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The Shrine has been blessed to have a new member, a young man named... This is a special day for the Shrine and for the community. We are proud to have him join our ranks.

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Utah Shriners Celebrate! INDEPENDENCE Day

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Join El Kalah Shriners as we celebrate our Independence this July 4th

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Happy Birthday 150th Anniversary Party for El Kalah Shrine

It was a wonderful day celebrating our 150th anniversary. We were honored to have so many members and guests.

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Help Support our Shrine Kids

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It would be easy to step back, consider our overall membership numbers, be overwhelmed, and lose heart. Or, we can each decide to do our part, work as hard as we can to promote our Fraternity, and be, one by one, a powerful force for growth and change. I hope you believe that you can make a difference.

Jeffrey L. Souder Imperial Potentate

Divan

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Living Potentates

1985 Jerold R. Cochran	2001 Glen A. Cook	2012 Douglas J. Backes
1987 Blaine H. Simons	2003/2019 Robert N. Shupe	2013 William H. Broyles
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1997 George Auer	2008 Jon H. Harris	2017 Jason C. Varner
1998 Michael W. Roshek	2009 Marvin E. Morton	2018 Paul Madsen
	2011/2020 John D. Limb	

August Birthdays

Edward S Winslow	08/01	Melvin J Haman	08/10	William A Gardner	08/20
Andrew I Binkerd	08/01	Robert D Reid	08/11	Jerald R Conyers	08/21
Donald S McIntyre	08/03	Dean P Zekas	08/14	Rulan C Snow	08/21
Richard K Thomas V	08/03	David S Anderson	08/14	Charles E Prisk PGM	08/22
Larry G Daugherty	08/04	Shaun Davis	08/15	Blaine H Simons PP	08/24
James E Bungard	08/04	Richard K Thomas IV	08/16	Robert H Heygster	08/24
Dennis F Bird	08/08	Emanuel J Kerikas	08/18	Brent E Moore	08/24
Michael Stahle	08/08	Ronald C Johnson	08/18	John C Schneller Jr	08/25
Tommy W Tucker	08/09	Mike G Walling	08/18	John M Kirby	08/29
Alfred J Staples Jr	08/09	David L Nutter	08/18	Jan F Carlston	08/30
William C Brotherson	08/09	Bruce D Myers	08/19	Calvin K Ockey	08/30
Bob V Wright	08/10	Stanley F Konakis	08/20	Lance L Youngberg	08/31

Deaths

Robert L McNary December 19, 1947 ~ July 20, 2020

Rest in Peace

New Members

YOUR LODGE BROTHER'S NAME SHOULD BE HERE!

Welcome New Members!

From the Potentate



Nobles,

I hope you all had a great 4th and 24th of July. El Kalah Shrine hosted a movie night in July and I think all in attendance had a great time. As of now there are no shrine social events planned for August. We are going to have elections in December, and we will be voting electronically. There will be more information sent out soon but if you have questions regarding electronic voting,

please contact Danny Drew, HP&P and he will be happy to answer them.

That's it for now. I hope the everyone is safe and wearing their mask.

Sincerely

John Limb, Potentate

From the Chief Rabban



Fellow Nobles,

I hope everyone is doing well with this pandemic going on. I know I sound like a broken record, but if you need anything please reach out to one of the Divan officers and we will do our best to help.

I was able to attend the virtual Imperial Session last month. It was a short five hours! It was interesting, the elections were conducted electronically, and we were able to see the newly elected officers installed. I wish it would have been different and we could have attended the session in person, but I guess the virtual session was the next best thing.

With the approval of the Grand Master we had a night out at movies last month at Larry H Miller's Megaplex Movie Theater. Although, few in numbers we all had a really good time watching the movie Grease. We had people singing along and even a few the kids dancing in the isles. As I said, we all had a really good time. We are looking into having another movie night soon.

We all look forward to the day when we can meet again. If you need anything or would like to talk with me, please reach out.

Jeremy Estes, Chief Rabban

From the Assistant Rabban



Fellow Nobles and Significant Others,

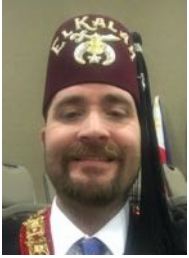
I will begin by apologizing for not getting an article in last month, I was on the road most of the month while the railroad was recovering from 4 major train wrecks here in the West and other assorted work issues. I will say that if the constant flow of rail traffic is any sign of our future during this Nation-wide crisis, you would think everything was open, up and running now or will be soon. With the mention of the "Rona" my Lady and I hope everyone is doing well and staying healthy. We have Nobles and their family members that are currently sick, were sick or worse, we lost. Please check on your fellow Nobles and their families. Another topic that I want to bring up is the other major current affair going on in our country and the social media correlation. I may not have been as upstanding as I could have been, it is sometimes hard to subdue your own personal opinions and take the high road. Trust me though, I am and will do everything to be a better representative of our organizations.

Now to the lighter side, I'm sure as all of your Divan is writing articles, everyone will mention the movie night we took part in. It was the most fun I think any of us have had within our Shrine family this year. We owe Noble Chief Rabban a huge thank you for facilitating the movie night and look forward to more. Sadly, the weekend event at the pavilion has been cancelled for September, but Vernal is still doing the annual BBQ up there. My Lady and I were fortunate enough to meet a local Mason from Vernal on a recent overnight trip up there on July 4th, we might have a new Noble petitioning soon. If we had known they were doing a parade, we would have taken the fire truck up...next year.

We do not have any new news yet on when the Temple will be able to reopen for daily operation and events but crossing fingers it will be soon. Be forewarned though, if we can maintain contact with perspective Nobles that I have heard of and restrictions are lifted, we could possibly be holding a good size fall or spring ceremonial. Put your thinking caps on and come up with some new and never before seen ceremony event ideas or volunteer to rekindle an old one. A lot of Lodges have Candidates in waiting as well, so making presentations to Lodges is another area we will need assistance with as well. Finally, I will close with putting a reminder out, even though it's a few months away, elections will soon be upon us. With enough notice you can ensure you are eligible by Imperial and El Kalah By Law to attend Temple and vote. The steps are being taken for the voting this year to be done electronically, the same as other appendant body voting has been done this year. The electronic version of voting may be dependent on the lifting of restrictions.

Michael "BOOTZ" Clark, Assistant Rabban

From the High Priest & prophet



Noble and Ladies,

As summer months continue, I am thankful we live in our day and age of technology where we have air conditioning units, electric fans, etc. We all enjoy technology for comfort of our lives. These comforts become especially noticeable if they stop working. I had this experience for 5 days and boy was I miserable. Then, how thankful I was once our air conditioner was fixed again.

Now, think of our all the people who get sick with covid-19. Their bodies aren't working Normal and how sick they are, and though I miss doing our parades, I realize that the comfort and issues associated with possibly getting covid-19 isn't worth it. Then I think about our Shrine kids, who have all these other physical issues. I remember why I am a Shriner and why I donate to the hospital. Because I want to help those kids have all the same comforts in life I have.

So, as the dog days of summer continue, though we aren't doing our normal parades, don't forget about our kids at the shrine hospital, and maybe give a donation.

Daniel Drew, High Priest & Prophet

From the Oriental Guide



Things continue to stay messed up with the COVID cases going up and some counties now requiring a mask. But this too will pass, just keep taking the protective measures to stay healthy and we'll ride this out and get back to normal.

With things being opened up a bit, El Kalah had a movie night on July 11th, it was a good time for all. Also, we may be able to have an all body picnic in the fall, maybe. More information to come later. As things continue to open up we have a lot to family activities coming and this year will still be

a good one.

Stay healthy and keep the faith.

David Hutchinson, Oriental Guide

Scientific Proof

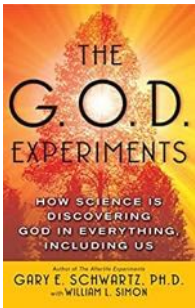


"The second section of this degree constitutes a most impressive and solemn portion of our ritualistic work... victory over death and the immortality of the soul." MM degree
"Science finds it impossible with its processes and analyses, its experiments and diagnoses to discover evidence for the existence of the soul, much less its immortality." AASR 24th degree.

We may need to revise the second statement. Not all scientists are trapped in a materialistic world view that denies the existence of things that are not seen. For example:

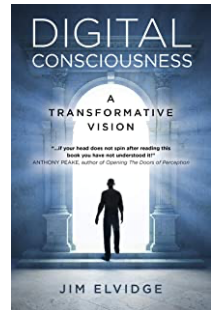
"As a man who has devoted his whole life to the most clear-headed science, to the study of matter, I can tell you as a result of my research about atoms this much: there is no matter as such. All matter originates and exists only by virtue of a force which brings the particle of an atom to vibration and holds this most minute solar system of the atom together. We must assume behind this force the existence of a conscious and intelligent mind. This mind is the matrix of all matter." Max Planck

We have reached the point where technology is proving the existence of the soul. Since there is still a lot of pushback from hard core materialists, I feel it is best to recommend that you research this issue yourself. It will be fun and illuminating!



www.soulproof.com

Gary E. Schwartz, PhD, is the director of the University of Arizona's Laboratory for Advances in Consciousness and Health and Academy for the Advancement of Post-materialistic Science. Former assistant professor at Harvard and tenured professor at Yale



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

From the Chaplain



Dear Nobles;

I hope you are all well and safe during this period of unknowns. It has been interesting to me to observe all the “ups and downs” of the time spent during the pandemic, so far. It presents a similar experience as a roller coaster ride – a gradual rise to optimism followed by the sinking feeling in your gut as you crash down again. It certainly isn’t nearly as much fun, though. I have chatted with some of you and can see that the “cabin fever” is really affecting you mentally. We are gregarious animals and it doesn’t work well for us to be in isolation for such long periods of time. Fortunately, most of the Masonic Family organizations have begun conducting Virtual Meetings, either via Zoom or other means. If you haven’t participated in one of these sessions, I highly encourage you to do so soon. It is surprising how uplifting it is to see old friends again. Often, members of our Masonic Family who no longer live in this area will join in and that is another benefit. If you need technical assistance getting started, many of us will be glad to assist you. It is really pretty simple. If you have a desktop computer, you may need to purchase an “add-on” camera system. If you have a laptop or a tablet, you are probably already equipped with everything you need to get started. I have found that using the built in “mouse” on laptops is not very user friendly at times and it is much easier if you purchase a wireless mouse which provides much more flexibility. Once you have all the hardware available, it is usually simplest to download the software for whatever platform your meeting is being hosted on, and you are all set to go. If you don’t have the necessary computer assets, you can usually participate via telephone. Talk to your meeting host and you will be surprised how easy it is.

Now, for a few chuckles: *A taxpayer received a strongly worded “second notice” that his taxes were overdue. Rushing to the collector’s office, he paid his bill and apologized that he had overlooked the first notice. “Oh,” confided the collector with a smile, “we don’t send out first notices. We have found that the second notices are more effective.”* ~~ *Whatever you do, always give 100%. Unless you are donating blood.* ~~ *A supply officer asked a new recruit if his new uniform fit him. “The jacket isn’t bad, sir,” the recruit replied, “but the trousers are a little loose around the armpits.”* ~~ *I can’t believe I forgot to go to the gym today. That’s seven years in a row.*

See you soon! Stay safe and healthy. God Bless you all.

Chuck Warren, Chaplain

From the Legions of Honor



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Chuck Warren, Sr. Adjutant
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From the Klown Corner

"Throwback Klowning" Do you remember the last time you saw a Shriner Klown in a parade? See if you name all the "The St. Patrick Six" by Klown name. Bonus question - What year was the picture taken? Send your answers to brotherblake7@gmail.com Answers next month's Mineret, winner gets a nice Klown surprise

Blake "Stitches" Hansen (psst - this name might be a clue!)



Shrine Family Calendar of Events

Stay safe.

Remember social distancing.

Send calendar updates to jsweetinogden2@yahoo.com

From Daughters of the Nile



Hello to all our Masonic Family.

Lybia Temple is doing its' best to keep our members informed of everything we are doing. Unfortunately, we have had to cancel or postpone our summer plans due to the Pandemic.

On Sunday June 7th, Lybia lost our Past Supreme Queen Eleanor Carlston. This was a blow to all of us. She was always a vibrant force within Nile. She was the oldest living Past Supreme Queen and her death sent ripples around the world.

She will be sorely missed.

As of today's date Nile Supreme Session is still going to happen in September in Minnesota. The Supreme Queen will be making her visit to Lybia Temple shortly after that. The officers and members are working hard to make her visit memorable.

I am hoping this finds everyone healthy as we tread these new waters of living life during a pandemic. I know I speak for many when I say that we miss our Masonic connections and friends.

Nile love to all.

Linda Adams, Queen, Lybia Temple #32

From Ladies Oriental Shrine



Dear Nobles and Ladies,

LOS had an estate/ yard sale of the items donated by Lady Ann Martin's family. It was a great success. Thank you to all who came and supported and helped us. Summer is in full swing as is COVID-19. I pray everyone is staying healthy, safe, and following the states guidelines. All the Masonic organizations are very social, being denied the ability to gather is difficult for all of us. Please pick up the phone and check in on a fellow member. Every day is a new beginning, take a deep breath, smile, and start again.

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Nobles, their family and friends at Shriner's Night-At-The Movies had a great time watching the classic musical Grease.

Send Pictures of recent Shrine activities and you may see them in future issues of the Minaret.

