \$50
- Packets and forms will be available soon and we will keep you posted
- We will still need volunteers for the event – mark your calendars August 28th & 29th at the Leavenworth County Fairgrounds in Tonganoxie

Thanks again for all you do to make Abdallah the wonderful place that it is. And thank you for considering donating to the Casino Night, selling ads for the Demo Derby, and everything else you support!



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CASINO NIGHT

SATURDAY, MAY 2

BBQ DINNER 6PM-7PM | \$10
CASINO 7PM-10PM | \$20
INCLUDES 2 DRINK TICKETS & \$2,000 IN PLAY CHIPS
ADDITIONAL CHIPS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

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2020 Kansas Shrine Bowl

Saturday, July 18th @ 7 p.m.

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We need your Help!

Bingo is Abdallah's biggest fundraiser and the Committee could use your help!

The Abdallah Bingo Committee could use your help as we are in need of several new Money Collectors and people to verify winners. If you would like to help out and join the committee please call:

The Temple Office at 913-362-5300

The Bingo Committee could use 3-4 full time Bingo Workers from 5:00-9:00 PM.

With the pots getting bigger we need even more help! If you can come help, please do!



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Attention:

Units & Clubs: Now is the time to be booking the Abdallah Hall and the Nobles Activity Room for your 2020 Events & Activities! Don't wait until it's too late to get the dates you want!



**24th Annual Young Shriners
Golf Tournament
4-Man Scramble
All playing levels welcome**

Early Registration deadline is:

Postmarked by 5/1/2020 or
hand delivered to a Yo-Shi member by 5/9/2020.

Tournament Information:

When: Saturday May 16th 2020 approximately 12:00
Where: Painted Hills Golf Course, Kansas City, KS
Cost: \$85 per person, \$320 per team (persons signing up as an individual will be assigned to a team. **Late registration will be \$90 per person or \$360 per team.**

We are limiting this to 30 teams. Tournament fee includes the following: range balls, green fees, cart rental, sleeve of golf balls, pre-tournament lunch, beverages before, during and after golf, hotdogs during the post tournament awards and 1 ticket for random prize drawings.

Additional prize tickets will be for sale prior to tee off and right before prize drawings after lunch. 1-\$1 or 6-\$5. Mulligans will also be available for purchase prior to tee off 2-\$5 no limit.

The tournament is open to Nobles, their Ladies, and friends or guests of Shriners.

Mail Entries to:

**Yo-Shi
5300 Metcalf Ave
Overland Park, KS 66202**

Proceeds from this activity are for the use of Abdallah Yo-Shi and are NOT Tax Deductible

Registration Entry Form

Individual Team
(Please check appropriate box)

Team Captain/Individual Name

Additional Team Member Names (required if registering a team)

Email or Phone contact (Team Captain/Indv only)

Payment in full should be submitted with this entry form.
Make checks payable to Yo-Shi

*\$85 per golfer
\$320 per team*

Total Fees due:

Late registration will be \$90 and/or \$360

50/50 Raffle

2020 Upcoming Parade Dates

Hope to have details for the St Pats Parade next month. Check the Parade Calendar on the website for the latest info.

<https://www.abdallahshriners.com/parades>

Need another great reason to come to Stated Meetings? Abdallah Shrine is starting a 50/50 raffle at each Stated Meeting. Half of the pot will go to the winner and the other half will go towards the next months pot! The pot will grow every month and the payout will be higher and higher! Be sure to come to Stated Meetings as you don't want to miss this!




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


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

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54TH Annual Smorgasbord

Sunday, March 15th, 2020

11:00 am to 2:00 pm

13417 W. 94th Street (94th & Pflumm)

Lenexa, Kansas 66215



Tickets available from Lenexa Lodge
Members and at the door.
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Phone: 913-451-1860 / Web: www.JohnsonCountyChapel.com

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Rib Order Form

Name _____ Phone _____

Number of Racks _____ @ \$18.00 / rack _____ Total

Please return to a Pop A Woody member or mail to:

Nick Turner

11418 W. 89th Street

Overland Park, KS 66214

e-mail at n_turner13@yahoo.com

Chris Zugelder 913-378-8199 zugelder@ieee.org

Ribs will be available for pickup at The Abdallah Casino Night, May 2, 2020

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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Mikes Barber Shop 913-764-9767
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219 S. Kansas Ave. Olathe, KS 66061

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ELECTIVE DIVAN

<i>Potentate</i> – Brian Wilson (Amy)	816-520-8315
jwilson155@kc.rr.com	
<i>Chief Rabban</i> - Chris Zugelder (Mindy)	913-378-8199
Zugelder@ieee.org	
<i>Assistant Rabban</i> - Herb Merrick (Carolyn)	913-683-3041
hmerrick@kc.rr.com	
High Priest & Prophet - Greg Sippel (Mary Ellen)	913-226-4009
gcsippel@gmail.com	
<i>Oriental Guide</i> - Ronnie White (Barbie)	913-314-1568
randbauto66083@yahoo.com	
<i>Treasurer</i> - Mike Guilinger (Deb)	913-948-1501
mikeguilinger@gmail.com	
<i>Recorder</i> - Bennie Smith P.P. (Debbie Sullivan)	913-449-0987
benmaltrev@gmail.com	

APPOINTIVE DIVAN

<i>First Ceremonial Master</i> - Chris Robertson (Paula Luna)	913-940-8666
Regiscrob@aol.com	
<i>Second Ceremonial Master</i> - Tony Pagel	913-927-9129
tony@creativerestorationskc.com	
<i>Marshal</i> - Jim Leahy (Beth)	913-514-4291
jtleahy189@yahoo.com	
<i>Captain of the Guard</i> - Jamie Thornton	913-652-9486
jamie_thornton@swissre.com	
<i>Outer Guard</i> - Earl Genter (Marion)	913-547-1633
Hammer_601@yahoo.com	
<i>Chaplain</i> - Jerry Ogden (Shiela)	816-260-8882
imastar@kc.rr.com	

LIVING PAST POTENTATES

Robert Caplinger - 1968	816-214-5283
David G. Allison - 1987	913-849-3766
Gordon Toms - 1988	913-432-4693
Glenn Hamilton - 1990	913-383-8232
Arthur W. (Bill) Keefer - 1993	785-766-9172
Larry D. Gaston - 1995	913-856-7277
Fred Hope - 1997	913-772-7077
Floyd Fleming - 1999	785-248-3566
Lyle Smith - 2000	913-782-3767
Lee Wilson - 2001	913-522-8825
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Gerald (Jerry) Jeffries - 2005	913-851-1120
Bill Hammer - 2006	913-782-3692
Douglas Smith - 2007	913-909-8040
Chris Muro - 2008	913-384-0859
Gary Bennett - 2009	913-307-9498
Don Best - 2010	913-940-3956
Nick Turner - 2011	913-441-9555
Mike Tavares - 2012	913-727-1846
Eldon Masters - 2013	913-236-9878
Kevin Larson - 2014	913-780-4246
Tim Williams - 2015	816-308-7575
Garry Dial - 2016	913-579-8336
Jeff Johnson - 2017	913-207-9144
Bennie Smith - 2018	913-449-0987
Doug Voss - 2019	913-206-5400
Jim Lear (El Jebel – 1998).....	913-498-2209
Darrel Schrader (Kem - 1993).....	701-370-1280

ABDALLAH SHRINE BUILDING ASSOCIATION

All Elected Divan Officers *plus*

Ralph Anderton (2016 - 2020)	913-669-0538
Dale Schmidt (2017 – 2021)	913-481-4843
Larry Hewitt (2018 - 2022)	913-927-6950
Benny Harper (2019 - 2023)	913-449-1478
Tony Pagel (2020 - 2024).....	913-927-9129

ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING MANAGERS

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Ken Holliday	913-599-0276
Jeff Johnson P.P.	913-768-4665
Tom Oliphant	913-299-0845
Chris Robertson	913-940-8666
Richard “Bear” Sobek	913-991-1200
Joe Hobbs	913-271-6200
Sam Little	913-645-2405
Randy Mahan	913-515-9908
Blaine Miller	913-831-3031

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN AND APPOINTMENTS

Bingo Chairman	Keith Jordan	913-481-7116
Chief Aide	Ralph Anderton.	913-669-0538
Transportation Coordinator	Joe Hobbs	913-908-9222
Hospital Board – St. Louis	Ed McConwell	913-449-5301
Assoc. Board—St. Louis	Bill Leonard	913-393-5890
Insurance Committee	Abdallah Board of Directors	
	Ed McConwell P.P.	913-449-5301
	Ed Alft	913-488-8310
Investment Committee	Jason Denney	913-706-9097
Legal Counsel	Ed McConwell P. P.	913-262-0605
KSB Board of Directors	Mike Tavares P.P.	
	Tim Williams P.P.	
	Allen Baiamonte	
100 Million Dollar Club	Eldon Masters P.P.	913-236-9878
Masonic Coordinator	Herb Merrick	913-683-3041
Membership Chairman	Earl Genter	913-547-1633
Oasis Club Manager	Benny Harper	913-449-1478
Onion Sales Chairman	Chris Robertson	913-940-8666
Parade Marshal	Erik Kittrel	913-306-3793
Parliamentarian	Leonard Buddenbohm	913-367-5246
PCM Chairman	Eldon Master P.P.	913-927-5197
Playground Editor	Jerry Ogden	816-260-8882
Demo Derby Chairman	Jim Rush	913-481-3559
Shrine Photographer	Wayne Rector	913-669-2473
	Sharon Steele	913-492-4436
Sickness and Distress	Jerry Ogden	816-260-8882

Upcoming Events

March 6th - Birthday Friday 7PM in the Oasis

March 8th - Daylight Savings Begins

March 10th - Chef's Dinner - 6 - 7PM

March 10th - Stated Meeting 7:30PM

March 10th - Bunco 7:30PM

March 14th - Potentate's Ball

March 16th - RedZone Committee - Activity Room 7PM

March 25th - Membership Committee - Oasis 7PM

April 3rd - Birthday Friday 7PM in the Oasis

April 4th - Pancake Breakfast 7-10 AM

April 4th - Healthy Brain Aging Seminar - 10AM

April 10th - Chef's Dinner 6-7PM

April 10th - Stated Meeting 7:30 PM

May the winds of Fortune sail you,

may you sail a gentle sea.

May it always be the other guy

who says, "This drink's on me."



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