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MEMBERSHIP

January 1, 2023	590
Creations	3
Affiliations	0
Restorations	3
Associations	2
Deceased	(15)
Demitted	(2)
Suspended	(1)
Withdrawn	0
Associate Dropped	(0)
Expulsions	0
April 30, 2023	581
Regular members	560

Abdallah Shrine PLAYGROUND

Associate members

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SHRINE OFFICE HOURS

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



In memory:



Neil Johnson Frank Louk Ernest Prewitt John Silkiner Tyler Smith Dennis Taylor

BINGO

Schedule - 2023

May

1 MisFits8 Greeters

15 Clowns/Jokers

22 TASS

29 Escorts

June

21

5 Oriental Band 12 Antique Cars

19 Provost/LoH

26 Blue Racers

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!

\$5 Hamburgers with Fries by the Rodeo Committee

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



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



May 1st

Daniel O Carr John A Harris

May 3rd

Charles H Sloan Jr.

May 4th

David G Allison P.P. Kenneth L Anderson Saif A Damer

May 5th

John D Veatch

May 7th

Ralph B Hufford

Ron C Stewart

May 9th

Thomas M Oliphant

May 10th

L Kent Needham Gregory A White

May 11th

Vernon L Vaubel

May 12th

Chris Rhynerson

May 13th

Charles R Dover

James A Walker

Robert W Wallace Jr.

May 15th

Richard C Craig III

May 16th

Donald D Demmon

May 17th

Mark B Mikulic Christopher A Snell Jeffery H Knodel

May 19th

Robert K Mikulan

May 20th

Winton K Carrel

Steven H Nootz

May 21st

Leonard C Zody

May 22nd

Robert G Blomquist

Brett Loyd

May 23rd

Bob L Lamons

Ronald U Atwell

Jose H Delgadillo

May 24th

Charles S Nichols

May 25th

Michael S Gordon

May 26th

William A Hammer P.P.

Mark Varble

Ronnie L White II

May 28th

David W Miller Jr.

May 30th

Randall L Bennett

May 31st

Derek B Oien





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.

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* 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 & Proceedures

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 lowa, 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 POTENTATE'S MESSAGE

Greetings All,

May is upon us. It seems like we were just in the briskness and cold winds of January and February. Time seems to pass much faster than I wish. We were forewarned the Potentate year would fly by like March and April winds. And true to the prediction, it has.

May has two "M" celebrations – Mother's Day and Memorial Day. Appropriately, the Potentate's theme this month is Mothers & Memorials. In the history of our country, millions of mothers have sent their sons and daughters to serve our country and protect our freedoms set forth by our forefathers. These mothers have let, and even encouraged, their offspring to venture into distant lands not knowing if they would ever return. A selfless act of courage and gratitude could not be more valued.

This month, Abdallah's second Tuesday meeting is an open meeting. Ladies are not only invited but are encouraged to attend. In honor of Mothers and Memorials the Potentate this month will adorn his monologue with 2 very special props. These props I do not own, they are borrowed. Nobles and Ladies will want to attend this special meeting to observe and witness this honorable presentation.

Western wear uniform is encouraged this month as a push to our Western Rodeo and Iron-Rodeo are upon us. Chief Rabban Ronnie White, Lady Barbie and the Rodeo Committee have done an excellent job in planning this year's rodeo events to be held for the first time at the Johnson County Fairgrounds. Yee-ha.

We also are excited about our annual Casino night, followed by a Raffle event on the same night, May 6th. Plan to attend, have fun with the gaming tables; maybe you can win a gift at the raffle. The Crown Royal quilt, graciously made by Barb Hines, will be raffled that evening. May (pun intended) the luck of the Irish be upon you.

This month's schedule also features 3 Kansas City Limits filmed concert events. Although these are not technically Shrine sponsored, they are produced at the Shrine Center and feature local cover bands that are filmed for production on KCMO 62 and 38 The Spot TV channels. Shriners can participate, but must have prior approval of High Priest, Tony Pagel. Abdallah benefits by running a profitable bar business and advertising for our rental space. These events are currently scheduled for May 3RD, 18TH and 30th. Check with Tony Pagel for the event details.

I would like to again thank the Ball Committee for a tremendous 2023 Nobles & Ladies Ball. The décor was great, the food was great and we loved the ice cream dessert. Also, special thank you to 2023 Aides Dennis & Sue Hubler, Sam & Randi Little, Mike & Stephanie Saylor, Roy Samuel & Jackie Phifer. Ill Sir Bennie Smith did a fabulous job as Master of Ceremonies. Thanks to Lady Deb Sullivan for assisting with the Ladies toasting. I've heard several very positive comments about the evening's entertainment from the Instamatics. It was the right genre and the sound quality was superb.

Last, but not the least important, our Legion of Honor holds the annual Memorial Day honor at the Wyandotte County Lake Veteran's Memorial on May 29th at 9am. The alternate site, in case of weather, is Wyandotte Masonic Lodge #3. If you happen to miss the May Open Meeting the Potentate's props could make a final appearance on this day.

Mother's Day and Memorial Day come with reflection and some sadness. Yet, both of these days are exciting and happy days of positive thoughts and celebration. As Shriners and Masons, we have learned to appreciate, honor and respect both Ladies and Veterans. Most importantly, we honor those who served and did not return. It's just being a good citizen. The month of May could not be more representative of our fraternal ties to our honest and true values of family and country.

Make a vow for these values to not become passe or unimportant; but that they shall remain solid, true, persuasive and well-founded throughout eternity. You can do this by supporting both our fraternity and our philanthropy. Thank you, Nobles and Ladies. Your kindness does not go unappreciated.

May there be Peace in Our Time. 2023 Potentate Greg Sippel & Lady Mary Ellen

Chaplain



By Jerry Ogden

"I'm already being poured out like a sacrifice to God, and the time of my death is near. I have fought the good fight, finished the race and kept the faith. At last, the champion's wreath that is awarded for righteousness is waiting for me. The Lord, who is the righteous judge, is going to give it to me on that day. He's giving it not only to me but also to all those who set their heart on waiting for his appearance." 2 Timothy 4:6-8

We all have a faith we embrace in the name of our Creator, the One who gave us life, and later who will bring us back into His Heavenly Kingdom from which we first began. Our time on Earth is whatever time He has planned for us. Nothing we can do will make it any longer.

We must believe we are here for good, in the name of our Creator. He surely has a reason for our lives. In faith, we need to learn what that is. We have many ways to do that, including the many holy scriptures we have known as children. Maybe the best way to know His plan is to simply go quietly and humbly to Him in prayer and listen.

One thing we should all know. Life is a gift from the Lord. We must use these gifts to the fullest. Do you think that the Lord looks upon us as His presence on Earth?

"So God created mankind in His own image, in the image of God He created them; male and female He created them." Genesis 1:27

To repeat, Life is precious and should not be taken for granted.

Amen





By Mickey Mikulan

"THE LAUGH"

JOKER'S will be meeting the following months in 2023: May, July, September, November unless Temple/Unit business requires attention!

Meetings are on the FOURTH Tuesday each month. Come for a visit.

Social Hour starts at 6:00 PM, snack and meeting starts at 6:30 PM.

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!

CHARACTER IS HOW <u>YOU</u>
TREAT SOMEONE
WHO CAN NOT DO ANYTHING TO
HELP ADVANCE
<u>YOU!</u> (UNKNOWN)

"True leadership
must be for the
benefit of the
followers, not
to enrich
the leader."
-John C. Maxwell



Antique and Classic Cars

Happy Mother's Day to the Ladies of our Shrine and our Unit. You deserve the highest recognition possible for all you do. We humbly thank you and vow to make your day special.

The Antique and Classic Cars Unit met in the Oasis May 5th for our monthly meeting. The wounded Camel has struck out Unit and several members are needing your prayers. Mark Mikulic - leg infection, Floyd Fleming – back issues, Sue Anderson and Suzan Peterson both need your support and prayers. We believe that our long lost member, Carl Linck and his beautiful wife will be returning soon, to grace us with their joyous presence. During our meeting, we decided to revisit the World's Greatest Chocolate again to see about selling chocolate in order to sustain our Unit funds for the remainder of 2023. Members said they would step-up and volunteer to help during the June 15-17th Rodeo and Derby at the Gardner, Johnson County Fair Grounds. It's a different set-up, not as much labor as in the past and high expectations for public participation. Besides, it should be fun.

Onions will be delivered and the rush will be on to sell them by our members. Most of us have regular customers and we will also sell them at the Farmers Markets in Olathe. "How sweet it is!"

Jim Smith said the Clowns participated in the World of Wheels at Bartle Hall in March. Allen thought it would be a good idea for our Unit to join them next year as a Shrine participation event and we could display our cars and talk to curious people who stop by our site. Good public relations outreach.

Speaking of outreach, our annual Trunk or Treat has moved the date to Sunday, October 22nd in an effort to not conflict with competing Trunk or Treat functions around town. Ronnie suggested that we put a PSA together and send it to the local School Boards for Distribution; Shawnee Mission Schools, Olathe Schools, Blue Valley Schools, KCK Schools to get the word out. We will also reach out to our various car clubs that members belong to in an effort to provide more trunks for the kids.

Our members are always on the hunt for unique and special cars. That's why we are called "Car Guys." If you like cars/trucks/anything automotive, you need to come and spend time with us. We really aren't so bad, once you get to know us. Our May meeting will be held at the home of Pat and Marilyn Emmett on Wednesday, May 3rd. If you want to come, please call Pat at 913-744-6347. Burgers and Brats will be served; bring a side dish or dessert and your best friend.

Respectfully Submitted, Patrick W. Emmett

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 office for details.





By Mystery Writer

Thanks to Andy and Candy Kling for making arrangements for a wonderful Sunday afternoon at the Olathe Civic Theatre where we saw the set & play, Agatha Christie's 'Murder on the Orient Express'. (Andy made the set.) A large group of Shriners were there. Fun was had by all!

Round Table Discussion: There was good group of the Tin Lizzie giving their insight on a lot of good thought on how to improve our Shrine. Along with many other thoughts, it was a well attended meeting. Lots of good ideas were discussed. Hope you were there. Your ideas are needed. Thanks Ronnie, Barb, and everyone that helped. Remember to wear you Fez and be proud you are a Shriner.

Birthday Friday: Nice crowd and lots of fun. Congratulation to Jerry Horseman on his 90th birthday. Looking good, Jerry!. Hope to see you all next Month May 5th.

The Potentate Ball, was great. If you did not attend you missed a great evening of fun, food, and dancing. Congratulation to Lady Mary Ellen and Potentate Greg.

Don't miss Casino Night May 6th - it is a fun evening.

Happy Birthday to the following for the Month of May:

Naomi Goodnight

5-20

Jeanie Horseman

5-27

Happy Anniversary to the following for the Month of

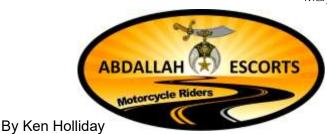
May:

Eric and Barbara Foster

5-20

Middle age is when you choose your cereal for the fiber, not the toy.

DON'T LET ANYONE
WHO HASN'T BEEN
IN YOUR SHOES
TELL YOU
HOW TO TIE YOUR
LACES.



Everyone is excited for our golf tournament on August 26th. This year we have a food truck that specializes in Tenderloins. Ralph Anderton, Jeff Johnson and I went out to taste test, and we were overwhelmed by its size and flavor. You don't want to miss this. As always this is a fund raiser, and we appreciate all that would be hole sponsors. 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 come out.

I hope you were at the Potentate's Ball on April 15th. If not, you missed a wonderful tribute and a great time that was had by all.

We had our first dinner ride of the season. We went to F325 BBQ in North KC,MO. The food was great but the company was better.

Don't miss the Casino night on May 6th. This is always a fun event and another reason to get together with everyone.

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.

A woman walked into the kitchen to find her husband stalking around with a fly swatter. "What are you doing?" she asked.

"Hunting flies," he replied.

"Oh, killed any?" she said.

"Yep, 3 males, 2 females," came
the answer.

Intrigued, the wife asked, "How can you tell them apart?"
Husband: "3 were on a beer can, 2 were on the phone."



Provost Guard Rob Swecker

The Provost is actively preparing to compete at this year's CSSA events in Omaha, consisting of 3 pistol events and 2 shotgun events. There will also be a banquet on Friday evening.

Thank you to the Provost members that showed up to work Bingo April 3rd; we had a good representation of members

The Provost provided security for KC City Limits, a new event at Abdallah that features local bands. It is growing in popularity. It's a free (for now) event open to the public.

April 15th the American Legion post 370 will host a sporting clay shooting event, \$60 per person.

Members voted to wear our Fez at our monthly meeting, allowing us to get back to tradition.

Members voted to sponsor a hole for the Shriners Children golf event.

The Temple could use help raising the patio tent on May 13 at Noon.



The Abdallah Social Society held it's April meeting on the 27th. Thanks to Stuart and Jerry for providing the food and Harper for setting the bar as always. It was decided to sponsor a table for the upcoming Casino Night to go along with our other Rodeo & Derby sponsorships.

The A.S.S. Degree has been rescheduled for May 13th and there will be a rehearsal of the A.S.S. degree team on May 7th. Preparations for our Annual Shriners Hospitals for Children Charity Golf Event are well under way with only a few opening left for teams. The event is June 26th and if you can help out that day please let Kevin Larson know.

Our next meeting is May 25th with Social starting at 5pm, food around 6:30 followed by a short meeting at 7. All Nobles are welcome to attend our meeting to see what the club is all about.





Quotes by Albert Einstein

- 1. "The only source of knowledge is the experience."
- 2. "Learn from yesterday, live for today and hope for tomorrow."
- 3. "Anyone who has never made a mistake has never tried anything new."
- 4. The difference between genius and stupidity is that genius has its limits."
- Try not to become a man of success, but rather try to become a man of value."
- 6. "Insanity: doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results."
- 7. "Two things are infinite: the universe and human stupidity; and I am not sure about the universe."
- 8. "I never think of the future. It comes soon enough."
- "Whoever is careless with the truth in small matters cannot be trusted with important matters."
- "Peace cannot be kept by force. It can only be achieved by understanding."
- 11. "If you can't explain it simply, you don't understand it well enough."

LEGACY

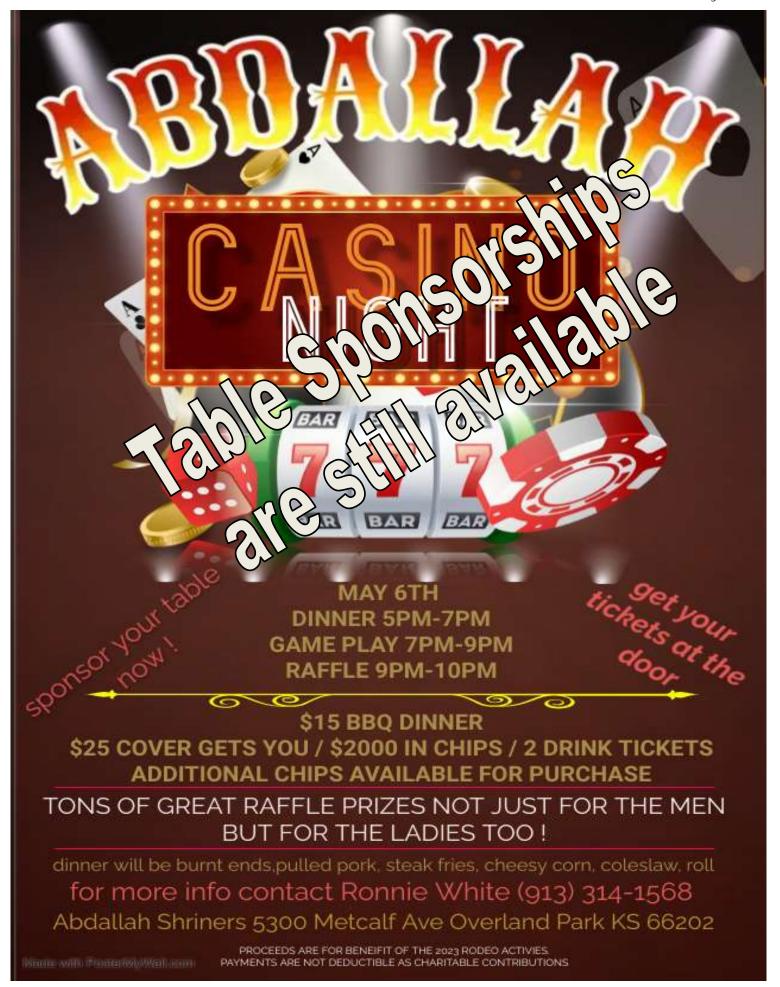
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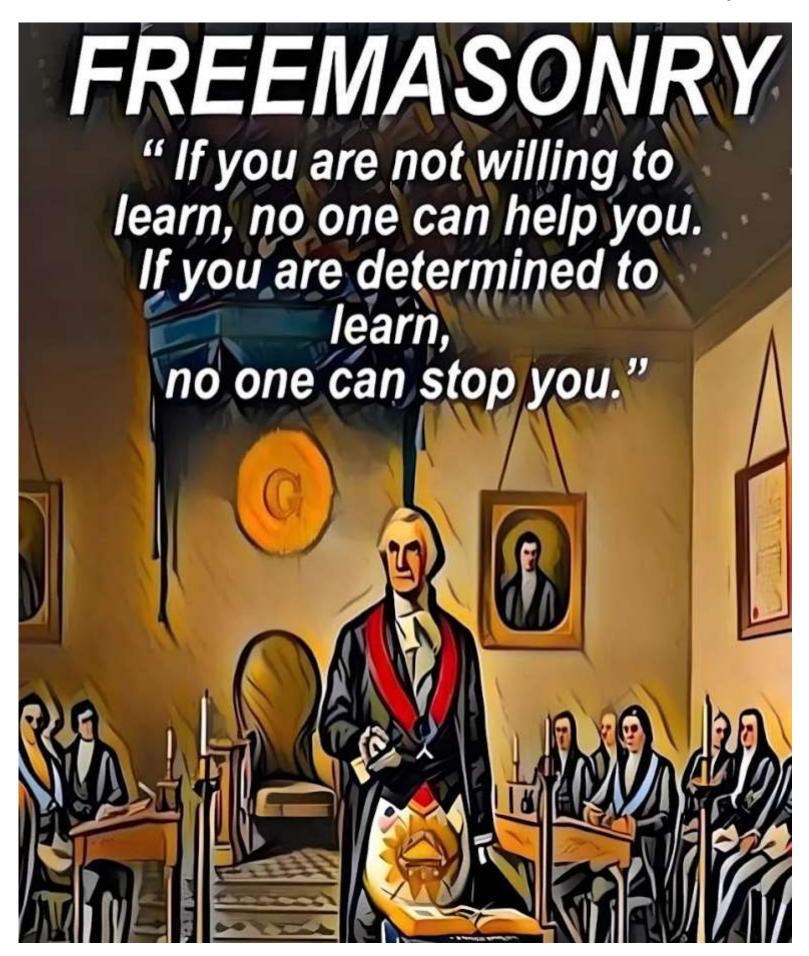


Legacy Program

Pass along the Shriners tradition in your family - develop a legacy. Shriners International will continue to grow from one generation to the next when you share the tradition and join the Shriners Legacy program. By joining the program, you will show your pride in being a Shriner and benefit from the camaraderie and brotherhood that is such a a large part of the program. You qualify as a legacy if one of the following is a Shriner at any Temple: Brother, Brother In Law; Step Brother; Father; Son; Step Son; Father in Law; Son in Law; Grandfather; Grandson; Grandfather in Law; Great Grand Father; Great Grandson; Cousin; Uncle; Nephew; Grand Nephew;. If you think you are a legacy contact the Shrine office by email with the name(s) of your legacy and their temple name and we'll make the connection.

To help promote the program, any new Shriners legacy is eligible to receive a free pin for himself and up to two of his Shrine legacies. To recognize nobles who became Shriners legacies prior to January 1, 2012, we thank you for continuing the tradition and encourage you to become part of our Shriners Legacy Program. You can order a legacy pin and certificate for you and your legacies for a contribution* of \$5 or more per pin.







Player Information

13th Annual **Golf Tournament**

Four Man Scramble Saturday, August 26th, 2023 6am Registration • 7:30 am Shotgun

☐ Individual \$80 ☐ 4 Player Team \$300

Painted Hills Golf Course, 7101 Parallel Parkway, Kansas City, KS 66112 Registration deadline August 12th, 2023 Tournament is open to anyone

Team Captain	
Email	Phone
Player 2	
Player 3	
Player 4	
Text or call Ralph Anderton	at 913-669-0538 to reserve your spot today
	and B flights, and prize for longest drive, longest putt Iulligans available for purchase prior to tee off.
	Sponsorships
	ailable. If interested, please check type of sponsorship de artwork and payment with registration.
	4-Player Team • Includes Two Hole Sponsorships
	out Players - Includes Two Hole Sponsorships
S150 - Hole Sponsorship • Hole	Sign With Sponsor Logo
Please print company name as y	you would like it to appear on Hole Sign and attach logo
Company Name	Contact Name
Email	Phone

To save your spot now, please text or call Ralph Anderton at 913-669-0538 Thank You for Your Support

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

Sports Memorabilia Silent Auction

Colorado Carayan July 29 – August 4, 2023

This year's Potentate's Trip begins with a road trip (just one hour North of Denver or you can fly) to Fort Collins, CO, where we will stay in a full-service Fort Collins Marriott that has free parking, allows pets, outdoor pool, and has no food \$\$\$ requirement. The hotel offers made to order breakfast and full-service restaurant and a bar. Dine at the hotel or visit the many local establishments. No Travel Agent expense this year. Our hotel is approximately \$251 per night. (13.55% taxes) Fort Collins is the center of Colorado fun activities:

Cheyenne, WY, Rodeo & Country Music, July 24-30, One Hour Drive Rocky Mountain National Park - Six Hour Scenic Drive Around -Estes Park Scenic Tour -

Base Camp - Fort Collins - Home of Daily Craft Beer Tours Live Music all the Time - Downtown Fort Collins White Water Rafting, Hiking, Mountain Climbing, Photography Estes Park, Wildlife everywhere!



Make your own reservations using your credit card. Call 1-800-228-9290 to reserve your room.

Close KOA camping facilities approx. \$115 per night.

The Rodeo Queen Poise & Personality Dinner is June 3rd Tickets are \$15.00



Thank You

to the Units & Clubs who have stepped up to be sponsors of this year's Rodeo & Demo Derby

The Tin Lizzies	\$2600
The Escorts	\$2000
The Lizzietts	\$500
Escort Ladies	\$500
MisFits	\$550
Abdallah Social Society	\$475
Provost	\$250
Franklin Co. Shrine Club	\$250
Chef de Shriners	\$250
Cabiri Chapter 145	\$150

If your group is not listed we don't have your check yet!

15 JUL

ABDALLAH 2023 PLAYERS

7 _{PM}

Players

Jordan Allen

Camden Beebe

Joel Deppe

Mikey Bergeron

Dylan Birge

Jacob Bittner

Eric Butler

Levi Cooley

Spencer Doan

Kale Hammerschmidt

Jase Hovey

Thomas Ippolito

Mason McGavran

Malik O'atis

Joshua Parrish

Brett Sawaya

Jamale Williams

Coaches/Staff

Clint Rider (Head Coach)

Lorne Clark

Tim Williams

School

Olathe South

Piper

Blue Valley Northwest

Mill Valley

Olathe West

Saint Thomas Aquinas

Olathe Northwest

Basehor-Linwood

Lawrence Free State

Eudora

Louisburg

Blue Valley Southwest

Olathe West

Shawnee Mission Northwest

Olathe North

Blue Valley Southwest

Lansing

School

Blue Valley Northwest

Olathe Northwest

Abdallah Shrine

Sponsorships are \$500/participant (and can be split with others)

Contact the office (913-362-5300) for the lastest available sponsorships

EAST vs WEST



Join us as we honor our 2023 Participants and celebrate 50 years of the Kansas Shrine Bowl! This casual, birthday-themed party, will feature entertainment, presentations, food, special guests, and whole lot of FUN!

FRIDAY, JULY 14th, 2023

5:30 PM - Doors Open
5:30 PM - 6:20 PM - Dinner Buffet/Meet & Greet Patient Ambassadors
6:20 PM - Participant Parade
6:40 PM - 8:00 PM - Kansas Shrine Bowl Birthday Carnival
8:00 PM - Participant Presentations/Awards

FHSU Memorial Union, Fort Hays State University

600 Park St.

Hays, KS 67601

\$35.00 Per Person, regardless of age or
\$100.00 for banquet sponsorship

All Shrine Bowl participants receive a ticket. Family and friends must purchase tickets by Friday, June 30th. Tickets are \$35/per person and only available through pre-sale. No tickets can be purchased following the June 30th deadline. MUST have a ticket to attend.

Banquet tickets are available at www.KansasShrineBowl.com/Banquet. Once tickets go on sale, you may order individual tickets or a meal sponsorship. A Meal Sponsorship is only \$100 and include 2 event tickets, recognition in the official gameday program, and is a great way to help us cover the cost of a meal for our participants.

Call 913-602-8656 or email assistant@kansasshrinebowl.com for questions.

All tickets must be purchased prior to June 30, 2023.

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Proceeds benefit the Kansas Shrine Bowl
Payments are not deductible as charitable contributions

Win this hand made quilt!

The quilt was hand made and donated by Barb Hines as an additional fund raiser for the 2023 Rodeo & Demo Derby featuring Crown Royal bags. Tickets are on sale at \$5 each, or 3 for \$10. That's *B2G1* and it will be given away at the Casio Night. Tickets are available in the Shrine Office, several of the Divan members and Rodeo Committee Members as well as from Barb herself. Get yours before they're all gone! We'll have it on display at the Stated meetings and of course at the Casino Night.





Shriners Hospitals Charity Golf Event Benefiting Shriners Hospitals for Children



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Falcon Ridge Golf Club • Monday, June 26, 2023

20200 Prairie Star Parkway, Lenexa, KS 66220, 913-393-4653 NOON Shotgun Start • Four Man Scramble

Please arrive by 11 AM for event check in. Entry fee \$150 per golfer includes golf and cart, gift bag with commemorative vacuum insulated tumbler, ball cap, balls and tees, beer, soft drinks and box lunch. Followed by an awards dinner and a great silent auction! See AbdallahGolf.com for the latest details. Registration deadline June 12, 2023.

Course dress code, no Blue Jean pants or Blue Jean shorts allowed.

Registration Form

Check AbdallahGolf.com for all payment options. Please make checks payable to "Abdallah SHC Golf" Mail payment and registration to: Abdallah SHC Golf, % Kevin Larson, 12453 S. Ellsworth, Olathe, KS 66062 You may also attach & email: abdallahshrinersgolf@gmail.com or call Kevin Larson at 913-787-7308

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For more information, please check these websites: Shriners International at <u>shrinersinternational.org</u> and Shriners Hospitals for Children at <u>shrinershospitalsforchildren.org</u>

May 2023 ABDALLAH PLAYGROUND



The Abdallah Social Society presents All-Shriners Social Society Degree

Come and Discover the True Meaning of the Three F's



When:

Saturday, May 13, 2023

Time:

5:30 pm Registration

& Social

6:30 pm The Fun Begins

Where:

Abdallah Shrine

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Cost:

\$20

Includes an open bar, hors d'oeuvres and all the FUN!

Please Bring your own Cigars

The Abdallah Social Society is a Club whose members are Nobles in good standing of Shriners International. At our meetings we enjoy the social interaction with our brother Nobles along with fine Spirts and good Cigars. We have members who smoke but don't drink, drink but don't smoke and of course those who indulge in both.

We are dedicated to having Fun!

Any proceeds benefit the Abdallah Social Society Club activities. Any payments are not deductible as charitable contributions.

El Ma'at Temple No. 120, Daughters of the Nile held their annual Installation of Officers on Sunday, April 2, 2023, at the Northeast Kansas Masonic Center in Prairie Village with 34 members present. They were delighted to have Illustrious Sir Greg Sippel, Potentate, bring greetings and to have several additional Abdallah Shriners in attendance.

The 2023 officers are: Her Majesty the Queen – Virginia Rawlings; Junior Past Queen - Pattie A. Underwood, PQ; Princess Royal – Genie Wilcox; Princess Tirzah – Cindy Wise; Princess Badoura – Mary Keffer; Princess Recorder – Grace Sexton; Princess Banker – Susan McGinnis, PQ; Princess Marshal – Margi Underwood, PQ; Princess Chaplain – Marcia Rice, PQ; Lady of the Keys – Ruby Barclay; Lady of the Gates – Jane Withers; Princess Nydia – Ronda Theroff; Princess Zuleika – Sue Ayres-May; Princess Zora – Jan Grassi; Princess Zuliema – Narena Vest; and Attendants Pat White and Rebecca Reynolds. Our current Supreme appointees are Affiliated Queen Patsy Groom, Supreme Goodwill Ambassador to the Central Area and PQ Sharon Steele, Supreme Escort to the Flag of the United States of America.

Daughters of the Nile is an international fraternal organization comprised of women 18 years of age or older, related by birth or marriage to a Shriner, Master Mason, or a Daughter of the Nile; a majority member in good standing of a Masonic related organization for girls, or a former patient at a Shriners Hospitals for Children™ (with or without a Masonic relationship). Founded in Seattle, Washington in 1913, Daughters of the Nile members total over 17,800 in 131 cities throughout the United States, Canada, and Brazil. The Daughters of the Nile contribute monetary donations of around \$2 million annually to Shriners Hospitals for Children™ through our Foundation and Trust. Since 1924, we have contributed over \$70 million, second only to the Shriners themselves. Each year our members give generously of their time and talents by providing more than 180,000 hours of volunteer time at the hospitals. In addition, they sew clothing, guilts, and special projects requested by the hospitals, provide books, toys, games, and other educational/recreational materials, and sponsor parties for patients and their families each month. The annual val-

Locally, the El Ma'at Temple was founded in May 1957 and is currently comprised of 72 members. During the past year the Temple membership contributed over thirteen-hundred dollars and 146 hours in sewing. The Temple is named for an ancient Egyptian goddess who was the personification of truth, justice and the cosmic order.

ue of these hours and donated items is in excess of another \$1

million annually.

"The Daughters of the Nile strives to be a respected and growing leader among women throughout the world in promoting friendship, character building, intellectual benefit, and service to others." For More Information visit www.daughtersofthenile.com or contact a member.









CSSA 2023





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. Three 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.

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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 2nd & 4th 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!

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For breakfast RSVP to:

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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!

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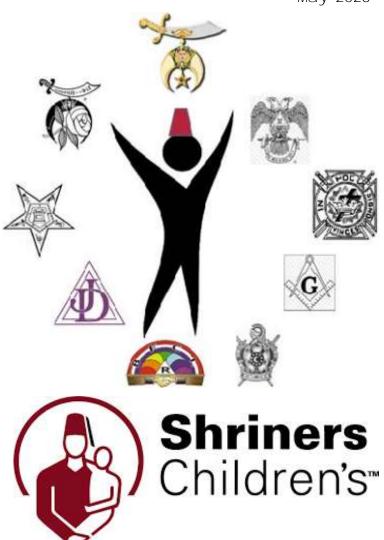
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Don't forget to write an Article the PLAYGROUND.

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

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Upcoming Events

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New hours are

10AM - 4PM Monday, Tuesday & Thursday

10AM to 2PM on Wednesday & Closed on Friday.

Open until 7:00pm on Stated Meeting Nights

May 5th—Birthday Friday
May 6th—Casino Night
May 9th—OPEN Meeting
May 13th—A.S.S. Degree
May 14th—Mother's Day
May 15th –Red Zone Meeting
May 25th—Membership Meeting
May 29th—Memorial Day
June 2nd—Birthday Friday
June 3rd—Rodeo Queen Dinner
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