

March 2020

Minaret



Utah Shriners

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*St. Patrick's Day Parade
March 14!*



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2000 Kelly A. Hansel		2018 Paul Madsen

March Birthdays

Vincent D Androwsky	03/01	Scott H Andersen	03/15	Harold D Adams	03/25
Jeff Hamilton	03/01	Stephen Sawyer	03/16	Stephen H Peterson	03/25
John L Elwell Jr/Pgm	03/03	J Guy Johnson	03/17	I E Overfelt	03/26
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Larry H Beaslin	03/12	Michael J Hanson	03/24	Greg G Brown	03/31
		James B Johnston	03/25		

Deaths

Melvin R. Walker, January 16, 1927 ~ February 31, 2020

Rest in Peace

New Members

Henry Becker, Worshipful Master of Uintah #7

Welcome New Members!

From the Potentate



Nobles,

Thanks to all the nobles we had at our February meeting. The budget was approved, and Noble Danny Drew did a great presentation. Our first parade will be March 14th St. Paddy's please come out for it. We will be fezing the grand master at our March meeting which is on the 18th there will be prizes as well. Winter is almost over and we can look forward to spring and summer the divan has a lot of fun stuff planned. Once again if you have any ideas for the shrine please email me at limbo1988@comcast.net.

See all at our next meeting.

John Limb, Potentate

From the Chief Rabban



Greetings All!

Thanks to everyone who has come out to support the Business meetings so far this year. The next meeting in March and I have a friend that will be coming up to do an educational on Gratitude. I know I for one need to be reminded that I need to learn how to give and receive gratitude. So, make sure that, if you are able come, support your temple and listen to a great educational.

One of Illustrious John Limb's goals this year is to bring in a minimum of 25 new Nobles into our temple. We will need your help to get this done. Please talk to your brothers and friends and let's make this happen.

Thanks again for all you do and let us know if you need anything.

Jeremy Estes, Chief Rabban

From the Assistant Rabban



Fellow Nobles and significant others.

January has been a busy month for me, so allow me to apologize for the brief article this month. But I would like to inform you that your Divan is working hard to plan this year's events and activities, along with continued efforts to work on a five-year plan. We implore all Nobles to become involved this year and come out to the parades, meetings and gatherings that are in store. St. Patrick's Day is fast approaching and we all know the parade goes off rain or shine, we look forward to seeing everyone there. If you're not a member of a parade unit, there is plenty of room for everyone to ride/walk and represent. Let's get the Fez out there and be seen.

I would like to say how driven I am to get our Temple back to the membership and activity level of yesteryear. My lady, Tiphonie, and I have been delving into old photos and awards in Shrine storage rooms and it is amazing what we used to be...and can once again be. Please join us in obtaining Illustrious Potentate Limbs goal of every Noble brings one new candidate this year.

Sincerely and Fraternally

Michael "BOOTZ" Clark, Assistant Rabban

St. Patrick's Day Events

- March 14 -

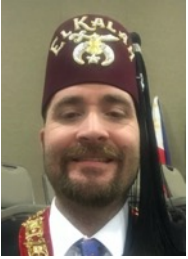
7:30am Breakfast, Salt Lake Masonic Temple

10:00am, Parade, Galavan Center

After Parade Lunch, Salt Lake Masonic Temple

Parade Marshall, Brian Gorum, 435-828-1557

From the High Priest & prophet



First, we are freemasons!

Next, Shriners are a brotherhood of men, committed to family, engaged in ongoing personal growth, and dedicated to providing care for children and families in need! Potentate John Limb top priority for this year is to unite El Kalah! He will do this: Through fun family activities; Through fun activities for the nobles; And through well run business meetings with quality educational presentations.

Potentate John Limb along with the new Divan will follow the Grand Lodges direction and develop a five-year plan. Examples of a masonic 5-year plan can be seen not only at the Utah Grand Lodge level but at most successful Blue Lodges in Utah. The 5-year plan includes continually doing the same activities every year where we can enjoy and improve brotherly love and friendship with the nobility. We also will increase family activities because family activities only increase brotherly love and friendship between each other as well as builds bond that helps as we do parades during the summer.

We will be participating in parades when we can put El Kalah and Utah Freemasonry in front of as many people as possible. For example, part of our 5-year plan is to start doing the largest 4th of July Parade in the United States at the Freedom Festival in Provo. This will not only increase the visibility of El Kalah but Utah Freemasonry in general.

To ensure that our 5-year plan works, we must follow the example and the direction of the Grand Lodge of Utah in Blue Lodges instruction. Our hope is that our 5-year plan will create unity among the Nobility and increase membership.

Daniel Drew, High Priest & Prophet

From the Clown Corner



Dear Friends,

We had our potluck dinner at Lynn and Robyn Larsen's and promptly conducted a food fight, no declared winner though, but we held off on the pie throwing contest, it was actually eaten by some of us Clowns. We have our Shenanigans prepared for the St Patrick's Day Parade, you better wear green or prepare to be made black and blue. Our next pot luck meeting will be at the Professor and Eddy's place 1421 West 6235 South RSVP to brotherblake7@gmail.com, or ecfauver@q.com or 801-850-2434 or 801-266-0315 on April 19th

at PM, bring your side or desert if you plan to attend.

Blake "Doc Stitches" Hansen, Secretary

Whence Came You?



“From a lodge of the Holy Saints John at Jerusalem.” What does that cryptic sentence mean to me? How significant is it that those words start the process of opening a lodge? Here is my interpretation: we come from GOD and we participate in creating the world. Masonry is deeply astronomical. The Holy Saints John represent the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn. They frame the Milky Way, or Mill Way from where all souls were thought to come from and then return to. The Egyptians symbolized these concepts

by the Night Goddess Nut. This is why the North is “a place of darkness.”

The ancients believed that souls are portions of GOD’s consciousness (i.e. the Mahabbarata). They descended through Cancer and ascended Capricorn. Pythagoras learned these concepts in Egypt. Plato wrote about them extensively. They are hidden in Greek mythology, like the myth of ER. The image of a churning Mill was used by the ancients as the process of Creation. It took place by two forces, Strength and Wisdom, represented by King Salomon (the Worshipful Master) and King Hyram (the Senior Warden.) This is why these two officers open the lodge (create) with the Square and the Compasses. Notice they are represented by two intertwined snakes.



The Junior Warden (Hiram Abiff) executes their orders. We, common men, ultimately are responsible for the reality we create in our lives. The JW’s instrument is the Plumb line. Mythology represents the (JW) as a creator: Hamlet, Thoth, Mercury, Quetzalcoatl, Gilgamesh, the Minotaur, etc. They use the Caduceus, that is two intertwined serpents around a staff (Balance, Harmony) and a Plumb line. Notice the faces of the Aztec god of



Harmony and Gilgamesh. They are made up of snakes.

Gilgamesh’s face depicts the snakes as a labyrinth, which is more elaborate in the Greek myth of the Minotaur.



The slaying hero Theseus finds his way out of the maze by following a Caduceus-like path with the help of a woman, Ariadne. This is yet another example of Balance, Harmony.



But the ultimate lesson of Creation is this: we must overcome our ego, our carnal nature (the Minotaur) in order to create our world using spiritual power, Strength and Wisdom. This is why the next lines in opening of the lodge reminds us we have come “to learn to subdue our passions and improve myself in Masonry.” I hope we keep the opening of a lodge firmly in our minds as we interact with our brethren and the world at large.

From the Chaplain



Dear Nobles;

First, I want to thank those Nobles who attended the El Kalah Shriners Memorial Service Sunday, 12 January. Although attendance was extremely minimal, I think it made a lasting impression on the minds of those who were there and will help remind them in the future of those Nobles and Brothers who have departed this Earth. I apologize that there was not due and timely notice given and I will ensure we have better notification and communications of such events in the future.

Speaking of communications – have you checked out our El Kalah Shriners website lately? Go to elkalahshriners.org. Much information such as recent versions of the Minaret can be viewed there, and so can the calendar of events (if I am notified of them so I can post them in the calendar). The site can also be viewed using your smart phone (if you have one) and this can be quite convenient, although it is a bit of an eye test and not nearly as easy to use as a computer monitor/screen! If you have questions, suggestions, or gripes (tell those to Ill. Potentate John), let me know and we'll see what can be done. We had another superb monthly meeting in February. It was well attended, a lot of information was provided, we observed a Black Camel in honor of Ill. Past Potentate Mel Walker, and I believe everyone came away pleased with the results. I hope we see all of you at the March meeting (March 18th, Divan and Finance at 6:00 PM. Business Meeting following).

Disclaimer: All my humorous (I hope) anecdotes are shamelessly plagiarized (stolen) from other sources. I claim no originality or creative genius! Only I am in jeopardy of time in the crossbar hotel! On a less serious note:

- *An old man was sitting on a bench in the mall when a teen with spiked hair came over and sat down beside him. The boy's hair was yellow, green, orange and purple, and he had black makeup around his eyes. The old man just stared at him. Finally, the boy said, "What's the matter, old man? Haven't you even done anything wild in your life?" The old man replied waggishly, "Actually, I was just recalling the time I got drunk and fell madly in love with a parrot while on leave. I was wondering if you could be my son."*
- *The graveside service had just ended when there came a clap of thunder, followed by a lightning strike and more thunder. The old man looked at the preacher and calmly said, "Well, she's there."*
- *"A new Facebook app is coming out that will remind users exactly what they were doing a year ago from that day. Nine times out of 10 the answer will be 'wasting your time on Facebook.'" Conan O'Brien*

See you all really soon, I hope!

Chuck Warren, Chaplain

From the Recorder



Greetings and Happy St Patrick's Day to all El Kalah Nobles and Friends!

Without a 2020 sticker, you cannot participate in any El Kalah activities. Please call the Office to make arrangements to get paid up if you have not already done so. By directive in General Order #1, we are required to distribute each year to each Noble, Imperial Guidance on important, key topics such as HIPPA, Fund Raising and Elections. This month is more on FUNDRAISING. Regard **Fundraising** from G.O. #1: "Your specific attention is called to the

following fraternal and charitable bylaws:

§335.3 Use of Name "Shriners Hospitals for Children." The use of the name "Shriners Hospitals for Children" or reference to the Hospitals in connection with any fundraising activity by a temple or Noble without the written consent of the Imperial Potentate and the chairman of the board of trustees of the Hospitals is prohibited.

§503.11 Commercial Use of Name. The use of the name "Shriners Hospitals for Children" or reference to the hospitals in connection with any commercial product or business enterprise is prohibited unless the written consent of the boards of directors and trustees has been first obtained. **"Now, therefore, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:**

Fundraising for Fraternal Purposes: (a) No Noble (in his capacity as a Shriner), club, unit, organization of Nobles or affiliated or appendant corporations, shall engage in any fundraising activity without the express written consent of the Potentate of the temple having jurisdiction thereof. (b) There can be no representation, express or implied, that the proceeds will be for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children. (c) The temple Potentate shall carefully examine all phases of the advertising, promotion and solicitation to determine that it complies with §335.3 and §503.11 of the fraternal and charitable bylaws and that there is no representation, expressed or implied, that would lead a reasonably prudent person to believe that the proceeds will be for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children. If the Potentate is in doubt, he must receive the opinion of the Imperial Potentate who, after consultation with the Director of Temple Accounting, shall make the final determination. (d) The temple Potentate must approve the terms and provisions of any contract for a fundraising activity after receiving the advice of the temple attorney, and, additionally, as may be required by the temple bylaws. (e) A copy of the temple Potentate's written consent shall be mailed to the Executive Vice President, Shriners International. Further, such written material pertaining to the fundraising activity, as requested by the Executive Vice President, Shriners International, shall be promptly mailed to him."

This extract was taken from the section on Fundraising in G.O.#1 with more to follow in coming months.

Al Hokins, Recorder

From Daughters of the Nile



Nile Sisters,

The month of March is already upon us, and what a busy month it is! To begin, we have the St Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, March 14th. Anyone interested in participating in the parade be at the SLC Masonic Temple at 7:30 a.m. The Jobies will be selling breakfast tacos and hot beverages. If you just want to watch the Parade, come on down! It ends at the Galavan Center. It's a short parade route, but it's always fun! Our Stated Session is Thursday, March 19th at 7:00 p.m. We will have election of new officers. On Saturday, March 28th at 2:00 p.m. is the Installation of Officers which kicks off a new Nile Year.

Don't forget to make someone Smile!

Sylvia Hokins, Queen, Lybia Temple #32

From Ladies Oriental Shrine



Hello Nobles and Ladies,

It is with heavy heart that I'm writing this article. As you may or may not know, Our High Priestess, Lady Karen Humphreys passed away on February 10, 2020. Lady Karen was an amazing woman; she saw more than any sighted person has ever seen. It was inspiring as to what she could accomplish. It's comforting to know that she is seeing all the colors of the world. She taught us that you can do whatever you put your mind to. Nothing is standing in your way, except you. Her laughter and good nature will be greatly missed.

Save the date: April 25, 2020 for the seventy third installation of officers. Hope to see you all there.

Be kind to one another.

Lady Julieann Chapman, High Priestess Elect, Iris Ct #47

Shrine Family Calendar of Events

March 3 6:00pm Cabiri Annual meeting, Red Lobster Restaurant, 298 E Winchester St., Salt Lake City. Jerry Everett, PP 801-721-8372

March 5 6:30pm Ogden LOS Club, University Broiler and Grill, 4342 Harrison Blvd., Ogden. Rachel Sweet 801-791-8360

March 12 6:30pm Ogden Nile Club, Hug-Hes Café 1220 48th St. South Ogden. Aline Smith 801-737-0735

March 14 10:00am St. Patrick's Day Parade, Gallivan Center 239 S Main St., Salt Lake City. Bryan Gorum 435-828-1557

March **18** 6:00pm El Kalah Divan meeting, Salt Lake Masonic Temple, 650 E South Temple, Salt Lake City. Al Hokins 214-244-9686

March 18 7:30pm El Kalah business meeting, Salt Lake Masonic Temple, 650 E South Temple, Salt Lake City. Al Hokins 214-244-9686

March 19 6:00pm Nile business meeting and elections, Salt Lake Masonic Temple, 650 E South Temple, Salt Lake City. Sylvia Hokins 801-294-2449

March 26 7:00pm Ladies Oriental Shrine court meeting, Ogden Masonic Temple, 20th St. and Harrison Ave, Ogden. Karen Humphries 801-564-2132

Send calendar updates to jsweetinogden2@yahoo.com

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Job's Daughters International

••• **St. Patrick's Day** •••
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