EL KORAH (**) SHRINERS DESERT DUST

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December 2019 Stated Meeting

The next Stated Meeting of El Korah Shriners will be on Wednesday, December 11, 2019 at El Korah Shrine in Boise.

Election of Officers for 2020 will be held at that time.

Social starts at 6:00 pm, dinner by Br. Carlas is at 6:30 pm, and the meeting will start at 7:30 pm. Come on down and enjoy fraternal fun with your fellow Nobles!

Club and Unit Reports are Due

It is critical that all Clubs and Units report the names of their officers for 2020 to the Recorder's Office by December 31. You also need to provide your financial statement so it can be included in our reports to Imperial. If you have any questions, please contact the Recorder's office!

Annual All Masonic

Christmas Party

Sunday December 8, 2019

CI Korah Shring is proud to host our Masonic Families and invites you to join us for a full turkey dinner, complete with all the trimmings, caroling, crafts and an afternoon of fun and fellowship.

> tpm – 3pm doors will open at 12:30 El Korah Shring Temple

Santa arrives at 2:30 pm and the kids will take home a personalized ornament.



EL KORAH SHRINE 2019 OFFICERS Elected Officers

Potentate	Garland A. Risner
Chief Rabban	Rick Holloway
Assistant Rabban	Will Votaw
High Priest & Prophet.	Dale Rutter
Oriental Guide	Ray Schild
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Assistant DirectorJimmy Hansen
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Steve Priest

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2020 Dues

Dues notices for 2020 have gone out. Please help your Shrine stay strong by paying your 2020 Dues! Call the Recorder's office at 208-343-0571 for assistance. Thank you!



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Visit to the Salt Lake Shrine Hospital

Noble Senate Eskridge is putting together a trip to the Shrine Hospital for Children in Salt Lake City. This trip will be on December 13, 2019 and will be a great opportunity to tour the hospital with a guide and see what they do. It is a really wonderful hospital and a trip you will never forget. Call Noble Senate Eskridge at 208-308-6482 to be a part of this event!

Potentate's Page by Garland A. Risner, Potentate

Hopefully everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving and made it through Black Friday. It's hard to believe that this year is nearly over!

Our Fall Ceremonial was an absolute blast and what an honor to present a fez to each of our new nobles. Congratulations to the recipients of the newly named "Martin Award" for Nobility Achievement, Mischa Brady, Dave Brannon, and Ron Bishop. Ron received the Gold Crown Achievement for top line signing a new noble. We wanted to recognize John Martin who was one of the original founders of that award in 2013. We also honored the Twin Falls Shrine Club with Club of the Year, the Sand Duners with Unit of the Year, Max Bearden for Shriner of the Year, and Illustrious Sir Bob Stevenson with the Lifetime Achievement Award. It's wonderful to identify the folks who work so hard and long for their contributions and all of them were justly deserved.

Our November meeting included our ladies for an "Empty Bowl" painting event for the food bank. The Jobies from Bethel 29 had a dessert auction and our guest auctioneer, David Wesley and his son did a great job of auctioning all those yummy desserts. Thank you to everyone who bought those desserts as it was a major financial help to that bethel. Rick Holloway did a great job in the east for "Chief Rabban Night" and we're looking forward to his leadership next year.

Our East / West Football game is in the books and was well attended. The 8 man game was won by the East and the 11 man game was won by the West. Those guys played their hearts out and showed great sportsmanship and athleticism. Thanks to the players, coaches, officials, and parents who make that game possible. Thank you to all the nobles and ladies who volunteered and helped with the game. A huge Thank You to Illustrious Sir Corey Turner for another successful game this year. Great Job!

We had the first Masonic Information Night that we have had in several years on November 21st and of the 11 non-Masons/Shriners at last count we had 7 Masonic Lodge petitions, 3 Shrine petitions and one who is waiting until next year. We were all a little rusty at this but it's really hard to argue with the success. Thank you to all those who came and brought interested prospects and most of all to those who spoke. Great job everyone! Hopefully these will continue in the future.

Our December Stated meeting will be busy with elections for our 2020 board, and a vote on the course of action for the temple. As a follow up to our Town Hall meeting on October 26th, we will poll the nobility to see if there is an interest in exploring the sale of El Korah's building or staying where we are. As a courtesy to the nobility we sent a postcard informing the nobility of the vote. This is NOT an official action nor do the results constitute any form of contract. We could have brought this motion for the vote from the floor in the December meeting. The 2019 board has made every effort to keep the nobility informed and the postcards were another example so everyone is aware of what is going on.

On behalf of Sue and I, thank you to the nobles of El Korah for the honor of serving as your 2019 Potentate and First Lady! This was an incredible year filled with memories we will always cherish. From Installation, the Strategic Planning Session in McCall, to the Potentate's Ball, having two Ceremonials for the first time in many years, the Circus with Shorty the Clown and Sweet Pea, having the Sand Duners and 24 people at Imperial, throwing out the first pitch at a Hawks game, the Sportsmans Classic, the Fez Lunches, Brother Browns in the kitchen, the Nobility Nights and Tailgate Parties. Thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make these events so successful!

Sue and I are looking forward to honoring the tradition of hosting the Divan at our home for the December meeting / Christmas party to say "Thank You" as 2019 was simply an unbelievably memorable year! By the 10th of December, I will hopefully have visited every Masonic Lodge from Mountain Home to Weiser, to Cascade. What a joy it is to sit in so many blue lodges this year!

I can't begin to express my gratitude to the members and the ladies of El Korah and especially the Divan for this once in a lifetime opportunity. Thank you for the belief that we could create so much momentum this year. The meetings with the 2019 board of directors that started over a year ago really has been working with the most honorable and dedicated men with whom I have ever served! We have come a really long ways in just a year.

Most of all, there is no way to express enough gratitude to my wife Sue for all she has done in support of this journey at El Korah over the past 10 or 12 years. I am truly blessed and indebted beyond explanation because she is always there with a smile and she is without a doubt one of the finest First Ladies El Korah has ever seen!

We're looking forward to attending as many Christmas Parties as our schedule allows just to say "Thank You" to our hard working clubs and units as you are truly the lifeblood of our fraternity. As we move toward Christmas please know that Sue and I wish each and every one of you all of the blessings, peace and love that you all so richly deserve. May God bless each and every one of you! P-19, Out!

With many thanks, Illustrious Sir Garland A Risner Lady Sue Risner

Leadership Team, Divan and El Korah Events By Will Votaw, Assistant Rabban

Dear Nobles,

Nobles, on behalf of your 2019 Divan, we would like to thank all of the Nobles, and their Ladies, for all the work you have done for our Shrine and our Hospitals over the past year.

I would like to take this opportunity to discuss the Leadership Team, Divan and attendance/support at all El Korah Events.

The Elected Divan are always looking for Nobles who are interested in being part of the Leadership Team, an Appointed Divan Member, on a Committee, or just being more active/involved with El Korah events, beyond just being a Member. The Divan members have become very close and enjoy getting together and making great things happen at El Korah.

Apart from the 7 elected board members, there are 9 appointed officers. If any Noble is interested in being part of the Appointed Divan, please talk to the Assistant Rabban, High Priest & Prophet and/or the Outer Guard. We have several committees and will find the right fit for you. These elected officers, if elected, will be the future Potentates. The appointed officers are not asked to serve over night. Typically, elected officers talk to Nobles and make observances while in the line. For the most part, the current Elected Divan have had several planning meetings, and most offices are filled for 2020. We'll always find a position for someone wanting to make a difference.

This does not mean we are not always looking for Nobles to be officers. Circumstances change all the time. Nobles and their Ladies have job changes, illnesses, family responsibility changes, etc. that require them to no longer continue as an officer. We all work together to make sure everyone is taken care of and the jobs get done.

There are several committees that plan/run major events at El Korah, they include the Circus, Sportsman Classic, Fundraising, Membership, Building & Oasis, Football, Insurance, etc. We are always in need of Nobles who are willing to be on committees. It takes many Nobles to help run/work on these committees. We will be discussing at the next, and several other meetings, the future of us staying in, or leaving our building. No matter which path is chosen, we will need Nobles to work on the decisions made by the Nobility. If we decide to stay, we will need Nobles who can be on the Building Committee. If we decide to move, we will need Nobles willing to be on a committee that investigates our options, moving forward.

Regarding El Korah events, in general, we need as many of the Nobles and their Ladies to work whenever possible. "Rumors" have been circulating that some Nobles have not shown up to work at events as they were not personally asked. Come out and join us anyway and get involved in the fun and camaraderie as that is what this is all about. We have a great time at these events, and everyone walks away with a smile.

Nobles, it takes many of us, and our Ladies, a large amount of time, effort and planning to make El Korah events a success. The more help a Noble and/or their Lady can be, the better our events can be. Please know that your Divan and their Ladies are tirelessly working to make our events a success. When it comes to being on the Divan, there are a limited number of official titles and we are always happy to find a position for anyone wanting to get involved. We are very fortunate at El Korah, that we have so many who are willing to be a positive influence as a Divan Member. Please know it is no easy task the Elected Divan faces in trying to fill Divan and Committee Officers.

If any Noble is interested in playing a more active role with El Korah, please let a member of the Elected Divan know. If you don't say something, we don't know you are wanting to get more involved. Being a Divan and Committee member takes a higher level of commitment than just being a member. You will find the rewards of involvement far outweigh the effort involved. Even if you can help at a only few events, please let us know as we're always glad to have you.

We can accomplish more as a group, than just one Noble. We all come from different backgrounds, have different ideas, suggestions, experiences, strengths and weaknesses. But together, we can achieve so much more together.

Again, THANK YOU, to all Nobles and Ladies of El Korah for what you have done the past year, in previous years, and hopefully for years to come.

Fraternally,
Will Votaw, Assistant Rabban

Social 6:00 pm | Dinner 7:00 PM

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Champagne Toast at 12:00 PM EST

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What an Honor! Sue Risner, First Lady of El Korah 2019

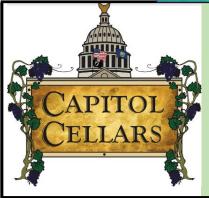
I am humbled and very appreciative of every Lady on the Divan along with the past First Ladies and the Ladies and Nobles of El Korah Shrine. This year has been amazing, rewarding and forever memorable. It could not have happened without vour support. kindness and encouragement from everyone. My First Lady's project of selling White Chili Soup Starters has been a huge success and I will report the final dollar amount being donated to the nonprofit organization "Augmentative Alternative Communication (AAC) Camp" at Shriners Hospitals for Children in Portland in mid-December. A big shout out of gratitude and thankfulness to the Clubs and Units who supported my project this year as it is because of you and every Noble and Lady of El Korah Shrine who have successfully made it possible to fully funding the ACC camp for 40 children next year a reality! I am so honored to have served you this year as your First Lady of El Korah Shrine. Illustrious Sir Garland and I will take some of our most cherished memories from this past year as we had an incredible time all year long. To be a part of so much positive change is truly gratifying and a fitting conclusion to a 10 plus year commitment. To say that we were both very proud to serve is really an understatement as the rewards and gratification were simply amazing!! It has been my privilege and I am deeply honored to have served this year as your First Lady of El Korah Shrine. As this year and his term come to a conclusion we want to wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and wish love and peace in the years to come. May God bless us all!

Heartfelt thank you to everyone, Sue Risner, First Lady of El Korah - 2019



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Divan Ladies Bowl Painting Night Sue Risner, First Lady of El Korah 2019

The Divan Ladies held our last FUN event for 2019 on November 13th while the Nobles attended their Stated Meeting. We had over 25 in attendance to paint bowls to support the Idaho Foodbank's Empty Bowl Project! A huge thank you to Lady Jackie Holloway and Lady DeeDee Votaw for orchestrating this rewarding affair to make a difference for others in our community. It was not only ladies of El Korah Shrine in attendance as we had family and friends including some younger ones creating amazing bowls to donate. Thank you all who participated to make it another memorable event.

Heartfelt thank you, First Lady Sue Risner

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Portland Shrine Hospital Report

By Rick Holloway, Board of Governors

As the Portland Shrine Hospital concludes 2019, we are pleased to report that this was an exceptional year providing care to more kids efficiently and effectively. Collaborative efforts between Portland and the Spokane Hospital will almost certainly improve operational metrics for both hospitals. We will share more information on these efforts as they come to fruition. It has been a positive dialogue that will increase the visibility of the Shrine Hospitals and improve our efficiency and quality of services.

Outpatient encounters are on track to be 10% higher than last year along with increases in inpatient discharges and surgical encounters. We continue to become more efficient in terms of staff full time equivalents per case mix adjusted patient day, all while improving Net Patient Revenue. Look for continued growth in inpatient and outpatient activity from the Portland Hospital in the coming year!



Salt Lake City Hospital Report

by Ray Westmoreland, PP Board of Governors

There is a hospital visit coming up on December 13. Contact Dave Brannan, Senate Eskridge, or the Recorder's office to RSVP. If you haven't been to the Salt Lake Hospital, or it has been a long time since your last visit, here's your chance to visit!

October highlights

Decorated 32 wheelchairs for Halloween

Spirit Halloween sold some of the designs in their stores

We expect a \$100,000 donation from them in January

Daily census is holding at 2.9

Building Engineer, Rick Watts, is retiring. We are hiring a full time electrician which will cut our costs. Two years ago, we hired a full time plumber, which resulted in a savings of \$60,000 per year due to previous use of contractors

Other highlights for 2019:
121 patient Ambassadors
Top Workplace in Salt Lake City-5 years in a row
Treated 5,300 kids last year
Dr. Santora is retiring
Meeting with staff on hospital system changes
Started a Patient Family Advisor Committee
Kevin Martin, Hospital Administrator, received an award
from the American College of Health Care Executives

From our Imperial Divan Representative Imperial Sir Mark Hartz: Our goal is to treat more kids in more places. Pasadena and Galveston are now called "Shriners Healthcare for Children."

Nobility Achievement by Dave Bennett

We recently had our Fall Ceremonial and several new Nobles were recognized with the Nobility Achievement Awards. As a reminder, the Nobility Achievement Award a program to assist our newest nobles find out more about clubs, units, activities and functions available to them as members of El Korah Shrine. Some of our new nobles have joined clubs and parade units and are active in El Korah activities.

If you are one of our newest nobles and would like to know more about activities, please reach out to any of our nobles. All are happy to answer questions and help out. If you are one of our long time members and know one of our newest nobles, please reach out to them to encourage them to get involved.

We are continuing the Nobility Achievement Awards next year, and the new Nobles joining El Korah during the Spring and Fall Ceremonials will have the opportunity to earn the Achievement Award. Let's keep the momentum going and make sure our new Nobles feel welcome and appreciated, whether it is being part of a club or unit or being involved in the many events held each year.

Nomad News by Warren Hill, Scout

The Nomad RV Club elected the following officers for 2020: Trailboss (president): Bob Martin; Assistant Trailboss (vice president): Mitch Davis; Scout (secretary/treasurer): Warren Hill. Campouts for 2020 were selected. Outings include:

April 27-29, Ambassador RV Resort, Caldwell May 21-24, Hagerman RV Village, Hagerman June 22-24, Bully Creek Reservoir Campground, OR Jul 30-Aug 1st, Mountain View RV Park, Baker City, OR Aug 27-30, Challis Hot Springs, Challis

We welcomed new Nomads at the meeting. David and Terri Brannan and David and Harriet Bennett are the newest Nomads. Nomads RV Club welcomes all Shriners who enjoy the outdoors to join us for fun and fellowship. You don't have to own a recreational vehicle to participate as many of the outing locations have cabins or BnBs available. We have fun all summer long.

Greeters Greetings By Ed Hulme, President

The Greeters Unit held our November 1st meeting in conjunction with El Korah's Nobility Night. We had a short meeting them joined the nobility for a festive evening. The Unit decided we would extend our Doll House Raffle drawing to the All Masonic Christmas party December 8th. We will continue to sell our tickets up until and during the party. We plan to draw the winning ticket before Santa arrives.

We will hold our annual Christmas Party December 15th at The Riverside Hotel. The new officers for 2020 will be installed by Ill. Sir Garland Risner.

We wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Fall Ceremonial Update by Dave Bennett

The Fall Ceremonial gave us 9 new nobles. They bring with them enthusiasm and many skills. We are proud to have them as new members. It's up to all of us to help them get involved. During the banquet following the ceremonial, we presented Nobility Achievement awards to three of our 2019 nobles. This award is activities to help our new nobles learn about and get involved in El Korah activities. Nobility Achievement Awards were presented to Mischa Brady and David Brannen and the Gold Crown Nobility Achievement Award was presented to Ron Bishop. Congratulations Mischa, David and Ron!

If you are one of our newest nobles and would like to know more about activities, please reach out to any of our nobles or the Divan members. All are happy to answer questions and help out. If you are one of our long time members and know one of our newest nobles, please reach out to them to encourage them to get involved.

From the Idaho Statesman, November 22, 1915

CYMBALS CLANG WHEN PILGRIMS REACH MECCA

Forty-nine Wend Tortuous Way O'er Blistering Sands to Reach Haven

El Korah Shrine Scene of Impressive Ceremonies when Initiation Takes Place

Forty-nine pilgrims wended their torturous [sic] way across the burning sands of the desert to reach far-famed Mecca on Saturday evening, and when at last the glint of the evening sun shone on the turrets and pinnacles of the mosque, and when the weary plodders found within meat and drink with which to cheer the tired souls, there was great rejoicing. Voices were raised on high to give thanks, and tinkling cymbals slammed out the news that 49 new Shriners had arrived to be added to the list of Fez wearers in southern and eastern Idaho.

It was some ceremony. Visiting Shriners were there from far-off places, West Virginia, Washington, D.C., Philadelphia, New York and other cities. More than 300 sat at meat when the impressive ceremonies were over, and more than 300 testified that the initiations were the most successful ever conduct by the officers of the El Korah Shrine, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

Special cars came from Idaho Falls, Pocatello and Twin Falls, bearing candidates for the awful ordeal which would lead them to their cherished goal. But they stood it bravely. There was not a novitiate in the whole bunch that quailed before the torture, or who complained that his feet hurt after having pressed the smarting sands from which arose shimmering heat waves withering in their density. Everybody was game.

Illustrious Potentate Byron Hyatt, in whose hands was the magic wand that brought about the transformation scenes, was more illustrious than ever, and then came Chief Raban Frank Wyman, Assistant Raban Franklin I. Coates, High Priest and Prophet Hugh McGirr, Oriental Guide Charles Callard, First Ceremonial Master Charles Harkinson, Second Ceremonial Master Sidney C. Fuld, Outer Guard Howard Stein, Captain of Patrol Charles O Nelson. From inside circles comes the information all played well their parts.

The traditional banquet was served at 10:30 in the mosque. Promptly at 12 o'clock the High and Mighty Thumper of the Cymbals announced that another day had dawned, whereat the wearers of the Fez wiped their chins with their napkins and dispersed.



IRAS TEMPLE NO. 40, DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE BY LINDA GRAY, PRINCESS BADOURA

Since my last communication with you, many things have been going on at Iras Temple. The official visit of Supreme Queen Dale Obernalte occurred on Oct. 23. In addition, our ceremonial at the Official Visit allowed us to induct 9 new princesses into Iras Temple No. 40. What a delight for us!! We are now 455 strong and growing. The School of Knowledge followed on Saturday and was enthusiastically attended by 5 of our new princesses. All were treated to wonderful brunch and a very impressive School with our very informative power point presentation.

Next on our agenda was the Veterans Day Parade on Nov 2. Pr. Tirzah, Laura Otto, represented us well with our salute and many thanks to all our Veterans.

Following this parade, we launched into our annual Style Show. With all the new fashions, silent auctions, and raffles, we had a very successful show. We had fashions from Chicos, J. Jill, and the Assistance League. The models were all Nile princesses and Past Queens and were so beautifully dressed and ready for any occasion. Lunch was catered by Skye, and found everyone pleased with a myriad of food and topped by very good cheesecake to please any princess.

MEMBERSHIP by Max Bearden

Since our Ceremonial in November, we have received one new petition for membership in El Korah. At the Masonic Information night we received three petitions for Blue Lodge.

We are at a critical moment in El Korah's history. We need members. Only you are responsible for obtaining and keeping El Korah a viable organization.

REMEMBER, EVERY ONE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MEMBERSHIP.

So ask a brother, friend or neighbor to join El Korah Shrine and make a difference. A lot of kids depend on us.

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Thanksgiving and Christmas is a time we all give thanks for the many treasures in our lives. On Nov. 23, we were excited to participate in the Boise Holiday Parade. Our float was lovely with an ancient and old sleigh carrying our Queen, Carol McGinnis. With us also were "snow princesses" in the names of Pr. Royal, Sony Yates, and JrPQ, Jackie Holloway. Then there were, THE ELVES! Pr. Tiirzah, Laura Otto was our head elf in charge of the workshop, and was well supported by elves sharing candy with the children along the route, approximately 1,250 suckers to be exact. Then there were child elves, and not so child elves everywhere on our float. We also had a baby elf "Adalynn" cared for by Rudolph, also her father. All of this brought us our third trophy in this parade. We won the Best Theme Float!! We will have to get a new Trophy Case?? Good for us!! Below are some pictures of our float and participants.

Now, December is upon us, and we will participate in the Meridian Parade of Lights. Our float will be glowing as we add lights to our "winter wonderland." Don't miss us in Meridian on December 6 at 6:00 P.M. We might win another trophy!

December 19 is our stated session!

Finishing our calendar year, we will celebrate the old and new year with the Temple Dancers and Pageantry presenting a 2020 New Years Gala. This years' theme is "2020 at the Oscars." Yes, there will be a RED CARPET. The tickets are available from any dancer and are \$50.00 per person. Wishing each and everyone a lovely holiday season.



Notice Regarding the Mailed Version of the Desert Dust

Dear Nobles,

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Fraternally yours, Ray Westmoreland, PP, Recorder recorder@elkorahshrine.com (208) 343-0571

Chaplain's Corner by Santa Bob Albert, Chaplain

Greetings my fellow Nobles, it is with much sorrow that I report the Black Camel Caravan has visited our Oasis and gathered several Nobles for their final Caravan.

Noble William R. Smith, born May 6th, 1927- October 29, 2019

Noble Floyd Eugene Hodkinson, born January 29,1927 - October 29, 2019

Sunshine Report: Noble Dave Triplett underwent 3 stents last week and is resting and recuperating in the warm Mexico sun, rest up Noble Dave.

Noble John Matthews is recovering from back surgery, he had some complications and has been moved to a hospital closer to his home. Please remember John and his family in your prayers.

Remember life is short, keep in touch with your loved ones and friends.

Santa Bob Chaplain of El Korah Shrine



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Duners Doings by Santa Bob Albert, President

Merry Christmas from the El Korah Sand Duners; The Unit of the Year!

We had our elections and the new offficers are: President: Santa Bob; VP: Dave Bennett; Treasurer: Jeremiah Leammon (also new member); Secretary: Justin Boyer; Parade Master: Ray Breshears; Screening Clinic: Justin Peterson. Congratulations to you, all the new officers.

We are having a combined Christmas Party with the Tin Lizzies on December 21, 2019 at 6pm. Contact Doug Blandford (208-691-7094) to RSVP.

Feburary 8, 2020 will be the Sweethearts Annual Gala that will be a great way to spend the Valentine's Day together. Parade Season is over for the Duners. From Baker City to Nashville, your El Korah Sand Duners represented El Korah in style. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you all!

Players Playbill

The cast for the 2020 Melodrama has already been rehearsing. The play is "How The West Was Worn" and will be another memorable performance.

The Players performed the second section of the Fall Ceremonial in November. We wish to give a special thank you to our sound and lights crew. To our new Nobles, Welcome to El Korah!

Parking Options at El Korah

During the work week meetings - Metered Parking is available on the street. For the use of Summers Funeral Home parking - Kim will be calling Summers on Monday afternoon to get a schedule of their services during the week. Please have ONE person who is a representative of your group call Kim in the Recorder's Office to see if Summers lot is available during your meeting time. Summers is requesting that you place a permit sign "available in the office" on your dash board if you use their lot. At any time, however, if you see a "Funeral Today" sign posted at Summers, please do not park in their lot unless you are attending the funeral.

Evening and weekend meetings - parking is open to the public on a first come, first serve basis on the lot directly north of the temple building. Our Recorder, Ray Westmoreland, has made special arrangements with the owners of this lot. If you are ticketed while in the lot north of the Temple, please see the Recorder's office. Street parking is available and Summers lot is also an option for us. It is important that we respect the generosity of the folks at Summers and make sure we are always courteous and respectful of their property. Summers has always been gracious and kind about us using their lot when it's available. That is not a privilege that we want to jeopardize and doing so could cost the unit, club, or group to lose the use of El Korah also.



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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
All Masonic Christmas Party	Divan Meeting (Christmas Party) Twin Falls SC	Tin Lizzies US Klowns	STATED MEETING ELECTIONS			
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Greeters Christmas Party	Twin Falls SC Black Light Christmas Party	Nile Sewing/Cards		Meridian SC		Sand Duners Christmas Party
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	El Korah Clowns Payette SC		Christmas			
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
		Dancer's New Years Eve Party				Installation of 2020 Officers of El Korah
Januar	y 2020	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
			Happy New Year!	First Thursday Practice for Installation Dinner 6:00 Practice 7:00	Players Greeters	Installation of 2020 El Korah officers Installation 2:00 pm
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	Directors Divan		Stated meeting			
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	El Korah Clowns Wood River SC Twin Falls SC	Cameleers High Country SC	Band			93rd Ann EW Shrine Game-FL Iras Temple No. 40 Winter Ceremonial Club/Unit Meeting
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	Payette/SR SC Black Light Patrol Directors MLK Day	Sand Duners Southeast ID SC	Caldwell SC Sutary Klowns Red Neck Cul Club Band	Nomads	BLP Crab Feed Upper Snake Rvr SC	Black Light Patrol Crab Feed
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
	Snake River SC					

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