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It's Summertime



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Black Camel

NONE

Rest in Peace

New Members

NONE

Your Lodge brother's name should be here.

From the Potentate



Good morning, everyone.

I hope everyone is doing well. The parade season is in full swing, we had a good showing and a lot of fun at the Ogden parade last week. I would like to thank the Ogden Shrine Club for the hospitality and great food after the parade. This has been a tradition of theirs for a long time.

This last month I, the chief Rabban and our spouses were able to attend the Imperial session in Minneapolis. We had quite a few past potentates in attendance as well. They had several items that came up on the call this year. One of the things that came up again was the per capita increase. Our Noble chief Rabban discusses this in his article. It is my opinion that this will pass easily next year, at least that is what I was hearing other Nobles discussing after the vote. With that said I think we all need to be preparing ourselves for the possibility of the \$20 per capita increase. It was a great session learning a lot about our fraternity. The passion that we have for the purpose that we are involved with. We all need to remember what our purpose is. That we are helping the kids in ways that we will never know or realize. I posted on our Facebook page videos about the new ambassadors. You should all take the time to go watch and get to know them. <https://www.shrinerschildrens.org/en/news-and-media/national-patient-ambassadors?listPage=1>

I hope everyone is staying safe and sound. As always if there is anything that your Divan can do for you, please reach out to any one of us. Remember that the 3rd Wednesday of August on the east lawn of the Salt Lake Masonic Temple we will be having a family friendly BBQ. Bring your significant other as well as your kids for some fun and fellowship. Also, the 3rd Wednesday of September we will be having our Pinewood Derby at the Temple as well. Pizza and drinks will be provided, so start making those cars now. I think I heard Illustrious Sir Limb throw out a challenge to try and beat his car. I hope to see everyone at these next two events.

Sincerely,

Jeremy Estes, Potentate

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From the Chief Rabban



Greetings Nobles and Friends,

Summer and Parade Season continue in full swing (continued from last month)! If you went to the Ogden Parade on July 25th, you saw the firetruck in all its glory. Safety issues had been addressed by the restoration company to make it roadworthy, and Ken Wilson drove it up to Ogden with a safety spotter car closely behind. The truck still needs more maintenance work plus new wheels and tires. However, El Kalah will have to do some fund raising before those items can be accomplished. The Mini-Bikers added their appeal to El Kalah's group. Our Yellowstone Bus was out of commission for the Ogden parade. The Potentate led El Kalah in Limbo's (PP) full sized Humvee. Thank you to everyone who rode, drove, watched, or worked to make El Kalah's appearance successful! As a reminder, El Kalah welcomes Shriners and their families to attend every parade on the sidelines with Fezzes: Roy, August 6; and Brigham City Peach Days, September 10 are in the current schedule. Other events such as the August 17th Bar-B-Q on the East lawn and the Shriners Childrens Walk for Love on the evening of September 16th at Hogle Zoo.

Shriners Imperial Session was the first week in July in Minneapolis. Both the Potentate (PP, '21) and I were there representing El Kalah along with our Ladies. In addition, El Kalah had four more Past Potentates in attendance, PP's Simons, '87; Everett, '92; Edwards, '93; and Cook, '01. Among many items for voting, the \$20 increase in Imperial Per Capita rejected last year was again rejected by a majority of delegates. The discussion was lively, and the main demand by delegates was for more detail from the Imperial staff on budget expenditures which might be eliminated instead of raising more money from members. Following procedures in Robert's Rules of Order, the Per Capita increase issue was brought up again near the end of the session. After more lively discussion, the increase again failed. The BIG, all-Shiner parade went on for about two hours. All sorts of units marched, rode, or drove past from all over the USA, Mexico, Brazil, the Philippines, Bolivia, and Germany. Other events included 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. Please remember the following part of the By-Laws: 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 Assistant Rabban



Dear Nobles and Ladies

What a spectacular Summer we are having! I hope you enjoyed your July. El Kalah has had an eventful and historic summer. For the first time, El Kalah Shrine, it's Units and Clubs where able to participate in the Provo Freedom Festival Parade on the 4th of July. It had well over 300,000 people in attendance. Thanks to lady Ashlee Child, we had the crowd cheering for us, and we have a fun Tik Tok video to boot. Oh, if you aren't following us, please follow our El Kalah Tik Tok Account! We are trying to grow the account, so we can start some social media ideas that will benefit El Kalah.

At the Freedom Festival Parade, we were able to fill up the Yellow Stone Bus with Noble, Ladies, and family members. Clowns came, and as always, the ever-vigilant powerhouse of parades the mini bikers came. Travis McGuire drove the Yellowstone bus from Salt Lake County to Provo and back and in the Parade. A special shout out and thank you goes to him! After the 4th were two parades that the minibikes represented El Kalah at, thank you!

On July 25th was the second call out parade of the month, this time it was in Ogden. In Ogden we had John Limb driving the Potentate and his lady in a Humvee (that is Green but permanently stuck at 0% ask John). Followed by the Old re-mastered but working fire truck. Which was then followed by the mini bikers and their huge fezzes golf cart. Followed by our mounted patrol on horse patrol. In the end of our line were the LOS ladies. Thank you to Chief Rabban Al

Hokins for donating his own money to getting that fixed. Thank you to Ken Wilson for driving the fire truck to and from the parade and in the parade. Thanks to HP&P Blake Hansen for following Ken to and from the parade to make sure he was okay.

On July 17, the Clown Unit met at Kelly Groves for a cookout and elected Lynn Larsen their new president for the rest of the year. On July 24, the Minibike Unit met at the American Legion Building and had their monthly meeting, followed by yummy hamburger and hot dogs, a good time was had by all. On July 30th the mini bikers once again represented El Kalah at the Cottonwood Heights parade.

I want to remind everyone that on August 14th is the Annual BBQ in vernal. Please make plans to attend now. The community loves seeing us attend but, the members of the blue lodge and Shrine Club there really need our support. The brothers, nobles, and ladies in vernal love us and really want and need our support.

Thank you all for your support, have a wonderful August.

Sincerely

Daniel Drew, Assistant Rabban

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From the High Priest & prophet



I hope you have found your old Pinewood Derby car and dusted it off and tuned it up. Or maybe you must go buy a new one and build it. We have the track reserved; Pizza will be ordered. Jobies and DeMolay have been invited. So, you better be there for the races on September 21 at 7:30 at the Banquet Hall, in the Salt Lake Masonic Temple. Bring your family too.

Blake Hansen, High Priest & Prophet

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From the Oriental Guide



Dear Nobles, Ladies, and Friends:

The month of July was a great month of parades, and this year was our first year in Provo for the 4th of July and we had a great crowd to entertain. The Minibikes, three Clowns, the Yellowstone Bus, and the Pit Crew were all warmly received. Ashley Childs was also on hand to take our Pictures. The

Draper parade was fun with the Minibikes, Bootz the Clown, the Pit Crew, and our loyal photographer. The Pioneer Parade in Ogden was big. Washington Boulevard was crowded from the start, and we had a two-block extension to 18th from the usual end at 20th. Lunch was provided by the Ogden Shrine Club at the Ogden Masonic Temple. In Ogden we had the Minibikes, three Clowns, three Mounted Patrol, the fire truck, the Pit Crew, LOS, the Humvee with the Illustrious Potentate and his Lady, and our loyal photographer. On 17 August we will have our Shrine cookout at the Salt Lake Masonic Temple at 7 PM. We will have hamburgers, hot dogs, and a cake to celebrate our 100 years of the Shriner's Hospitals. Feel free to bring family, friends, and prospective new members. Side dishes to share are also encouraged and welcome. We have two parades in August. One on the 6th in Roy, and one in Stansbury Park on the 20th. Come and join us.

Sincerely,

Michael Katsonis, Oriental Guide

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From the Recorder



Hello everyone, no mandatory topic this month, just reminders for end of the year preparation. First the bad news, the El Kalah dues are going up by \$3.00, this was put into the El Kalah bylaws several years ago. Also, Clubs and Units need to have their 2023 officers elected by the end of October per General Order No 1. Some of the Clubs needed to update their bylaws so they could have elections in October, so if you haven't done that make sure the bylaws are updated. Club and Unit bylaw changes just need to be approved by the Potentate; they don't

go to Imperial. Dues processing begins in October so if any of your information has changed, check your account in WebFez and update as needed. If you have any questions, I can be reached at elkaharecorder02@gmail.com or 801-773-2197.

Closing thought for the month: *"The two most important days in your life are the day you are born and the day you find out why."* – **Mark Twain**

Dave Hutchinson, Recorder
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From the Chaplain



Dear Brother Nobles and friends.

Our strange weather continued this past month. Up here in the mountains where I live, we have had spurts of chilly nights, accompanied by some horrendously hot days and lots of winds interspersed with some nice rains, though not nearly enough. Mother Nature is not happy with us, it seems. As I prepare this edition of my monthly article, it is the day prior to the Ogden Pioneer Days Parade. It is overcast and cool today, but I wonder if that will be the case tomorrow. We can only hope it isn't too hot! The parades are a lot of fun and the delight of the kids, especially, is heartwarming, making it all worthwhile. Remember – the kids – that's what it is all about.

Now, it's giggle time: *A patient complained to Dr. Hugo, "I've been to three other physicians, and none of them agree with your diagnosis." Our man Hugo calmly replied, "Just wait until the autopsy. Then we'll see who was right."* ~ Mr. Bill's wife walked into the kitchen and saw him stalking around with a fly swatter. "Any luck"? she asked. "Yes," he said. "Three males and two females." She asked, "How can you tell them apart?" "Easy." Bill replied. "Three were on the been can and two were on the phone." We expect him to be released from the ER/ICU sometime next week. ~ Folks in my neighborhood sometime post notes on utility poles when they lose track of a pet. A recent one caught my eye and made me smile. LOST: Small gray and white cat. Answers to electric can opener. ~ Jeremy had a visit with his tax consultant in April and got some advice from her. She recommended a tax hike. Her exact words were "Hike deep into the woods where the IRS will never be able to find you." Try to smile, despite the pain!

Chuck Warren, Chaplain
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Traveling East Towards the Light



One of the main lessons of the MM degree is the exploration of the divine, a concept corrupted by time and man. The ancient mysteries encouraged their initiates to KNOW THYSELF. They believed that knowledge led to the knowledge of GOD. Our modern churches differ on the nature of GOD and man. The mysteries were aware of this and purposely veiled their understanding of both in allegories, myths, and symbols. They veiled their understanding in obfuscating phrases like this: *“Consciousness contains the cognizer, the thing cognized and the cognition, all three in itself and all three one.”* Modern man is likely to scoff at the above as too esoteric, or too nebulous, if not outright flaky. Their loss. He would also have trouble with another way the mysteries addressed these concepts: THE DRAGON OF WISDOM. The Hebrews called it ECHOD, who created all MATTER. Some philosophies consider MATTER to be evil or fallen. Therefore, the Serpent is often portrayed as evil. The ancient believed they saw ABOVE, in the form of the Milky Way, the Serpent crossing the skies, a symbol of both ABOVE and BELOW. The Serpent, according to the Greeks, was also the symbol of THE LOGOS. So, brethren, let us be “ss wise as serpents” as we journey East in search of THE DRAGON OF WISDOM.

Hugo Rodier, MD

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From the Ladies Oriental Shrine



WOW!! I can't believe it's August already! Time is marching on soon our court will be hosting WAOUM right here in Salt Lake City! I hope everyone is having a great summer and staying safe. The Ogden Days went well, and we would like to thank Lady Mary and her husband for the use of their trailer. I appreciated the invitation to ride in the 4th of July parade with all of you in Provo. It was a blast! There were a lot of kids, and we were playing Rock, Paper, Scissors with them from the bus! Our Grand Visitation with the Grand High Priestess has not been rescheduled yet but looks like it will be sometime in February or March. I look forward to planning something with El Kalah when she comes to visit. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to help with the golf tournament on August 15th or anything else you have planned. I'm also looking forward to August and the “dog days of summer”, as we continue to prepare for September!

Kimberley Stenner, High Priestess

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Shrine Family Calendar of Events

August 6 Price Club BBQ after International parade (not participating in parade), Jason Varner 801-231-6248

August 7 4:00 pm Ogden LOS Club Picnic, Sweet's Residence, Candy Sweet 801-791-5376

August 12 Noon, Vernal Shrine BBQ. El Kalah and their families and friends are invited to this event.

August 12 1:00 pm, Ogden Shrine Club Steak Fry, OMT, Tim Stenner 801-791-7138

August 15 9:00 am, Children's Charity Golf Classic Ogden CC PP Lynn Larsen 801-266-1655

August 17 6:00 pm, El Kalah BBQ, SLC Masonic Temple, Blake Hansen 801-850-2434

Send Shrine Family Calendar of Events updates to
Dave Hutchinson, Recorder at Daveh9391@gmail.com

There will be a masonic memorial service conducted by the officers and members of Unity Lodge #18 for Brother W Rory Youngberg Saturday, August 6 at First Presbyterian Church, Ogden, 880 E 28th Street, Ogden with a welcome by the family at 10:00am, the service at 10:30am and a reception immediately following in the courtyard. An internment with military honors will be conducted at Leavitt's Mortuary, 836 36th Street, Ogden at 1:00pm. All are welcome.

Memorial Luncheon Celebration

Eleanor H. Carlston, P.S.Q. Daughters of the Nile
1920 – June 7, 2020

September 10, 2022, 12:00 – 2:00 P.M

Salt Lake Masonic Temple, Banquet Room, 650 E. South Temple
Salt Lake City, Utah 84102

RSVP 801 815-4315

Shrine Family Photo Album

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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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El Kalah Shriners



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September 21, 2022 7:00 pm

Salt Lake City Masonic Temple

DeMolay & Job's Daughters Invited to Compete

Follow BSA Pinewood Derby Rules

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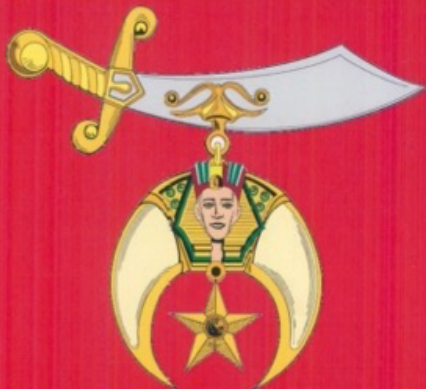
Dinner is Pizza

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Blake Hansen at brotherblake7@gmail.com

The Shriners



Fundraiser

Welcome, welcome one and all. The Uintah Basin Shrine Club is proud to hold its annual fundraiser BBQ.

Tickets can be purchased at the event or from Brian Gorum at State Farm or Brett Reynold at Guild Mortgage in Vernal.

A portion of proceeds go to freemasonic/shrine charity.

Uintah Basin Shrine Club's 64th Annual BBQ

Date and Time

- ✓ Sunday, August 14, 2022
- ✓ 12:00noon-5:00pm

Menu

- ✓ Pulled Pork Sandwiches
- ✓ Potato Salad
- ✓ Beans
- ✓ Corn on the Cob
- ✓ Desserts and Refreshments

Ticket Information

- ✓ Tickets: \$10.00 per person
- ✓ Children 8 years of age and younger eat free!

Location

- Colton Pavilion, Vernal Park
- 900 West 500 North
- Vernal, Utah 84078

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Shriners Children's Salt Lake City cordially invites you to

Walk for LOVE

AT HOGLE ZOO!

Friday, September 16, 2022

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

at Shriners Children's

Friday, September 16

10 a.m.	Facility Tours
12 p.m.	Lunch
1 p.m.	Board Meeting (Shriners)
2:30 p.m.	Free time

Walk for LOVE

at Hogle Zoo

Friday, September 16

5 p.m.	Dinner
6 p.m.	Walk for LOVE begins
9 p.m.	Event concludes

Register for either our Walk for LOVE at the zoo, or our Virtual Walk, at walkforlove.org. RSVP for tours, lunch and dinner to Kathy Kelly Huston at 801-536-3700 by September 9.

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