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# EL KORAH SHRINERS

## DESERT DUST

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February 8th, 2020

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 Portland ..... Rick Holloway - Vice Chair  
 Portland ..... Mike Mastropaolo



Oscar Baumhoff ..... 1/6/20

Richard (Dick) Williams ... 1/25/20

Clarence Brewer ..... n/a

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Email submissions to [elkorahdesertdust@gmail.com](mailto:elkorahdesertdust@gmail.com). However, they can also be dropped in the Desert Dust mailbox at El Korah, if necessary.

Be sure to double check your submissions for grammar and spelling. Each pictures should include a caption, as appropriate.

**2020 Shrine Dues** were due by 12/31/19. If you do not have a current dues card, you are delinquent. Avoid the dreaded NPD list and contact the Recorder's Office today (343-0571).

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## February Stated Meeting

Remember our **Stated meeting** coming up on **Feb 12th** at 7:30 pm with Social at 6:00 pm and dinner served at 6:30 pm.



## Potentate Message by Rick Holloway



The first month of 2020 is behind us and several events kept us busy during January.

First of all, I would like to thank everyone who participated in making the installation a terrific event. Ill. Sir Joe Randall, as the

first Potentate to appoint me to the line, performed the installation with help from Ill. Sir Mike Mastropaolo as Installing Marshal, and Ill. Sirs Stan Garrett, John Krommenhoek, Richard McFarland, and Dave Thomas who helped fez our 2020 officers. A special and heartfelt thank you goes to the Nile Guards and Nile Dancers for their performances at the installation. It was made even more special to see First Lady Jackie performing with the Dancers. Thank you!

The Elite Black Light Patrol held their annual Crab Feed on January 24-25. I had an absolute blast selling winning raffle tickets during the event and being able to welcome everyone to the event both nights. For those who didn't get enough crab, don't forget about the Scottish Rite Crab Feed on Saturday, April 4. You can get tickets from any of the Scottish Rite members. Let me know if you need tickets.

On Saturday, February 1, we will have our Club and Unit meeting. Our Ladies are invited to attend as well. We will have muffins and breakfast items at 8:30 and the meeting starts at 9 am. A sandwich bar will be set up for lunch as well. There is a lot of information to be shared at this meeting, so please attend.

Several of the Divan and members of the Players Unit will be heading to Twin Falls on Tuesday for a fez lunch and Ceremonial/Cold Sands for two new candidates. Thank you, Laird, for helping to arrange this. If you

would like to go, please contact me as soon as possible and we will make sure you have a ride.

The annual Melodrama starts on March 6-7 and continues to the next weekend as well. The Kiwanis have purchased all tickets for the performance on Friday, March 13 but tickets to the other

performances are available as well. If the March 13 date is the one that works best for you, contact the Recorder's office and we will get you information on how to get tickets for that show.

Winter PNSA will be in Calgary at the end of February. I am still tracking down my passport renewal but Chief Rabban Will Votaw will definitely be there.

I hope the weekly Monday Message is helpful to everyone to keep you informed of what is happening at El Korah. If there is anything you would like me to include in the Monday Message, please let me know.

Finally, we are already gearing up for Treefort 2020! The tokens have already been ordered and Chief Rabban Will Votaw is setting up his teams. Please contact him to sign up for this event. There are multiple tasks that need to be done to make this event successful.

Thank you all for your support of El Korah. I will do my best to communicate with everyone and make sure you are up to date on all of the happenings in the Shrine.



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## SHRINE TEMPLES PRESENT CLAIMS

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BUTTE (AP) – Butte, Billings and Helena in Montana, Lewiston and Boise in Idaho, Spokane in Washington and Salt Lake in Utah will have their claims for the location of the Shrine hospital for crippled children presented to the meeting of the hospital board of trustees of the Mystic Shrine, which meets in San Francisco on June 12, 13 and 14 next. Dr. O. M. Lanstrum of Helena, one of the seven trustees who will pass upon the merits of the locations Thursday met in Butte with potentates of the temples in the Rocky mountain region, to hear their view on the question of the most desirable place for the hospital in this section.

#### DR. JESSUP REPRESENTS BOISE

The Potentates present at the conference, which was held at the Silver Bow club, and the Temples they represent were: R. R. Rathbone, Bagdad, Dillon; Robert Hathaway, Algeria, Helena; E. A. Nodler, Al Bedoo, Billings; W. H. Stowell, El Katif, Spokane; D. A. House, Korein, Rawlings, Wyo.; L. C. Booth, El Katif, Sheridan; R. J. Wile, Kalam, Lewiston, Idaho; Thomas Sharp, Al Ayhar, Calgary; Dr H. P. Kirtley, El Kalah, (past), Salt Lake, and Dr. J. J. Jessup, El Korah, (past), Boise, Idaho.

## Portland Shrine Hospital Report

*by Rick Holloway, Board of Governors*



As you probably know, there are many changes going on in health care delivery at present and the Shrine Hospital system is not immune from those changes. Over the last few months, all of the hospitals have been tasked with developing a strategic

plan to carry us forward for the next 100 years. Fulfilling the goal of caring for more kids in more places means we will be increasing our outreach in communities within the Pacific Northwest to support our mission.

The Portland Shrine Hospital finished 2019 above budget on all operational parameters and was able to do so while decreasing our cost per case-mix adjusted patient day. Donor development is always on our minds to help decrease the draw on the endowment. Look for representatives from the Portland Hospital at an upcoming El Korah event!

We will have some openings on the Portland Board of Governors at the end of this year. If you are interested in serving on the Board and have questions about what it takes to be a good Board member, please contact Dave Triplett, Mike Mastropaolo, or myself. Nomination packets will be available soon and are due to the Portland Hospital in May.

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## Duners Doings *by Santa Bob Albert, President*

Hello from the Sand Duners,

We are in the final stages of preparing our Annual Sweethearts Auction/Gala on February 8th. Cocktails are at 5:30 pm, followed by dinner, auction and dancing! This year we are having a live band "The Retreads" and they promise to "ROCK" the house. Dinner is Prime Rib or Chicken. Tickets are \$40.00 each. (Corporate Table is \$500.00) You still have time to get in on the fun, contact the Records Office at

208-343-0571, Santa Bob 208-353-1503, or  
Patty Albert 208-392-7070.

After the Gala, we will be gearing up for our Parade Season, so cheer for us when you go to the Parades!

We are looking forward to another fabulous year; for our Unit and El Korah. **Let the fun begin!**

## Seeking Nobles to Bring Back the . . . Director's Staff 2020

*by Director Jimmy Hansen*

Nobles of El Korah Shrine, the Director (Jimmy Hansen) and Assistant Director (Justin Petersen) of El Korah Shrine are looking for Nobles to assist them in bringing back the Director Staff.

Why you might ask? The purpose is to reestablish a group in which we can better handle the Symposium and Ceremonial. Within the Symposium and Ceremonial, there are a number of things that need more than one to two Nobles handling it, whether that be the main gig, the Second Section, setting up the rooms for public opening, meals, tables and chairs, or making sure that the whole show is operating correctly.

Once we have a number of members interested, we will hold a meeting to get everyone informed about this year and moving forward.

Thank you in advance for any and all help,

Please contact:

Director **Jimmy Hansen**  
(208) 392-3833  
unussomnio21@gmail.com

Asst Director **Justin Petersen**  
(509) 850-7615  
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## Chaplain's Corner

*by Santa Bob Albert, Chaplain*

Greeting my Fellow Nobles, it is a heavy heart that I must report that the Black Camel Caravan has traveled threw our Oasis and picked up Nobles for their final travels to the Great Oasis Beyond.

**Richard (Dick) Ledru Williams:** June 6, 1926 - January 25, 2020.

Survived by: Children - Rick, Ron, & Diane,  
Extended family - John Matthews, Jake Matthews and family, Jessica Harris and family

**Clarence Brewer:** 107 years young, no other information as of now.

**Oscar Baumhoff:** December 21, 1937 - January 6, 2020  
Survived by 6 Children - Fred, Anna, Jill, Bruce, Ginger and Cini and extended family.

**David Walker Bivens:** Oct 8, 1937 - December 15, 2019  
Survived by: Wife - Helen,  
Sons - Bill and Robert,  
Daughter - Kriss Cloyd and extended family

Nobles as we make our journey thru this life, remember to take time for our Family's and Friend to remind them how much they mean to you, because our time here is short.

Nobles our time on the Earth is short, let your Loved ones and Friends know how much they mean to you. Happy New Year!

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## Daughters of the Nile

by Linda Gray, Princess Badoura

Hello to all, from Iras Temple No.40. With the New Year now at hand, we have already had our Winter Ceremonial on Jan. 18, 2020. We inducted 4 new princesses, and are delighted to have them join us in "helping children soar". Our pre-ceremonial luncheon was catered by Eastern Star and was memorably wonderful!!

We were also honored by the visit of many shriners. most notably: Potentate of El Korah Rick Holloway; Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Idaho, Steven L. Hall; Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Idaho, current Outer Guard of El Korah, Dave Tripplett; Past Potentate of El Korah and current Recorder, Ray Westmoreland. We Thank them for their on going support and presence.

We continue to have our sewing and cards event every month on the 2nd Tuesday. We have been able to send many items which have been requested by SLC and Portland hospitals. In addition, all of our clubs in the Boise valley thru Twin Falls, Jerome, Pocatello, Idaho Falls, and Ontario, send similar items to us for transport to our Shrine hospitals. We Thank them for their contributions to our Temple and their very hard work for Shrine hospitals. Thank you, Thank you. You are our back bone!!

Looking forward to February, we will be honoring and having our very special memorial service for all our princesses whom we have lost over this past, 2019-2020, year. It will be poignant and very special as we have lost so many.

Love and prayers to all.



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by Max Bearden

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## Players Playbill by Wayne White

The 2020 Melodrama performances are the first two weekends in March. The Friday, March 13th show has already been sold out to Capital City Kiwanis, so there will only be three regular performances this year. Get your tickets early by contacting the Recorder's Office. Dinner will be offered before the show - pay at the door, so no tickets needed.

Come out and Enjoy the Show!

**2020 MELODRAMA**

**FRIDAY MARCH 6TH**  
**SATURDAY MARCH 7TH**  
**SATURDAY MARCH 14TH**

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## Barons Car Show

*By Don Bailey, Jim Leichter and Ken Rufe*

The **Classy Car Club** would like to let everyone know that the annual Barons Shriner Patient Travel Fund car show has been canceled indefinitely. The Barons and the car club felt it is the



right time to cancel the car show for many reasons. The Barons are very busy with other activities and it's hard to split up their time since they were the driving force on getting auction items, sponsors, etc. for the show and the fact we lost our parking lot. Plus everyone is getting older.

We would like to give a BIG thank you to the Barons Car Club for all of their never ending support. They are a

great group of people with tons of motivation, big hearts and compassion. Over the years the car show has proudly raised a lot of money for the Patient Travel fund and we've had tons of fun doing it. We want to thank everyone for supporting the car shows.

## New Chairs in the Oasis!

*by Ill. Sir Garland Risner, PP*



Just in time for the big game, we have some new "comfortable" chairs in the Oasis! This was a collective effort by Illustrious Sir Garland and past First Lady Sue, the "Elite" Black Light Patrol, and Noble Mitch and Sue Davis.

When Illustrious Sir Garland and Sue were hand delivering the check to the Portland Hospital for the First Lady's Project, they were visiting one of their favorite commercial restaurant supply stores while in town. Low and behold, stashed upstairs of the store was a whole bunch of used barrel chairs. Not to let an opportunity ever slip by, I.S. Garland made a call to Noble Mitch who volunteered to make the trip to pick them up. A deal was struck and the Black Light Patrol graciously offered to cover the cost of the chairs.

These are really high quality chairs that will last us many years to come and we have the "Elite" Black Light Patrol to thank for making it all possible. Next time you see Mitch and Sue or any of the Patrol members please give them a big "Thank You" and a pat on the back for making these chairs possible! I don't know about everyone else but my back will sure appreciate our new "seating arrangements". Thank you Patrol!

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# February

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						<b>1</b> Club & Unit Meeting - Boise
<b>2</b> Big Game Party	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Tin Lizzies Fez Lunch in Twin Falls	<b>5</b> Band Provost Guard	<b>6</b> First Thursday	<b>7</b> Players Greeters	<b>8</b> Sand Duners Dinner/Auction
<b>9</b> Greeters Valentine's Day Brunch	<b>10</b> Directors Divan Meeting Twin Falls SC Wood River SC	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> STATED MEETING	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Valentine's Day 	<b>15</b> Boise High Jazz Band
<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> President's Day Payette SC El Korah Klowns	<b>18</b> Cameleers Sand Duners High Country SC	<b>19</b> Caldwell SC Sutary Clowns Red Neck Culinary Club	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Fusion Fest Upper Snake River SC	<b>22</b> Fusion Fest
<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Widows Nite Snake River SC Black Light Patrol	<b>25</b> SE Idaho SC	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Melodrama Youth	<b>29</b> Melodrama Seniors
← Winter PNSA - Calgary →						

# March

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Provost Guard	<b>5</b> First Thursday	<b>6</b> Melodrama Greeters	<b>7</b> Melodrama
← Oriental Guide School - Tampa, FL →						
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Directors Divan Meeting	<b>10</b> Tin Lizzies	<b>11</b> STATED MEETING	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Melodrama "Kiwaniis Night"	<b>14</b> Melodrama
← Asst Rabban School - Tampa, FL →						
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Twin Falls SC Wood River SC	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> Gold Rush SC	<b>23</b> Payette SC El Korah Klowns Black Light Patrol	<b>24</b> Cameleers Sand Duners	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> DON Installation
← TreeFort Music Festival - Boise → ← DeMolay Conclave - Calgary →						
<b>29</b> TreeFort	<b>30</b> Snake River SC	<b>31</b> SE Idaho SC				