

# EL KORAH SHRINERS

## DESERT DUST

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El Korah Shrine  
Boise, Idaho



**The Potentate, Board of Directors, and Divan**

**Cordially invite you to the 120<sup>th</sup> Installation of Officers for 2019**

**Saturday, January 5, 2019**

**4:00 pm**

**Installation-Ballroom**

**5:00 pm**

**Reception-Downstairs**

**Please join us as we begin the New Year at El Korah Shrine with  
Nobility Night, including dinner and a Casino Night**

**following the Installation**

**6:00 pm**

**Dinner-Tiger Room**

**7:00 pm**

**Casino Night-Ballroom**

**Join us as we begin the new year at El Korah Shrine! Come and mingle with the newly installed Divan as they will be staffing the gaming tables. Please RSVP by 12/31/18 for dinner by calling 208-343-0571. Rib eye steak or chicken, baked potato, and all the goodies including dessert, all for \$25 per person. This is your first opportunity to meet the 2019 officers and join us for the first party of the year!**

**EL KORAH SHRINE  
2019 OFFICERS  
Elected Officers**

**(To be installed January 5, 2019)**

Potentate.....Garland Risner  
Chief Rabban.....Rick Holloway  
Assistant Rabban.....Will Votaw  
High Priest & Prophet.....Dale Rutter  
Oriental Guide.....Ray Schild  
Treasurer.....Larry Ridenour  
Recorder.....Ray Westmoreland

**Appointed Divan**

Director.....Jesse Laduke  
Assistant Director.....Jimmy Hansen  
Chaplain .....Santa Bob Albert  
1<sup>st</sup> Ceremonial Master.....Blake Titus  
2<sup>nd</sup> Ceremonial Master.....Joseph Dalrymple  
Marshal.....Shawn McWilliams  
Captain of the Guard.....Wayne Foster  
Outer Guards.....Doug Blandford,  
David Braden, Shane Curry,  
Bob Nelson, Jr., Justin Petersen,  
Steve Priest

**Aides**

Chief Potentate's Aide.....Ric Bobier  
Mischa Brady, Charlie Bull,  
Chris Burgess, Bill Curtis, Jr.,  
Jack Gardner, Jay Garrett, Bob Julian

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**January 2019 Stated Meeting**

The next Stated Meeting of El Korah Shriners will be on Wednesday, January 9, 2019. Social hour starts at 6:00 pm, dinner will be at 6:30, and the meeting will start at 7:30 pm. This meeting is the first meeting for the newly installed 2019 officers!

## Potentate's Page By Garland Risner, Potentate-Elect

First Lady Sue and I would like to wish everyone a happy New Year and only the best for you in 2019! It is truly an honor to have the privilege to serve El Korah as your Potentate and First Lady! The journey to Potentate started in 2008 and we have had the opportunity to serve with some great people and look forward to bringing our best to El Korah this year. There are some incredibly bright, capable and highly motivated nobles and ladies on the team this year and as good as we have ever worked with. We are so excited to have everyone involved!

One of the most important factors in Shrine leadership is the "board of directors" approach. We as board members are firmly committed to decision making in this format. Our guiding principal this year is our mission statement. To serve our members and preserve our building while helping the children and our hospital system. It places priority on our members, our building next followed closely by our hospitals and the kids we help. We believe the very foundation of our fraternity and philanthropy is our Nobles. After all, they/we built the fraternity, temple buildings, and the hospital system. Membership and taking care of our Nobles is our top priority this year!

We're focused on taking care of business. As a Divan, our primary objective is to serve the needs of the membership and that includes the clubs and units. After all they are the lifeblood of our organization. If an individual or a club or unit has an idea for something, if it fits the mission statement and it's reasonable, the answer will be YES! Bring us your idea, your plan of execution and tell us on the Divan how we can help facilitate your idea and support you in making it a reality. The slogan this year is "Building the future by bridging the past". There are some deep traditions with El Korah that have made our Shrine temple great. We have overlooked some of them in recent years and we want to bring them back. The Divan will go through a strategic planning session and everyone will have input into what we as a group feel are important and will work together toward meeting those goals.

Our Club & Unit Meeting will be a bit more involved this year and we're opening it up to all Nobles and also encouraging the ladies to join us. We will have some outside speakers and a very full agenda. We hope that everyone who attends finds this meeting a great use of your time. The board will be cooking breakfast and also serving lunch to all attendees. We'll need a head count in advance so we can accommodate everyone. We have asked the Twin Falls group to come join us and we'll televise the event to eastern Idaho and we'll pick up the tab for their breakfast and lunch.

By now the Installation is likely in the books and hopefully everyone had a wonderful meal, and then joined us for a great time at the Casino Night. Our next big event is the "Elite" Black Light Patrol Crab Feed and Sue and I plan to be there to help both nights. The following weekend is the Club & Unit Meeting on February 2nd, breakfast at 8:30 and meeting at 9:00 a.m.. On February 7th the Divan will attend Winter PNSA in Portland and myself and our Assistant Rabban Will Votaw will return early to attend the Sand Duners Sweethearts Auction on February 9th.

By the way, El Korah has a new website [www.elkorahshrine.com](http://www.elkorahshrine.com).

If you want to contact me or have a question, issue or concern, [potentate@elkorahshrine.com](mailto:potentate@elkorahshrine.com) will get you directly to me. I am honored to serve as Potentate of El Korah in 2019!

### **Directors Report** *by Jesse Laduke, Director and Jimmy Hansen, Assistant Director*

Nobles, it's a new year! And a new Divan! The installation of our officers will take place at El Korah on Saturday, January 5th at 4pm. The fun thing is, is that it's not just an installation. It's also going to be a Blast! Following the installment for our 2019 officers will be dinner and a casino night where everyone will be able to meeting and greet the officers as they deal the night away. The following week will be our Stated, January 9th. Come make sure that your new officers are hitting the ground running!

Now for the nitty gritty!

The Club and Unit Meeting will be on Saturday, February 2th, Groundhogs Day. Our Divan will be cooking up a great breakfast before the meeting and will be serving at 8:30am. The meeting itself will follow at 9am, with a break for lunch. This year we want to make sure all Clubs and Units are prepared and informed about everything going on, and we would like to including the Ladies. The Divan want to emphasize that this Shrine stays together with the help and support of our Ladies. So please invite them to come along with you. El Korah united and informed will help us all make this year a great one. Please let us know if you have any issues, comments, concerns, questions, etc... Let us know so that they may be addressed.

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## Portland Shrine Hospital Report

Rick Holloway, Board of Governors

The Portland Shriners Hospital has been continuously increasing its visibility in the Portland area. We hope you have seen the many posts on Facebook, Twitter, and other social media sites.

The Cross Country team at Sunset High School in Portland has been raising money for the Portland Hospital through their annual "Sunset Cross Country Miles that Matter." Recently, they presented Kathy Park, Director of Development for the Portland Hospital, with a check for \$12,000, bring their total funds raised to nearly \$50,000!

In late November, another unexpected donation of \$1 million was received which allowed the Portland Hospital to purchase an O-Arm Spinal Imaging System, which allows precise placement of screws holding the rods in place over the patient's spine. A picture of the unit is shown to the right. We are only the second Shrine hospital to have this technology. The unit opens up so that it can be placed around the patient, then closed for the imaging to occur.

Thank you all for your continued support. We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!



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By

Adolph Kuellmer and  
Joanne Kuellmer Franklin

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Copies available on Amazon (by title), or from Joanne. Email Joanne for more information at [joannekf@gmail.com](mailto:joannekf@gmail.com)

### New Editor for the Desert Dust!

Bob Finney has stepped up to take over putting together the Desert Dust again starting with the February 2019 Edition! Thank you, Bob! His contact information will be distributed next month.

### El Korah Shrine Band

If you play or have played a musical instrument, your El Korah Band could use your talents!

Call Max Bearden at 208-376-6470 for more information or to join the Band!

### Imperial Sesssion 2019!!

El Korah has a block of rooms reserved at the Hilton Garden Inn for the Imperial Session in Nashville, TN, June 30 – July 4th in 2019. We have a few rooms left and still have time to get more. Imperial Sir Jim Cain and his lady Patsy have promised to roll out the red carpet for El Korah. We'll have a hospitality room and plenty of fun activities for this once in a lifetime opportunity in a great city. Stay over for the 4th of July for one of the best fireworks displays in the United States. If you are interested in joining the party in music city, please contact Garland 208-866-9411 or Sue Risner 208-860-2291.





## El Korah American Legion Post 100



Dear Veteran,

January 2019

The Post has been continuing to meet at El Korah, and the January meeting will be held on the 18th (always the 3rd Friday of the month). As usual, we will have a lunch at 11:30 a.m. in the El Korah's Oasis followed by a meeting at noon. Our meeting location is 1118 West Idaho Street downtown Boise.

Last year was a good membership year, finishing well above 100%. We have recently begun a new membership year and the challenge for another 100% year is ahead of us. It is achievable with everyone's help. So when you meet someone new, ask them if they are a veteran, then when did they serve? If they qualify for membership, ask them to join our American Legion Post. It is that easy, and with this approach, we can again be a 100% Post in 2019.

I hope to see many of you again at our December meeting.

## Nomads News

### Warren Hill, Scout

The Nomads RV Club have set the following camping schedule for 2019:

**April 29-May 2** - Ambassador RV Resort, Caldwell

**May 24-26** - Hagerman RV Village, Hagerman

**June 9-11** - McCall RV Resort, McCall

**August 1-3** - Mountain View RV Park, Baker City, Oregon – East West Shrine Game weekend

**August 23-25** - Challis Hot Springs, Challis – Idaho Masonic Picnic weekend

**September 16-17** - Mountain Home RV Park, Mountain Home

Nomads RV Club welcomes all Shriners who enjoy the outdoors to join us for fun and fellowship. You don't have to own an RV to participate as many of our outing locations offer cabins or have BnB rooms available. Those that have "retired" from pulling or driving their RV can join us for summer fun.

Contact a Nomad officer for more information: Trailboss Jay Garrett (208) 707-4397, Assistant Trailboss Dave Thomas (208) 405-9560, or Scout Warren Hill – (208) 994-6596.

## Players Playbill

It's coming up fast! Melodrama 2019 will be here in a few short months. This year's play is "The Treasure of Shiver River" and rehearsals will begin in a few short days. Information on tickets and times is listed to the left. We look forward to a terrific Melodrama in 2019!



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# Duners Doings

Santa Bob Albert, President

Happy New Year from the Sand Duners! We are excited and proud that one of our members, Garland Risner, is sitting in the Potentate's office!

The 2019 officers are: Santa Bob Albert, President; Justin Boyer, Vice President; Jimmy Hansen, Secretary; Doug Blandford, Treasurer; and Shane Curry, Parade Master. This new team of officers will be a lot of fun to work with.

We have our annual Sweethearts Dinner Auction on February 9, 2019 starting at 5pm at the Shrine. The theme this year is a Speak-easy! The Shrine will be transformed back to the era of Flappers and I hope all of you will attend and enjoy. Tickets will be available soon!

The Parade Season is just around the corner, and as always, the Duners are excited and gearing up. This year we are planning to send a group of dune buggies to Nashville for Imperial. We would love to see a large group of El Korah sideliners cheering for our buggies in the Imperial Parade!

Our annual Screening Clinic will be on October 5, 2019. It will be put together by our 2nd year Chairman, Justin Petersen. He has done a great job and our clinic keeps getting better every year!

Last but not least, part of our success is because we have the full support of our Ladies, and they are the true unsung heroines of the Unit. Thank you to our Ladies!

I look forward to a wonderful year and keep reading Desert Dust for more of our fun activities!

## Membership Committee Update

*by Max Bearden, Chairman*

Hello Nobles, our new Potentate Garland Risner has asked to head the Membership Committee this year in 2019. As you all know, we are at a critical time regarding membership in El Korah, which creates a potential for phenomenal growth in our Temple.

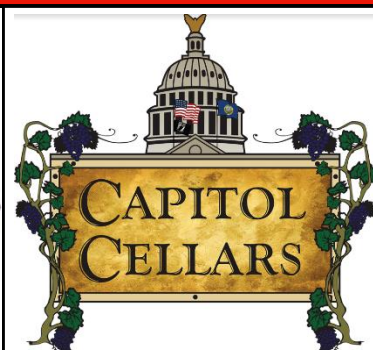
For nearly 100 years El Korah has been a leader in the State of Idaho with our number 1 charity, Shriner's Hospital for Children. Last year we had over 393 patient visits of Idaho Kids to our Hospitals for a cost of over \$65,000 plus your donation to the Salt Lake Hospital for transportation of kids from Northern Mexico.

You as a member of El Korah have made a difference in people's lives and the State of Idaho with your membership.

If you would like to serve on the Committee, have someone interested in joining El Korah or have any suggestions on improving membership, please contact me at 208-376-6470.

Our first Membership Team meeting will be on Thursday, January 10, 2019 at 7:00 pm in the Gold Room. We'll be presenting our membership plan for 2019 at the Club and Unit meeting on February 2nd.

Membership should be a concern of every member!



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# January 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
		Happy New Year!	Provost Guard Band	Taco Night 5-7 pm	Players	Installation of 2019 El Korah officers Installation 4:00 pm Casino Night 7:00
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Directors Divan Twin Falls SC		Stated meeting		Greeters	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	El Korah Clowns Wood River SC	Sand Duners Cameleers High Country SC	Band			93rd Annual E-W Shrine Game-FL
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	Payette/Snake River SC Black Light Patrol MLK Day	Southeast ID SC	Caldwell SC Sutary Klowns Red Neck Cul Club Band	Meridian SC Nomads	BLP Crab Feed Upper Snake Rvr SC	Black Light Patrol Crab Feed
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
	Snake River SC			Lunch in Oasis 11-1		

# February 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
					Greeters Players Tech Club Groundhog Day	Club/Unit Meeting
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Super Bowl		Tin Lizzies	Provost Guard Band	Winter PNSA Wilsonville, OR	Winter PNSA Al Kader-Wilsonville Tech Club	Sand Duner's Dinner and Auction Winter PNSA Wilsonville, OR
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Greeters Valentines Day Brunch	Divan Meeting Twin Falls SC Wood River SC		STATED MEETING Valentine's Day		Tech Club	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	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
24	25	26	27	28	1	2
	Widows Night Snake River SC Black Light Patrol	Elmore SC SE Idaho SC	Caldwell SC Sutary Klowns Red Neck Cul Club Band			

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