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### 2018 Sweethearts MASQUERADE AUCTION

Please join us for our 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Sweethearts Dinner Auction, & Dance on February 10<sup>th</sup> at El Korah Temple.

Cocktails @ 5:30 pm

Dinner @ 6:30 pm

Auction @ 7:30 pm

Dancing to Follow

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Thank you!



*"One hundred  
years from now it  
will not matter  
what my bank  
account was, the  
sort of house I  
lived in, or the  
kind of car I drove  
... but the world  
may be different  
because I was  
important in the  
life of a child."*

February 2018 Stated Meeting

The next Stated Meeting of El Korah Shriners will be on Wednesday, February 14, at El Korah. Social starts at 6:00 pm, dinner at 6:30 pm, and the stated meeting starts at 7:30 pm.



## Potentate's Page

By Dave Thomas



We are officially off and running, maybe Limping! Installation was the best, many thanks to the Past Potentates that put it all together, they actually made me feel I could really handle the year ahead, hmm? We had planned for 80 people and ended up with 120, Noble Serna and the P.F. Changs' staff provided the excellent food and quickly reacted to the shortfall, hopefully everyone got fed. The Stated Meeting went fairly well, Noble Jay Garrett was presented with a new Fez as an Ambassador Emeritus.

The "Elite" Black Light Patrol presented a \$2500 check to the SLC Hospital for Operating Room lights. Keep in mind, if you personally or your club or unit is contemplating donating to one of our hospitals, make sure it is designated for a specific purpose, otherwise it will probably end up in Tampa's general fund. Then came the first bad news, 4 Black Camels and 3 Demits, four days into the job and down seven, amazing how one thinks he has things pretty much under control and up jumps the Devil.

NOBILITY Night, January 19<sup>th</sup>, spaghetti and meatballs by Chef Baron, once again the elusive "chocolate cake" failed to show. After dinner the Nobles and Ladies adjourned to the Oasis and enjoyed music by Freudian Slip. Noble Blake set up the Tiger Room for movie night, feature presentation was "The Lego Movie" not much participation by our young Nobles but it will improve, I had never seen or wanted to see this movie but feeling sorry for Jose's son Kenry and Will's daughter McKenzie, I toughed it out, fortunately Kenry explained what was going on so I really enjoyed it. Nobles, help us out, we want to make your Shrine the place to go for a fun filled evening with your family providing entertainment for everyone, Kids eat free and dinner is reasonable.

January 20<sup>th</sup> was the Unit & Clubs meeting, well-orchestrated by Noble Jesse and Noble Noah, it is always nice when a seemingly huge event becomes totally transparent, thanks guys. Donuts and coffee in the morning and a PF Changs for lunch, I ended up at the D.O.N. Ceremonial for soup and salad. I am very pleased with the number of clubs and units that have turned in their financial reports and their 2018 officers and contact info. The Directory goes to press soon if you want your info to be correct get it to Kim, Art, Gary Betts or myself or forever hold your peace, 2018 Directories will be available for our February Stated Meeting.

Winter PNSA is in Coeur d'Alene, February 15<sup>th</sup> through the 17<sup>th</sup>, we presently have four Nobles signed up, the Temple has budgeted for 7 registrations, if you want to go, please contact the office for details, most meals are included in the registration package, you will be responsible for your own lodging. Find yourself a room mate and join in the fun.

Nobility Night in February is scheduled for the 23<sup>rd</sup>, the Half Pints Club is hosting the event, their theme is a Toga Party, they will have prizes, games and music, Togas are optional (you still need to wear something of course!) We will again have Movie Night for the younger set in the Tiger Room, hope to see you there.

See you all at Stated Meeting the 14<sup>th</sup> of February, it being Valentine's Day I'm sure we will have Red Velvet Cake for dessert???

Yours in the Faith,  
David E. Thomas, Potentate 2018 and Lady Pam

## 2018 Burn Awareness Program

It is well known that the Shriners Hospital for Children treat patients, teach medical students and conduct research studies for the benefit of children. They also sponsor a Burns Awareness program to help prevent pediatric burn injuries to children and ask us Shriners, the hospital owners, to distribute the materials for them.

The annual campaign kicks off in the month of February for the ensuing year by providing Burns Awareness materials such as posters, activity books and fact sheets. Throughout the Treasure Valley last year there were 26,500 B/A publications distributed, including 7,000 distributed by Fire Department's to second graders. The remainder were distributed to pre-schools, private schools, Boys & Girls Clubs, YMCA's, non-profit health organizations and individuals who utilize them in their churches and civic organizations.

All Nobles are encouraged to participate in this campaign by picking up materials at the February stated meeting and distribute to Shrine clubs and units, family members, friends, neighbors, fellow workers, social clubs, church groups, etc.

If anyone knows of any pre-schools, private schools or others that have not been receiving the materials and wish to receive them please call 208 376 1035.

[www.shrinershospitalsforchildren.org/beburnaware](http://www.shrinershospitalsforchildren.org/beburnaware)

## Players Playbill

The Players Unit, along with several Ladies and others, are rehearsing twice per week now and will be ready for a super star performance in this year's Melodrama!

This year's play is called, "Headed South from the Great White North" or "Get Out of Toronto Pronto!" Many of the usual performers, along with some new talent, will be practicing their Thespian magic on the El Korah stage on March 9-10 and March 16-17, 2018.

Tickets are still a low, low \$12.50 each and are available at the Recorder's office. Don't forget dinner each night for \$15. On March 17, the Players Unit will be putting on a full corned beef and cabbage Irish dinner, also for only \$15.

For more information on the Melodrama or to purchase tickets, please contact the Recorder's office at 208-343-0571



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## El Korah American Legion Post 100



Many El Korah members are war era veterans. As such, many of we Shriner Veterans came together to form an American Legion Post made up of Shriners who meet at the Temple. You don't have to be a combat veteran to belong, just on active duty for any amount of time during a recognized conflict. Idaho Legionnaires are very supportive of many youth programs, as well as many community activities and services. With your membership, you will be given an American Legion membership card that you can proudly show to anyone.

If you are an eligible veteran, contact Adjutant Bob Finney at (208) 559-4385 or Commander Dick Swift (208) 890-5691 to join the American Legion at El Korah Shrine. We meet on the third Friday of each month at 12:00 for lunch at El Korah. Our meeting is after lunch, and usually starts about 12:30. Last year, we won an award for largest percentage of growth in our District. Our next meeting will be February 16, 2018. We charge \$5.00 for a lunch of soup and sandwich. The yearly dues for the Legion are \$35.00 and anyone who served at the eligible time on active duty is invited to join.



### IRAS TEMPLE NO. 40, DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE

BY SONJIA YATES,  
PRINCESS BADOURA

Greetings to all El Korah Nobles,

I hope you've had a great start to you 2018. Ours started off very fun with our Salt Lake OV and Hospital tour. It was so great to see another temple and their ceremony. The ladies were all so wonderful to get to know. We had our ceremonial on the 20th and brought in 10 new princesses. It's so hard to believe our Queen Jenny is almost done with her year! She has done a wonderful job as our Queen, I'm so honored to have her in my life.

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## Portland Shrine Hospital Report

Rick Holloway, Board of  
Governors

The Portland Shrine Hospital finished 2017 by exceeding most of its operational parameters and expectations. While the total number of inpatient surgeries dropped to 322 for 2017, outpatient surgeries were the highest in the past seven years at 884. This more reflects the designation of whether a patient is considered and inpatient or outpatient based on payer or regulatory parameters than the intensity of the surgery.

The January Board meeting was held on the 29<sup>th</sup>, and was the first Board meeting for Dereesa Reid, our new Administrator, as well as Mike Mastropaolo and three other new Board members. Dave Worel from Al Aska Shrine in Anchorage, Alaska took over as Chairman of the Board of Governors this meeting as well. We are excited about the upcoming year with the new leadership at the hospital, and with the addition of more surgeons last year, we expect to have an even more successful 2018!

## NOBILITY NIGHT

Join your fellow Nobles and families on February 23, 2018 for Nobility Night! Please watch your email for additional information on the program for the evening. Word is it will be a Toga Party!

**2018 MELODRAMA**

**Save the Dates!**

**MARCH 9, 10, 16, 17**

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from the  
GREAT  
WHITE  
NORTH**

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**by Pat Cook**

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# Duners Doings

Jose Costa, President

Greeting Nobles

The month of January has been a busy month for the Sand Duners. On February 10<sup>th</sup> 2018, we will be hosting our 34<sup>th</sup> annual Sweethearts Auction. This year we want to make it special for everyone and have decided that it will be a Masquerade Ball. Bring your own masquerade or borrow one from us but either way it will be a very special evening for all attendees. We will have Rooster's @ Parkside cater a delicious meal which will include either a Prime Rib or a creamy Chicken Dijon dinner. We have also been collecting items and while they have been great we can still use more to make this an even better auction!

We are very excited for this event and hope everyone can join us for a great night. Make sure to get your tickets or a Corporate tables soon as they are going fast!!!. The Sand Duners will be working hard to get great Auction items until the end, but help is always welcome. Bring your lady, your friends and anyone you can think of to enjoy this night with us. We hope to see you all there!!

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February 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
					Greeters Players Tech Club Groundhog Day	East Idaho Club/Unit Meeting
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Super Bowl		Tin Lizzies	Provost Guard Band		Tech Club	Sand Duner's Dinner and Auction
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Greeters Valentines Day Brunch	Divan Meeting Twin Falls SC Wood River SC		STATED MEETING Valentine's Day	Winter PNSA Coeur d'Alene	Winter PNSA Coeur d'Alene Tech Club	Winter PNSA Coeur d'Alene
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	President's Day Payette SC El Korah Clowns	Cameleers Sand Duners High Country SC	Band		<b>Nobility Night</b> Upper Snake River SC Tech Club	Nile Ballroom/Band 3:00 - 6:00 pm
25	26	27	28	1	2	3
	Widows Night Snake River SC Black Light Patrol	Elmore SC SE Idaho SC	Caldwell SC Sutary Klowns Red Neck Cul Club Band			

March 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
25	26	27	28	1	2	3
					MELODRAMA Youth Perf 7 pm Greeters Tech Club	MELODRAMA Senior Perf 2 pm Ice Breaker Mini Golf
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		Tin Lizzies	Band Provost Guard		MELODRAMA Tech Club	MELODRAMA
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	Divan Meeting Twin Falls SC Wood River SC		STATED MEETING Eastern Idaho SC		MELODRAMA Tech Club	MELODRAMA Players St. Patrick's Day Dinner
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Gold Rush SC	Payette SC El Korah Clowns	Cameleers Director's Staff Sand Duners	TREEFORT Band	TREEFORT	TREEFORT	TREEFORT Installation of Iras Temple No. 40
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
TREEFORT	Snake River SC Black Light Patrol	Elmore SC SE Idaho SC	Caldwell SC Sutary Klowns Red Neck Cul Club Band		Good Friday Tech Club	



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