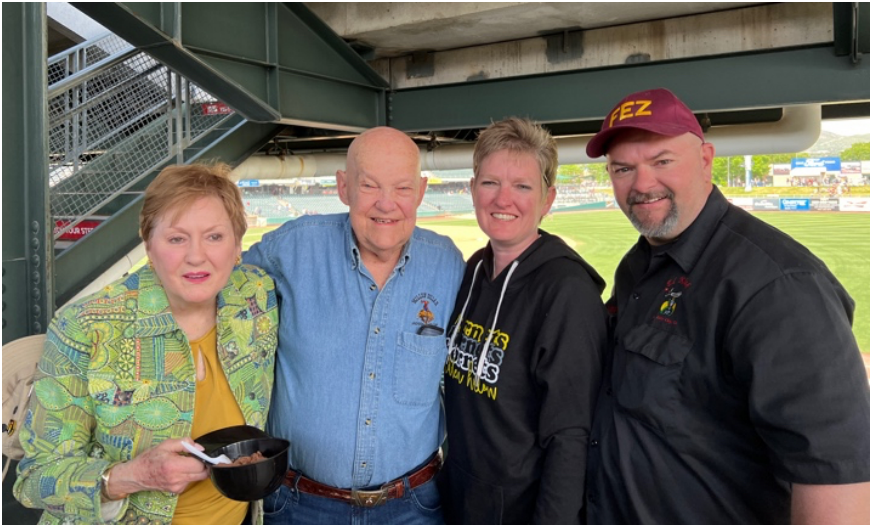

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Minaret



Utah Shriners

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Potentate Jeremey Estes, his wife Angelia,
and Chief Rabban Al Hokins and his wife Sylvia
enjoyed an afternoon at Smith's Ballpark watching the
Salt Lake Bees play the Tacoma Rainiers on May 22.

Divan

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1985 Jerold R. Cochran	2003/2019 Robert N. Shupe	2013 William H. Broyles
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June Birthdays

Alfred L Glaeser	6/1	Robert D Milbourn Sr.	6/12	Frank C Baker P.G.M.	6/24
Randy P Hansen	6/2	Ronald Lloyd	6/13	Dean D Rein P.G.M.	6/24
Christian R Glad	6/2	John H Jones	6/16	Michael J St. Laurent	6/25
Thomas E Caygle	6/4	John A Glines	6/18	Burke H Biersdorf	6/28
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Thomas C Bunn	6/6	David B Edwards P.P.	6/20	David L Lemons	6/29
Robert T Reclusado	6/7	Thomas B Simons	6/22	Michael F Jacobazzi	6/29
Gordon L Oram	6/9	Carl E Fauver	6/23	Thomas J Goheen	6/29
Donald D Biggs	6/11			Jake Johnstun	6/29

Black Camel

NONE

Rest in Peace

New Members

NONE

Welcome New Members!

From the Potentate



Greetings Nobles,

What a fun family event we had on Sunday the 21st. The Bees vs the Isotopes. We had about 20 people that were able to attend the game. I believe that fun was had by all that were able to attend. I for one know that my family and I had a great time as we watched the Bees win 8 to 1. I for one enjoy the brother hood and getting to know families. We always have our own story to tell. Noble High Priest and Profit Blake Hansen will be working on another game but, this time we will do it on a Saturday. I hope that we can get more Nobles and families to the next game.

We have some parades coming up soon but, in August will be our next event that we will have. We are going to have a family picnic on August 17th. This is on a Wednesday night which is on our normal business night. We are hoping that we will have more Nobles and families be in attendance. El Kalah will be providing the hamburgers and hotdogs. We will be doing like a potluck for the rest of the salads. We will be sending out notices for this event every month to keep it on everyone's mind. So, save the day for some fun with El Kalah. As always thank you for all your support so far this year. We have been able have a great year so far and look forward to more fun to be had. IF you need anything or have some ideas for your Divan, please reach out to us.

Sincerely,

Jeremy Estes, Potentate

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From the Chief Rabban



As you know, May was a very busy and fun month for El Kalah Shriners as we began the summer season of activities! The Ogden Shrine Club dined at the Graycliff Lodge in Ogden Canyon with a visit by the Potentate and members of the Divan. Shriners and their wives enjoyed fun and fellowship and an excellent meal. Shriners and their friends and families also enjoyed perfect Sunday afternoon weather at the ballpark getting to visit and know each other better while, at the same time, watching the Salt Lake Bees win their game.

On the 19th of May, Shriners International conducted a Q & A Webinar as part of its Marketing and Communications and Membership Program. The panel members who gave presentations and answered questions were John Piland, COO; Mel Bower (who is a Shriners Hospital child), Chief of Communications and Marketing; and Brian Harrison, Chief Membership Officer. One of many items addressed was a switch in emphasis throughout the world of Shriners. This includes a shift away from the 150-year-old title, Shrine Temples, to newer term, Shrine Chapters.

Regarding the Shriners Children's, John Piland stated that Shriners are more relevant than ever. The Shrine medical system has treated more patients than ever, and there are fewer Shriners. Shriners/Masons, therefore, have a huge impact, worldwide.

Noble Piland acknowledged what we all know: Membership decline must be reversed. Each of us is on the Membership Committee. Open discussions with members of the Chapter as well as members of the Divan are important. Primary consideration should be given to activities which would be of interest to members and potential members. Shriners should recognize that what has worked in the past, may or may not work in the present or the future. Examples of activities or units which have been successful in Shrine Chapters are Tap Rooms; Coding groups; Drone Clubs; Indoor Golf; and Clowns who specialize in characters. These are just samples of things that are current and of forward-thinking ideas that are meant to get members thinking about what might work in El Kalah. We all know that a big part of the job for Shriners is not only to help Blue Lodges remain active but grow because Shriners must first be Master Masons. We also know that Freemasons are limited in recruiting because Masons cannot "ask." Potential members must ask to become Masons. And that's where family – spouses and significant others - can help. They CAN ask a potential candidate to join. Please keep in mind the recruiting needs of our fraternities as we enjoy Summertime activities. Share our experiences with friends and

neighbors. Many want the things we offer and have. They just do not know how to proceed, and we can help them become Masons and Shriners.

As individuals we pledge ourselves to integrity, virtue, and nobility of character. Our intentions will be honorable, our relationships will be trustworthy and our spirits forgiving of each other. As brothers we offer each other fraternal affection and respect. Together we will support each other in adherence to this creed, so that we and our communities will be the better because of our fraternity and its principles. As Shriners we look beyond ourselves to serve the needs of others, especially children who cannot help themselves. We believe Shriners Hospitals to be the world's greatest philanthropy, and we covenant with each other to support its "temples of mercy" with spirit, time, talent and means.

Please be safe as you enjoy the Summer! We need each of you.

Al Hokins, Chief Rabban

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From the High Priest & prophet



Greetings all!

Thanks to all who helped make the Onion sales a successful fundraising venture. The farm that grows the onions also sells sweet potatoes in October and November, just in time for the holidays. I would like to see who would be interested - send me a text (801) 850-2434 or send me an email if you are interested.

Also, thanks to all the Nobles and their families that attended our first sports outing of the year at the Salt Lake Bees. We found out we have a star player in our temple - Chuck Warren who caught a baseball barehanded. Look to attend another baseball game and a hockey game or two as well.

Blake Hansen, High Priest & Prophet

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From the Oriental Guide



Dear Nobles, Ladies, and Friends.

If you are planning any trips out of the country, be aware the US government requires you to be tested for COVID infection before they let you back into the country. I recently returned on 1 May from England and a couple I met while traveling went to London for a few days and the wife tested positive for COVID and they needed to quarantine in London. I have not heard if they have been able to return. You may be seeing more information and concerns on Monkeypox. This is a viral infection with similarities to Smallpox, but not as deadly, with few cases reported in the US, but it has been reported in UTAH. If you received Smallpox vaccine (MMWR), you should have immunity to Monkeypox. Since Smallpox infections have been greatly reduced in the US, many have chosen to forego immunization. You can go to <https://a2zhealthy.com/monkeypox-symptoms/11/> for information on symptoms. If you think you may have it, contact your primary physician or a healthcare provider quickly. I am sure many of you, like myself are weary of hearing about all the pandemic concerns and may wonder why I bring this up in the Minaret. I want to have a clear conscience in doing all I can to prevent the Black Camel from visiting our membership, ladies, friends, and anyone who may receive and read the Minaret. I also share this information with as many people as I can through social media and personal contact. This explains why very few people look for my companionship and why I have been exiled to West Wendover. The previous sentence may be true. but is meant as a joke.

Sincerely,

Michael Katsonis, Oriental Guide

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From the Recorder



With summer here, thoughts turn to parades and fund raising and we must follow very specific rules about how we raise money. The following is copied from General Order #1 2021 – 2022

About fundraising, it is not better to ask for forgiveness, when in doubt check with your Divan. It is natural to associate the fez with Shriners Hospitals for Children. Because of this, meticulous attention must be given to all fundraising activities, including circuses, 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 thereof will be used otherwise. The integrity of our charity and of our fraternity must remain above reproach. 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.³⁸ §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.

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. There can be no representation, express or implied, that the proceeds will be for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children. 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. 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. A copy of the temple Potentate’s written consent shall be sent 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 sent to him.

Dave Hutchinson, Recorder

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From the Chaplain



Hello there, Brother Nobles and Friends. May has flashed past and now it is June!! Wow does time ever fly when you are having fun!! Especially Shriner fun. The parades are upon us, and everyone is planning how to best represent El Kalah and show the public who and what we are. The Vidalia onions also arrived, and distribution has taken place. I hope all of you took advantage of the opportunity to purchase some of these beauties and the cookers and the sauce. It makes for a super-yummy side dish. So easy, quick, and very delicious in accompaniment with most any entrée. Here is my EZ Recipe: 1 large Vidalia onion. Slice bottom root end off to make a flat surface. Cut through the onion dividing into quarters. Don't slice completely through. Place onion in cooker. Sprinkle with olive oil and just a touch of onion or garlic powder. Cover with cooker lid and microwave on high until tender and tips of onion are browning (~5 minutes). Select your dipping sauce and chow down!!



If you missed the Bee's baseball game Sunday 22 May, you missed out on a fun time. Bee's won, by the way. Kudos to Noble Blake Hanson and our Potentate for their efforts arranging this event. The Nobles and Ladies in attendance really enjoyed themselves. Plan on attending the next El Kalah activity so you don't miss out on the fun.

Now, it's time for some chuckles: *Mike took his lady to an exorbitantly expensive restaurant and asked the waiter, "What's the catch of the day?". "You are," the waiter replied! ~~ Danny proudly told me "Education can get you what really matters in the world today," as he showed me his assigned parking space. ~~ Glen, John, and Al appeared before St. Peter. He asked Glen, "For demographic purposes, what was your last annual salary?" Glen replied, "I made \$200,000 a year, I was a trial lawyer." "Great. And what was your last annual salary?" St. Peter asked John. "I earned \$95,000 as a mortgage agent." "Very good. And you?" he asked Al, who replied, "I made \$8000." "Awesome! What instrument did you play?" ~~ A politician woke up after surgery and asked the nurses, "Why are all the blinds drawn?". "Everything is fine," one of the nurses replied. "There's just a big fire across the street and we didn't want you to think the operation had been a failure." ~~ Vladimir Putin announced he's abolishing daylight saving time. He said he doesn't want to set Russian clocks back. I will say this: He's done a pretty good job of setting the Russian calendar back – to about 1981." - Craig Ferguson*

Chuck Warren, Chaplain

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OEDIPUS REVISITED



“Oedipus Complex” is well-known to us because of its dire parental tragedy. Unfortunately, this ancient legend’s full meaning and lessons are buried under the surface. Lesson #1: Oedipus was a wise man, but his wisdom didn’t save him from tragedy. He is credited with solving the Sphynx’s Riddle. “Which is the creature that has one voice, but has four feet in the morning, two feet in the afternoon, and three feet at night?” Lesson #2: Oedipus gauging of his eyes in remorse is symbolic of us being blinded to truth. To find it, we must accept suffering as our greatest teacher and open our eyes to The Heart. Logic can only go so far, which is one of the greatest lessons buried in our Blue Lodge degrees, despite the FC’s degree exalting logic. Logic only gets us so far. *“Oedipus had to abandon his certainty, his clarity, and supposed insight in order to become aware of the dark ambiguity of the human condition.”* Lesson #3: The final steps to truth are taken when we accept that we know nothing. Our Left Brain must recognize that the Right Brain is the Master. The latter is open to Divine Light. The former not so much.

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From the daughters of the Nile



Greetings Ladies, Nobles and Friends.

It is Spring or Summer or maybe Winter. I can’t tell. Memorial Day is the unofficial start of Summer; or is it June 1st? June 15th is when the Salt Lake Masonic Temple goes dark until September. The Daughters of the Nile will not have Stated Sessions in June, July, or August. This year, our Supreme Session will be in Dallas, Texas June 10th to 17th. Lybia Temple will have five officers in attendance: Queen Sylvia Hokins, PQ; Deanna Adams, Junior Past Queen; Candice Sweet, Princess Royal; Robin Tomasetti, Princess Tirzah; and Linda Adams, PQ, Princess Badoura. I know we will have a great time and learn a lot. Hope y’all have a wonderful Summer! We will see you in September.

Sylvia Hokins, Queen
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From the Ladies Oriental Shrine



Well Ladies Oriental Shrine of North America has had its Grand Council in Seattle and we now have Lady Linda Figler as our Grand High Priestess! It's very exciting as she has a lot of ideas and is a great lady! I can't wait for the Grand Visitation in June and a chance to get some 1 on 1 time with her. We will be touring Shriners' Children's on June 6th at 10:00AM with lunch to follow if anyone cares to join us. It is a great opportunity to bring friends and family and show them what we are all about and what we support. I am inviting everyone to come.

One of the biggest messages to come across at Grand Council is the need for membership. All Masonic organizations are feeling it, and it has become apparent that all our memberships are dwindling rapidly, and we must adapt. I feel it is imperative that we work together, not only to help our memberships but all Masonic organization memberships and purposes. Please let your wives know that we are here, and we would love to have them! New ideas are always appreciated no matter where they come from, and I invite your ideas to help us as well.

I am aware that we will all be going dark for the summer (as is tradition) but I look forward to the Ogden Days Parade and all the work we will do together. The LOS Ogden Club is also hosting a baseball game in Ogden on June 19th at 2PM for all of those interested. Please contact me at navetusa@gmail.com or (801)663-0766 for tickets.

Turn on your heart light!

Kimberley Stenner, High Priestess
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editor's note: As the Minaret was ready to print we learned of the death of Grand High Priestess Linda Figler's husband. Her visitation has been postponed until August. Please join me in wishing Linda's family comfort and peace in this time of sorrow.

Shrine Family Calendar of Events

June 2 6:30pm LOS Ogden Club, University Broiler & Grill, 4343 Harrison Blvd. Ogden. Kathy Wentzell 801 399-9361

June 6 6:30 LOS Court Meeting, Salt Lake Masonic Temple
Kim Stenner 801 582-1565

June 9 6:30pm Nile Ogden Club, Hug-Hes Cafe, 1220 E 4800 S Ogden. Merrill Lee Warren 801 866-8255

June 10-11 Iris Court yard-sale 375 E Bridlewalk Ln., Murry. Karen Penske 801-891-9426

June 19 2:00pm LOS Ogden Club Ogden Raptors baseball game, Lindquist Field, 2330 Lincoln Ave, Ogden. Kimberly Stenner 801-663-0766



Ladies Oriental Shrine
Ogden Club presents
Group tickets to
Ogden Raptors VS Idaho Falls Chukars
game at Lindquist Field



Sunday, June 19th At 2:00PM
Tickets \$10 each



Contact Kimberly Stenner for tickets
801-663-0766 or navetusa@gmail.com
Purchase tickets by Friday, June 17th



Iris Court #47 Yard Sale

When: June 10-11

Time: 8 AM to 4 PM

Address: 375 East Bridlewalk
Lane Murray, Ut 84107



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Deadline to Drop off from June 6 - 9. Please
contact Lady Karen Penske at 801-891-9426 or
fordgirl32@gmail.com for more information.

The View from the Hill.. Merlin Larsen Reporting

Don't miss **Walk for Love** this year. It is going to be a **blast**. You will just go **APE** for it. Tell all your friends!! **The Zoo Walk for Love Sept 16, 2022**



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Or Virtual! (September 10-17)

Shriners & Ladies!

Come join us for a walk on the wild side **as we celebrate 100 years of Shriners Children's.** This year's Walk for LOVE is at Hogle Zoo. Join us for festivities at Shriners Children's during the day, followed by an evening walk at the zoo.

Or participate in our virtual Walk for LOVE, Sept. 10-17, 2022 from the convenience of your own neighborhood.

Kick-off Festivities <i>at Shriners Children's</i> Friday, September 16	Walk for LOVE <i>at Hogle Zoo</i> Friday, September 16
10 a.m. Facility Tours	5 p.m. Dinner
12 p.m. Lunch	6 p.m. Walk for LOVE begins
1 p.m. Board Meeting (Shriners)	9 p.m. Event concludes
2:30 p.m. Free time	

Register for either our Walk for LOVE at the zoo, or our Virtual Walk, at walkforlove.org.
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