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July 4 ~ ~ July 24

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July Birthdays

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Norman L Setters	7/8			Courtney L Talbot	7/28

Black Camel

Michael J Holt, April 18, 1935 ~ June 11, 2022

Rest in Peace

New Members

NONE

Your Lodge brother's name should be here.

From the Potentate



Good morning, everyone.

I am writing you from White Bear Lake Minnesota. We are out here for work specking a new fire truck for the city. Right behind the hotel we are staying at is the local masonic lodge. I was able to meet some of the brothers from there and it reminds me of why I joined masonry. The brotherhood that was offered after just meeting them is one of the coolest feelings. People I have never met before are offering help if any is needed while I am in town.

We are off to a busy month as we are really kicking off the parade season. This will be our first year in the Provo Freedom Festival Parade. As well as some of the classic parades that we have always been involved in. I hope to see as many of you at the Provo parade as we can get. This is a call out parade as well. If you have any questions, you can reach out to Noble Travis McGuire or Noble Assistant Rabban Danny Drew for details. Next week Noble Chief Rabban, I, and our ladies are off to the Imperial Session in Minneapolis Minnesota. I look forward to learning and representing our temple out there. Stand by for the details of what transpires in next months edition.

As always if you have any questions, concerns, or ideas for us as your Divan please reach out to us. We are here for you.

Sincerely,

Jeremy Estes, Potentate

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From the Chief Rabban



Greetings Nobles and Friends,

Summer and Parade Season are in full swing! I spent the morning hunting for an expert mechanic who would take on the refurbishment of the brakes on our fire truck. It looks as though we have a willing and qualified firm which is interested in doing the work. The size of the vehicle is one consideration, but the major limitation currently appears to be parts for a pre-World War II vehicle. While we dearly love our shiny, like-new, bright red, fire truck, its age of 82 years can be a bit of a challenge when it comes to even routine maintenance. Keep your fingers crossed that they find no surprises once the repairs get underway. While the 4th of July may not see our 1939 Ford truck in the parade line-up, hopefully, she'll be rolling for the 25th in Ogden along with our vintage, 1939 Yellowstone Bus. El Kalah welcomes Shriners and their families to attend every parade on the sidelines with their Fez: Provo, July 4; Draper, July 16; Cottonwood Heights, July 30; Roy, August 6 are in the current schedule. Other events such as the August 17th Bar-B-Q and the Shriners Children's Walk for Love will be published.

Shriners Imperial Session convenes the first week in July in Minneapolis. Both the Potentate and I will be there representing El Kalah along with our wives. In addition, El Kalah has at least two or three or more Past Potentates who attend either the Iowa Corporation (Shrine Temples) session or the Colorado Corporation (Shriners Children's) session. These business sessions are not the most fun, yet they are very necessary and important to the affairs of the Order. Since El Kalah membership is below the level required for additional voting delegates, our voice is not very loud at the Imperial vote. Therefore, we must continue to maximize efforts to increase membership. And, as you know, there are many more reasons to increase membership. One of the fun events is the BIG parade with units on display from all over the USA, Mexico, Brazil, the Philippines and perhaps Germany. Other events include competitions among units such as bagpipe bands, clowns, and motor units of all kinds.

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. Remember 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

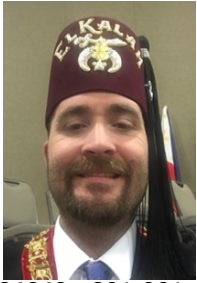
our communities will be the better because of our fraternity and its principles. As Shriners we look beyond ourselves to serve the needs of others, especially children who cannot help themselves. We believe Shriners Hospitals to be the world's greatest philanthropy, and we covenant with each other to support its "temples of mercy" with spirit, time, talent and means.

Have a wonderful July 4th Weekend! Please be safe as you enjoy! We need each of you.

Al Hokins, Chief Rabban

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From the Assistant Rabban



Dear Nobles and Ladies

I hope your springtime has been wonderful as well as productive, as we now start our summer. Your Divan has been busy planning out events for the rest of the year. There has also been a change on how anyone can rent out the Shriners Pavilion in Hobble Creek Canyon near Springville, Utah. The Central Shrine club has hired out Bethany Baty, Parker Brown Rental Depart, Manager/ Realtor, 187 W Main St Lehi UT 84043, 801-901-4217 bethany@parker-brown.com. Bethany through Parker Brown will do everything rental related to the pavilion, please refer every person to them. When you call Bethany just leave a message, she will get back to you.

This month of July is full of many different parades, and it is kicked off with the Freedom Festival in Provo on the 4th. We need ALL-hands-on-deck, and we need all members, clubs, and units to participate in this parade. The following are instructions about the night before and day of the parade from the Parade Director: *"On behalf of America's Freedom Festival Parade Committee, I want to thank you for your participation in this year's Fourth of July Parade. Please plan on bringing your float to the staging area behind Zions Bank at 1060 N. University Avenue, Provo between 5 pm and 10 pm on Sunday July 3rd. A parade representative will be there during these hours to get your float situated in its proper staging location for the parade. Security will be watching the floats all night. Please have all your people who will be in the parade at this staging area by 6:30 AM on July 4th as roads will close at that time and traffic gets quite congested beyond this time. Parking is available at the BYU lot 18 just East of Baskin Robbins on Bulldog Blvd. (NOT in the Baskin Robbins parking lot.) Parking also is available at BYU lot 58, the Information Technology Building (1356 N.*

University Ave.) Please try to carpool or have people dropped off as parking is more limited this year because BYU is accommodating FSY counselor parking in many of the lots we once used. Let the security guard at these lots know that you are with a parade entry, and you can park there. Each entry needs to add some element of patriotism to it. This is a very well attended parade, over 300,000 spectators, and is televised. You can de-stage/park to pick up members of your entry at the end of the route at the Multi Stake center parking lot 350 N. 900 E. Please do not park your floats or entries on the closed road to watch the end of the parade." We look forward to the mini bikers, clunkers, mounted patrol, fire brigade, clowns, LOS, and all members of El Kalah who can come bring your families and participate. We are hopeful, that the fire truck, bus, and float will all be fixed and available to be part of our entry. I look forward to seeing you all in Provo on the 4th, throughout the state at our other Parades, and using the Shriners Pavilion in Hobbie Creek Canyon.

Sincerely

Daniel Drew, Assistant Rabban
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From the High Priest & prophet



A Shiner's main job is fundraising. The same company that has been providing us the Vidalia Onions in the spring/summer, also provides sweet potatoes for fundraising in the winter or holiday months of Thanksgiving and Christmas. Right now, I am looking at the interest and I will keep bugging you until I get a good enough response to decide. A 5-pound bag will go for \$5, and a 10-pound bag \$10. We would get the order in before Halloween to get them here by Thanksgiving. Let me know of your interest

brotherblake7@gmail.com and (801) 850-2434. Look to see you at the Provo and Ogden parades.

Happy Independence and Pie N Beer Day

Blake Hansen, High Priest & Prophet
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From the Oriental Guide



Dear Nobles, Ladies, and Friends:

The parade in Syracuse, Utah was very well attended by the residents and very heartwarming as they expressed their gratitude to me as I walked along for Shriner's Children's philanthropy. The Mini-Bikes were loudly cheered by the crowds with Bootz also joining them. Mike Clark, Shawn Davis, Gary Felkner, Bob Green, and Kevin Lloyd provided a good representation. I am quite excited about our next parade in Provo on the 4th of July. This will be our first year in the Provo parade and it will be the largest parade for this season. I encourage as many of you as possible to join us.

We are planning a Cookout/BBQ on Wednesday, 17 August at 7 PM on the East lawn of the Salt Lake Masonic Temple. Please let me know if you will be able to attend and how many others will be joining you to this event. Family members, friends, and prospective new members to El Kalah membership are welcome to join us. El Kalah will be providing hamburgers and hotdogs and we encourage those joining us to feel free to bring along their favorite side dishes to share. You may email me at mgkatsonis@yahoo.com or call me at (801) 945-1907, to let me know if you are attending and how many will be in your party.

Michael Katsonis, Oriental Guide

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From the Recorder



Nobles, I have a favor to ask, if you get an email from **El Kalah Shriners - WebFez** please open and read it. We email information to the Nobles through WebFez, and it could be important or at least hopefully interesting. This month is another instalment in the mandatory communications. Please read it over and if you do a fund raiser make sure everything is correctly, please ask questions.

FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES (continued) 2. Fundraising for Charitable Purposes: (a) No Noble (in his capacity as a Shriner), club, unit, organization of Nobles or affiliated or appendant corporations shall engage in any charitable fundraising activity other than for Shriners Hospitals for Children. A request to fundraise for Shriners Hospitals for Children is now initiated through

a module in WebFez. The temple recorder and/or designated staff are required to take online training to gain access to the module. See updated Charitable Fundraising – Approval and Reporting on page 46 of this publication. Permission therefor must be first obtained in writing from the temple Potentate. The temple Potentate must then obtain written permission from the chairmen of the boards of directors and trustees. This request for written permission shall be sent to the Executive Vice President, Shriners International, P. O. Box 31356, Tampa, FL 33631-3356. No charitable fundraising activity shall be held in the jurisdiction of another temple without the written permission of the Potentate of that temple. (i) A joint charitable fundraising activity with another 501(c)(3) charity may be authorized, provided that a minimum of 50% of the net proceeds are for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children, and the chairmen of the boards of directors and trustees determine, on a case-by-case basis, that it is in the best interest of Shriners Hospitals for Children and they grant their written permission for the activity. (ii) A charitable fundraising activity conducted by a temple located outside of the U.S.A. may be authorized for other charities, provided that the chairmen of the boards of directors and trustees determine, on a case-by-case basis, that it is in the best interest of Shriners Hospitals for Children, and they grant their written permission for the activity. (b) All Shrine temples and their units, Shrine clubs, Shrine Associations, and their units and Imperial Sessions of Shriners International are prohibited from engaging telemarketing firms and direct mail firms to assist with fundraising for Shriners Hospitals for Children. No new contracts are permitted without first obtaining written permission from the chairmen of the boards of directors and trustees. (c) 100% of net proceeds (as defined in the Charitable Fundraising—Approval and Reporting provisions of this General Order) from charitable fundraising must be given to Shriners Hospitals for Children except for such portion thereof as may be permitted to be retained for the temple Shrine Hospital Patient Transportation Fund, pursuant to the Special Purpose Funds provisions of any General Order. Provided, however, if the chairmen of the boards of directors and trustees determine for good cause shown, that the law of the land requires that a portion of the net proceeds must be distributed locally, then they may, if they determine it to be in the best interest of Shriners Hospitals for Children, grant their written permission for such distribution. The remaining net proceeds from charitable fundraising must be given to Shriners Hospitals for Children and may not be designated or restricted in any way other than for research at one or all our hospitals. (d) The temple shall report the result of each charitable fundraising activity within sixty days of the activity, pursuant to the Charitable Fundraising—Approval and Reporting provisions of any General Order.

Dave Hutchinson, Recorder
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From the Chaplain



Dear Brother Nobles and friends.

The weird weather of Utah Summer seems to be upon us, complete with the blustery winds, erratic and sparse rain showers and bizarre temperature excursions. I don't know about you, but I sure am tired of having my gardening plans destroyed! Freezing weather in June doesn't work well with tomato plants, especially up here in the mountains where I live.

Rather than claiming to be an expert gardener I hold the title (not proudly) of plant recovery specialist. The second planting will go in this week with fingers crossed, but, if experience holds true, I may get frozen out before I can harvest much product! Ah, well, it helps keep me off the streets and mostly out of trouble. If I wasn't gardening (attempting to, at least) I would probably be hanging out in dingy bars, telling lies, chasing after loose ladies, and racing hot rods. I hope you gardeners down in the valley have better success than I usually do.

Now, it's giggle time: *The seven ages of man: spills, drills, thrills, bills, ills, pills, and wills.* ~ *Dr. Hugo called a plumber in the middle of the night because one of his toilets was blocked. He insisted it was urgent and needed to be attended to immediately. Upon arrival, the plumber lifted the toilet lid, threw in two aspirin, and said, "If they're still there in the morning, give us another ring."* ~ *An optometrist was describing a patient to a friend. "Every time he went to read, he would read double," he said. "Poor fellow," the friend commented. "I bet that interfered in his holding down a job." "Not at all. The gas company hired him to read meters."* ~ *Al sat down in the chair and said to the barber, "I went for a hair transplant, but I couldn't stand the pain. If you can make my hair look like yours without causing me any discomfort, I'll pay you \$5,000." Without hesitating, the barber began shaving his own head.* ~ *A census taker asked Mr. Bill's wife her age. "Well," she replied, "let me think. I was 18 when I married, and he was 30. He is now 60, or twice as old as he was then, so I am now 36."* ~ *Jim got picked up while very intoxicated in public. At the police station he was quite indignant and bellowed, "What I want to know is what I was brought in here for." "Drinking," the sergeant replied. "Well, that's different," Jim said, calming down. "When do we get started?" Remember – "Forgiveness is Divine!"*

Chuck Warren, Chaplain

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Add To Your Toolkit



We are given tools in each Blue Lodge degree to travel East in search of The Lost Word. Here are two more tools to consider: concentration and retrospection. Eastern societies readily accept the concept of subjugation of the ego through meditation. Western societies not so much. In fact, the ego and its accomplishments are exalted as means to achieve material gain. Yet, western seekers/travelers seem to understand a modified approach—concentration of the mind. Consider the following exercise: instead of an Eastern lotus, picture a rose hanging in midair about three feet from you. If you can hold that image without interruption for eighteen seconds, consider yourself successful. You may picture the rose blooming, or its petals falling. Do this in the morning while still in bed. Do not repeat the exercise until the next morning. With time, you will gain a modicum of control over your mind, which will lead to “subduing your passions.” Retrospection is best done as you return to bed. “Rewind the tape” from the end of your activities to the beginning after arising. Attempt to be objective in evaluating your performance. Could you have done better? Resolve to improve when facing similar activities in the future. Most people fall asleep before they get to the beginning of the tape, making this technique an excellent treatment of insomnia. Retrospection was mastered by Benjamin Franklin with remarkable results. One of the interpretations of The Lost Word is “To Know Thyself” and Deity. Concentration and retrospection may help in this magnificent quest.

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From the daughters of the Nile



Greetings Ladies, Nobles and Friends.

Happy Fourth of July Weekend! Hope you all have a wonderful celebration and remember how our great country was formed. Freedom is not free.

The Daughters of the Nile had our annual Supreme Session this year in Dallas, Texas, June 10th to 17th. As you will recall, the following members of Lybia Temple made the trip: Queen Sylvia Hokins, PQ; Deanna Adams, JPQ; Candice Sweet, Princess Royal; Robin Tomasetti, Princess Tirzah; and Linda Adams, PQ, Princess Badoura. It was a very good meeting, most informative and enjoyable. There was a great deal of business transacted. We voted on 15 amendments. Even though we are dark for the Summer, we will still schedule times to practice for the official visit of the Supreme Queen in September.

Hope y'all have a wonderful Summer!

Sylvia Hokins, Queen

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From the Ladies Oriental Shrine



Ladies Oriental Shrine is looking forward to walking in the parade with you for the Ogden Days parade. We do love to see the public and share in their support for Shriners Children's. Our Grand High Priestess had to cancel her visit in June due to some personal reasons, but we look forward to her rescheduling sometime in Feb or Mar. We had a great yard sale in June and did very well. Thanks to Lynn Larsen for allowing us to use his home for the yard sale! We appreciate

that and all the support from our men. We are selling Rada knives for a fundraiser this year. If you would like to look at them, you can go to <https://radafundraising.com?rfsn=6559661.cea599>. There are other things on their website besides knives and you can always get them as a gift for weddings, etc as well. We are also having a membership dinner on Aug 7th. If you are interested in attending with your spouse, please let me know at 801-663-0766 and I will make sure you have the information to go. Happy 4th of July!!

Kimberley Stenner, High Priestess

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Shrine Family Calendar of Events

July 4 Independence Day Parade, Provo. Danny Drew 435-714-0482

July 16 Parade, Draper. Danny Drew 435-714-0482

July 24 Pioneer Day Parade, Ogden Danny Drew 435-714-0482

July 30 Parade, Cottonwood Heights. Danny Drew 435-714-0482

Shrine Family Photo Album

Noble Guy Johnson and Ashley Childs submitted this very nice video.

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We are always looking for your Shrine family pictures and videos. Send them to jsweetinogden2@yahoo.com



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