

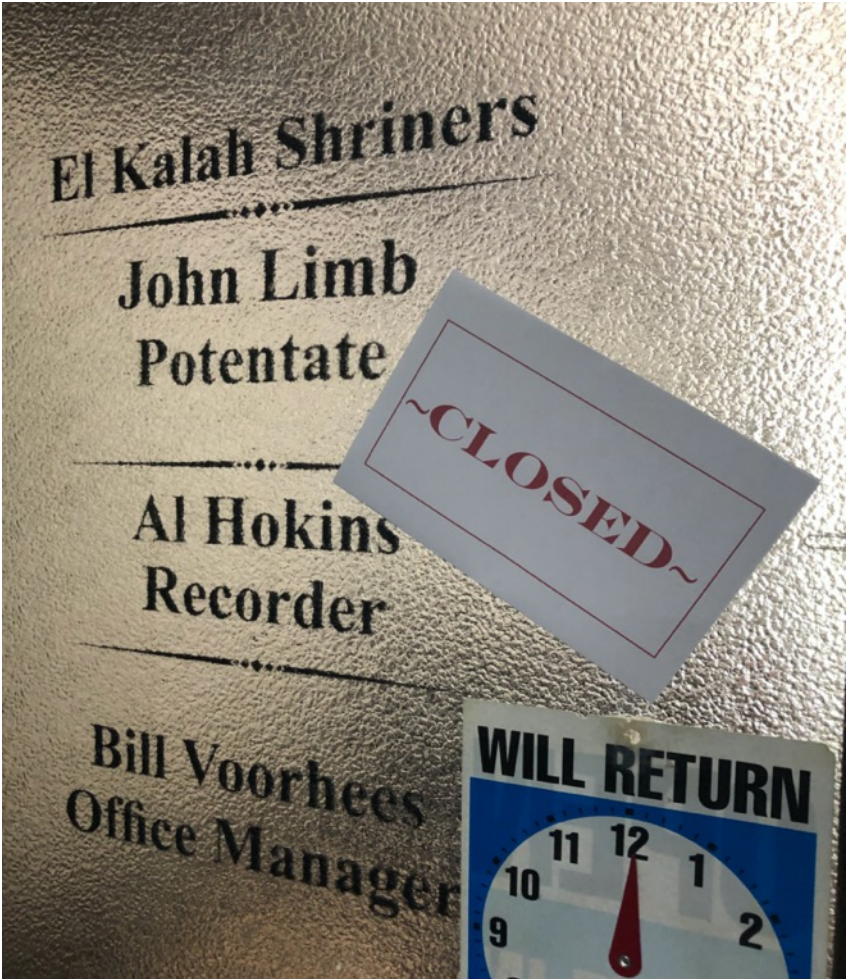
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Alfred L Glaeser	6/1	Eugene L Rose	06/10	Dean D Rein PGM	06/24
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Wendell M Hunt	6/9	Carl E Fauver	06/23	Randy T Martin	06/30
		Frank C Baker PGM	06/24		

Deaths

Philip F. Gee July 3, 1929 ~ May 10, 2020
Tommy W. Tucker August 9, 1935 ~ May 19, 2020

Rest in Peace

New Members

YOUR LODGE BROTHER'S NAME SHOULD BE HERE!

Welcome New Members!

From the Potentate



Nobles,

I want to thank the 26 officers and nobles who attended our May zoom meeting. We do not have anything planned for the month of June; however, we are planning a barbeque in Ogden in July or August. We will send an email and letter if we are able to have it with the date and time. I received a message from Ill Dave Edwards that Manila has not yet been canceled. We will let you know if we get any news about it. We will not be doing the July 24th parade in Ogden this year.

I hope you are all safe and doing well.

John Limb, Potentate

From the Chief Rabban



Nobles and Brothers,

I hope everyone is doing well with the COVID 19. If you need anything, please reach out to us and we will see what we can do to help.

We would like to thank everyone that was able to get on the first Zoom Shrine meeting that we had last month. It was nice to see you all. If we must do it again, I hope we can see more of you on there.

We are looking into the possibility of another unit, The Tap Room it will be a group of nobles that get together at a local brewery and have a tour and dinner. It will be a good time to get together as families and have a social gathering. The other thing that goes along with that is we will meet with the lodges close to that location and invite them to go with us. This could be a good recruiting tool for the Shrine. If you are interested in helping on this, please reach out to me and we will have a get together to get this thing rolling (801) 372-0296.

Again, I hope everyone is safe!

Jeremy Estes, Chief Rabban

From the Assistant Rabban



Fellow Nobles and Significant Others,

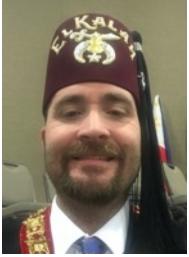
We are now halfway through 2020, is everyone as ready as I am to hit the reset button or try unplugging the calendar, wait 30 seconds and plug it back in? I hope everyone is chomping at the bit as much as I am to get back to doing what we know...parades, fundraisers, trips and just being around friends. As I write this my Lady, Tiphanie and I just got back from a weekend away to Moab with Noble Merrick on the motorcycles. The nice thing about riding a bike...and not being able to talk to the wife, is it gives you A LOT of time to think. I have so many ideas and made some new connections on this trip that will benefit the Temple. Putting them in writing and putting them into the planning stages is the easy part but finding and locking down a date at this time of uncertainty is the hard part. Rest assured as soon as we are given the green light...it will be a game on competition to see what functions happen. The good part is we have enough function and event ideas in the bucket, that those that are not done this year can be done next year.

Speaking of motorcycles, El Kalah received the donation of a 2011 Harley Davidson motorcycle for use in parades and other PR events. The bike had set for 5 years and many Nobles generously stepped up and donated a total of \$1089 to pay for the service work on the bike. It is now going for the donation of LED accent lighting and the next stop will be decal work for the Shriner and Hospital logo and El Kalah name.

Nobles please keep your head's high in this time of uncertainty of what tomorrow may bring and remember to check on your friends, family, fellow Nobles and remember those that we have lost in the past few months.

Michael "BOOTZ" Clark, Assistant Rabban

From the High Priest & prophet



Greetings All!

As we just past Memorial Day, we celebrated those who served, those who have past and our family members. Being the oldest of eight children growing up (7 boys, 1 girl) family is extremely important to me. There are two reasons my family was so big, one I am a twin, and secondly, my parents always wanted a second girl, they just ended up having 4 more boys after my sister.

For myself, Memorial Day weekend is a weekend where my adult siblings and our families get together to celebrate our loved ones who have past. Grandfathers on both sides of our family served in the US military. Grandmothers on both sides of our family loved their children and grandchildren with every fiber of their being. Memorial weekend we remembered them.

Memorial weekend also marks the start of summer. Summer usually is the time where my family is able to see each other even more as we can travel safely to each other's houses.

Likewise, it is a time when El Kalah usually is able to get out and do parades. Unfortunately, this year, due to the worldwide pandemic, neither of these things will likely occur, and if they do it will be very infrequently.

However, on May 20th El Kalah held a Business meeting on Zoom. That video conference was able to connect nobles of the El Kalah shrine together who haven't been able to attend a business meeting all year long. Though it doesn't compare to an in-person meeting, it was a breath of fresh air for many. I would like to encourage everyone to have meetings like that with each other and with family members.

Fraternally yours

Daniel Drew, High Priest & Prophet

From the Oriental Guide



Hello Nobles and families,

I hope everyone is still healthy. My wife and I have been staying at home except for the occasional trip to the grocery store and Costco. Costco even had toilet paper so things must be getting better. The state is starting to open, but we still see quite a few new cases each day so for those of us in the high-risk category we need to continue to protect ourselves. As time goes on, we continue to learn about the virus, and we will get closer and closer to the way things used to be. This too shall pass.

On a bright note we had our Zoom El Kalah meeting on May 20th. It was well attended, and we had a good time catching up with each other. Thanks to the good work of our Secretary and Treasurer the bills and travel vouchers for the kids keep being paid. If conditions continue to improve, we hope to have some mid-summer activities for the families so stay tuned, we should finish the year on a high note.

Stay Safe,

David Hutchinson, Oriental Guide

Shrine Family Calendar of Events

Stay safe.

Remember social distancing.

Send calendar updates to jsweetinogden2@yahoo.com

From the Recorder



Hello, Nobles,

My hope is that you had a thoughtful Memorial Day and a relaxing start to your Summer season. For many of our countrymen, Memorial Day is the most solemn of Holidays, and not the legendary “Start of Summer” that many others see in the Memorial Day weekend. And the way that this start of Summer came to pass as a thought process was through the Uniform Monday Holiday Act (Pub. L. 90–363). This Act of Congress amended the federal holiday provisions of the United States Code to establish the observance of certain holidays on Mondays. The Act was signed into **law** on June 28, 1968 and took effect on January 1, 1971. Before this act of Congress, Memorial Day was on May 30th, regardless of which day of the week was involved.

As you have undoubtedly heard many times, these are very challenging times in many different ways for each and every one of us. In the Divan, we are looking for ways to continue operations which include holding meetings and social events, conduct elections in the event the COVID-19 virus remains a roadblock and raise funding that El Kalah may continue its operations without dipping too far into reserves, among other things.

Administratively, I request your help with a couple of things: We have 41 fellow Nobles who have not yet paid their 2020 dues. Thirteen of those will be suspended on December 31st, 2020 if their bills are still unpaid. So please ask all of your Shriner friends whether they have paid their 2020 dues. 2021 Dues bills will be released by Shriners International after August 1st, 2020. Please make certain that your own files contain accurate personal data – phone numbers, addresses, email addresses. Every one of us is on the Membership team for El Kalah. Find a new member.

Thank you!

Stay Safe & Stay Healthy!

Al Hokins, Recorder

Spinning Bad News



A boy gets a pile of manure for his birthday. Gleefully, he dives into it, yelling, "there's gotta be a pony under it!"

Two monks wonder if it is OK to smoke and pray at the same time. They decide to separately ask their master about it. The first one comes back dejected, saying the master got mad at him for asking. The second one says, "that's odd; he told me it's OK! But what did you ask, specifically?!" "I asked if it was OK to smoke while I prayed." "That's why! I asked if it was OK to pray while I smoked!"

Two monks stare at a flag. They wonder if it is the flag flapping or the wind. They ask their master about it. He answers, "it is your minds flapping."

At this pandemic time, let us find the silver lining.

Hugo Rodier, MD, Board of Governors, Shriners Hospitals for Children

From the Chaplain



Dear Nobles;

This past month has been an interesting and educational one for me, and I suspect it has been so for many of you, also, as we learned how to operate in the world of Zoom and other virtual meeting platforms. The adage "You can't teach an old dog new tricks" definitely has been proven to be untrue! It has actually been fun to learn a new approach to "meeting". Although there certainly must be some limitations in how we conduct our virtual events and the care we must take with sensitive items, we have in recent weeks proven that we

Now, for a few chuckles:

At a campaign rally, an embattled politician running for re-election declared, "Despite what the ethics committee concluded, my conscience is clean." "I bet," came a voice from the audience. "That's because you've never used it."

Two entrepreneurs at a networking event tried to make small talk. "Hey, do you believe in survival of the fittest?" one asked. "I don't believe in the survival of anybody," the other replied. "I'm an undertaker."

A man and his wife were driving home from a friend's party. "Honey has anyone ever told you how handsome, sexy and irresistible you are to women?" she asked. Flattered, he replied, "No, I don't recall anyone ever telling me that." "Then whatever gave you that idea at the party tonight?"

See you soon!

Chuck Warren, Chaplain

From Daughters of the Nile



A warm hello to our Masonic Family,

This is a difficult time to keep in contact with our special family. My hope is that you are all well and happy. Lybia Temple is working hard to keep our spirits up and to stay in contact with one another. We are having a very limited Installation of officers at the home of our Princess Banker on June 6th. It is to be held outside and all rules for Social Distancing will be followed. It will be wonderful to have our officers together once again. This is not what I envisioned but it is more than I thought we could have!! Our work for the Hospital continues as well as we are able to do it. My hope is we will all be able to meet together in our Masonic Temple Home very soon!!

Best wishes and much love from Lybia Temple, Daughters of the Nile and

Linda Adams, Queen, Lybia Temple #32

From Ladies Oriental Shrine



Dear Nobles and Ladies,

I hope this month finds everyone healthy and safe. It is with heavy heart that I report the passing of Lady Ann Martin. Her infectious laugh, her kindness to all, her love and devotion to the children and the Shriners Hospital, she was a great lady and will be deeply missed. There will be a celebration of life once we can be together. TBA.

I look forward to being able to see everyone and resume meetings and activities.

Be Safe, Be Kind,

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

Ann Martin

~ April 30, 2020 ~

My Friend Ann,

As I write this article, I can't help but think of all the fun times we experience. Ann was very involved with Ladies Oriental Shrine (LOS) and my travel partner. We rode to meetings together along with other members and conversations were many. We would go to Western Area Organized Unit Meet (WAOUM), or Grand Council and share the expenses of a room, and or car travel (unless we flew). Ann was always a friend and companion to anyone that needed her.

She never let things get her down. When she lost the love of her life, Hal, she still kept going. She would talk about the days they would go boating and land at Catalina Island in California. That was their place and how they planned to have their ashes sprinkled there. Ann and Hal were strong supporters of Shriners Hospital. Every Monday they were there volunteering in the sewing room and driving patients to and from the airport or wherever needed. Ann wore many pins on her lanyern representing years of service and was extremely proud of what she did in helping to sew what was needed for the children or doctors.

They were members of the Mini-Bikes and very active. Even after Hals passing, Ann continued to be an active member; traveling to Mesquite, NV for the Veterans Day Parade activities and all the other parades throughout Utah. Standing along the side lines to greet the guys and clean their wind shields and give a kiss of good luck!

Ann was very proud of her yard full of beautiful purple iris. Everyone wanted a start when she thinned them out. She also planted vegetables and fruit. Her peach tree produced lots of tasty peaches which she made great peach cobbler and or jam. She loved to cook and bake. Always making great desserts. At one time in her life, she was a cake decorator and had a business. She was always willing to make friends a birthday or wedding cake. And naturally they were extremely lovely.

I will always cherish my memories of Ann Martin, my friend!!

Louise Harris, Past High Priestess, Iris Court #47

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