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2020 Divan (to be Installed on Jan 4th)

Elected Officers

| Potentate | Rick Holloway |
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| Chief Rabban | Will Votaw |
| Assistant Rabban | Dale Rutter |
| High Priest & Prophet | Ray Schild |
| Oriental Guide | David Bennett |
| Treasurer | Larry Ridenour |
| Recorder Ray | Westmoreland, PP |

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| 2 nd Ceremonial Master Mark Isserman |
| Marshal Wayne Foster |
| Captain of the Guard David Brannan |
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| Ron Bishop |
| Doug Blandford |

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| James "Bob" Perrin 12/19/19 |
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| David Paulson 12/17/19 |
| David Walker Bivens 12/15/19 |
| Budd Kehne 11/25/19 |

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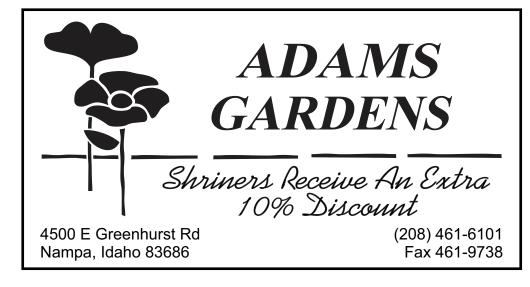
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Be sure to double check your submissions for grammar and spelling. Each pictures should include a caption, as appropriate.

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).

Did you know that El Korah's budget relies on its members keeping their membership current. Paying your dues on time helps pay the bills and keep our



January Stated Meeting

Don't forget our Stated meeting coming up on **Jan 8th**. It will be the first for our new Divan and they'll need our support. First gavel at 7:30 pm.

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Potentate-Elect Message by Rick Holloway



Thank you, El Korah, for the opportunity to serve you and this Temple for the ensuing year. We have many positive things happening at El Korah as well as some challenges to consider.

The theme for the year will be "Shriners Help Kids Soar" with an aviation theme from the flights First Lady Jackie and I provide for Shrine patients and families through Angel Flight West. It also references the kids who are able to reach heights they otherwise would not have been able to without the help of the physicians and staff at our Shriners Hospitals.

Congratulations to Noble Dave Bennett, who was elected to be Oriental Guide for El Korah. Noble Dave has worked hard in the Membership Committee this past year and will be working on the Membership Committee next year. Along with Dave will be Nobles Max Bearden and Ron Bishop serving on the Membership Committee, although it has always been my philosophy that we are ALL on the Membership Committee. Don't be shy about asking your fellow Masons about joining the Shrine. On a related note, I hope everyone still attends their Blue Lodge. If you don't already have your Warden's or Master's Certificate, let me know how I can help.

Installation will be on Saturday, January 4, 2020 at 2 pm. The Nile Guards and Iras Temple No. 40 Dancers will be performing. Don't miss this opportunity to see the Iras Temple Dancers and Guards and welcome the new 2020 Divan for El Korah!

The next big event is the Club and Unit meeting on Sunday, January 19. Once again, the Board will be providing breakfast and we will have lunch served free of charge to the attendees (Ladies too!). I hope our Twin Falls Nobles will join us that day as well. Please let the Recorder's office know if you are going to make it so we can be sure to have enough food. Shortly after that, we will have our first large event of the year with the Elite Black



Light Patrol Crab Feed. I don't think there are any tickets left but more to come on that later.

Foremost on the minds of many Nobles is what we should do with our Temple. The construction on the building next door is progressing and the owners are projecting to start moving in tenants in late 2020. At the December stated meeting, we took a poll of the Nobles on the direction the Divan should investigate as we define our future. Just over half of the Nobles wanted to investigate divesting the Temple and moving to another location. When asked what options the Nobility preferred, the two top vote-getters were to build a comparable building and to retrofit an existing building. Please know that the final decision on the future of the building will be made by the Nobility, not by a small Committee or the Divan. We will keep you informed of our progress, but if you have questions, please ask any Divan member.

If you would like to get more involved in supporting the mission of El Korah and the hospitals, please let a Divan member know. We appreciate everyone stepping up and helping this year.



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First Lady Project

by Garland and Sue Risner

Illustrious Sir Garland A. Risner and First Lady Sue present a check for \$5,000 to Andryce Andres, the Lead Speech Pathologist and Kathy Park, Donor Development at the Portland Shriners Hospital for Children. This check represents a sponsorship for the entire Augmentative and Alternative Communication camp in 2020 where children with severe speech and language disorders come to day camp for a week to learn methods and use high tech tools to better communicate.

A special thanks to all of the ladies who helped assemble and sell the White Chili soup starters and made this project a reality. El Korah is very proud to support this endeavor and provide the funds to sponsor this camp



Check presented to Andryce Andres



Check presented to Kathy Park

Portland Shrine Hospital Report

by Rick Holloway, Board of Governors



The annual Portland Shrine Hospital Board and Leadership Christmas party was held on December 15 and provided a opportunity for the Board and hospital senior leaders to reflect on a very successful year. Board Chair Rory Johnson (Afifi Shrine), along with

Dereesa Reid, Administrator and Matt Bernstein, MD, Chief of Staff, recognized the efforts of hospital staff in the positive growth seen at the Portland Hospital over the last year.

Normally during this event, new Board members are introduced as they prepare to begin their service on the Board. This year, we did not bring any new Board members in, but we do have up to three positions opening for next year. Applications for Shriners to serve on the Portland Board of Governors will be received in a few months. You can expect to see an announcement for applications to serve on the Board in a few months. Having served on the Board for five years, there are few opportunities as rewarding for a Shriner than serving on the Board. We look for members who have business, legal, medical, or other relevant backgrounds with advanced degrees in fields relevant to hospital operations. This does not mean you need to have a medical background to be an effective Board member. If you have questions about what it takes to be a good Board member or if you could serve in this capacity, please contact Dave Triplett, Mike Mastropaolo, or myself for more information.

Duners Doings by Santa Bob Albert, President

Hello Nobles. The Month of December seemed to fly by, and now we are getting ready for our 36th Annual Sweethearts Dinner. The Gala, Auction and Dance will be held on **February 8, 2020.** Plan on having a wonderful evening with your special someone at this romantic event, just in time for Valentine's Day. Corporate tables will be \$500.00 for 8 people, and their guests will be showered with drink tickets and bottles of wine, along with swag bags.

We will have a **live** band; "The Retreads" and lot of fun, so don't miss out! Vacation experiences and other goodies will be on the auction block. This is your chance to pick up terrific date nights, and support our screening clinic at the same time. Remember the Community benefits from our important work, matching children in need with the outstanding care of the Shriner's Hospitals.

Tickets can be purchased from any Duner, or from the Recorders office very soon.

Posters are almost ready and we will be sending more information in Constant near future. Tickets will be \$40.00 each. Nobles remember your Ladies this Valentine's Day. Come find out what puts the "heart" in Sweethearts Gala. Make this year special and continue to support El Korah this year.

Provost Guard by John Kinney

The 2019 year is coming to a close and the Provost Guard has been alive and well. The officers of the Guard decided that our casual jackets had outlived themselves and several of our members did not have one. We decided on some new jackets and got them through Salute Apparel. Our members showed them off at the East West Shrine Football Game in November and had several good comments about our look.

The Provost Guards Christmas dinner and short meeting was held at Lock Stock and Barrel in Boise. Everyone enjoyed ordering off the menu and the Guard paid for appetizer's before dinner.

Our new officers for the 2020 year are Mark Isserman President, Justin Boyer Vice President, Wayne Foster Treasurer, and John Kinney Secretary. Illustrious Potentate Garland Risner installed our officers at the dinner meeting.

We have begun planning for 2020, and our Wine tasting fund raiser. The Wine tasting event will be April 11, 2020. Congratulations to the 2019 Divan for a great year! The Provost Guard is looking forward to another great year in 2020!



New Provost Guard jackets at the Football Game



Chaplain's Corner

by Santa Bob Albert, Chaplain

Greetings Nobles, as we close out this year and decade, the Black Camel Caravan has stopped by El Korah and collected several of our outstanding Nobles. We will miss these great Nobles.

David Walker Bivens: October 8,1925 - December 15, 2019 Survived by: Wife - Helen, Sons - Bill and Robert, Daughter - Kriss Cloyd, and an extended family. Celebration of Life will be Saturday January 11, 2020 at 11 am at the Meridian United Methodist Church.

James "Bob" Perrin: September 1, 1934 - December 19, 2019

David Paulson: October 7, 1937 - December 17,2019

Budd Kehne: April 17, 1923 - November 25, 2019

PP **Cal Ledbetter** is recovering from triple bypass surgery and would love some calls.

PP **Mike Yavno** Sr. is resting quietly at home from a reaction to medication, he has requested no phone calls but emails would be great.

Hal Ford had an infection in his intestinal tract and ischemic colon which led to peritonitis and sepsis. The Dr. removed all the infected area and he seems to be doing ok. He will be down awhile, so give him a call.

John Matthews is recovering slowly and still needs our prayers, Reach out to his wife, Diane and tell her you are thinking of them.

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



by Max Bearden

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West Valley Nile Club

by Princess Badoura, Linda Gray

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to ALL from Iras Temple No.40. What a wonderful season for laughing and loving, especially for our Shriners Children.

In December, we have participated in the Meridian "Parade of Lights". We are fortunate to have Princesses, brave and loyal, willing to weather the freezing cold evening to bring our message of caring for Shriner Children to all, of course "twinkling" all the way.



On Thursday, Dec. 19, we held our stated session. Preceding stated session, we had a wonderful Christmas potluck lunch. Lunch was hosted by the elected officers and aides. All tables were decorated in different and beautiful Christmas traditions. What fun and Joy in our celebration.



Throughout the season we did a lot of visiting and sharing. Visiting our lovely princesses and past Queens ,who may be in assisted living or other care facilities . This included a visit our Pr. Tirzah's mother, PQ Jo Egbert. Santa Bob also flew in for an early visit to Jo. We visited a few clubs and the choir for there Christmas parties. Very nice!!

Now that the New Year is upon us, please remember to join us for "Night at the Oscars 2020" to celebrate New Years with Dancers. That would be Dec. 31 at ElKorah. Celebration will be @ 10:00, which is when the crystal ball will drop in New York City.

As 2019 comes to a close , please know how much the Shriners support means to DON. We Thank you and wish you the very best in 2020!

Players Playbill by Wayne White

The Players elected (or re-elected in some positions) Officers for 2020: President - Wayne White, Vice-President - Bob Carleton, Secretary - Jack Gardner, Treasurer - Gary Betts, and Ceremonial Master - Rodney Horn. Congratulations everyone!

The 2020 Melodrama is just around the corner and preparations are well underway. The show will be "How the West was Worn" and will be another fun one. There will be only three regular performances this year (see the flyer below) since one of the nights has already been sold out to the Kiwanis group.

Congratulations to Potentate-Elect Rick Holloway and his 2020 Divan! We are all looking forward to continuing the energy and momentum created by Ill Potentate Garland Risner and the 2019 Divan. Thank you, Ill Sir, for all you do for El Korah!

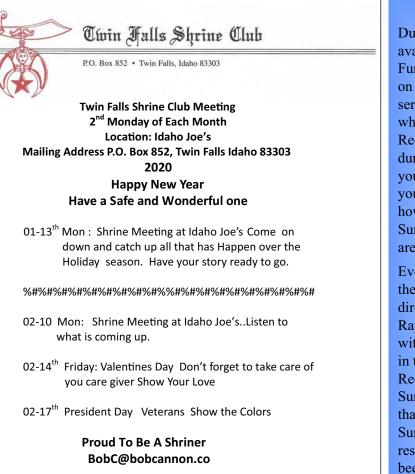


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El Korah Parking Options

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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2019 All Masonic Christmas Party

By Will Votaw, Chief Rabban -Elect

Nobles and Ladies, on behalf of my wife and I, I would like to thank everyone participated and attended the 2019 All Masonic Christmas Party. Ill Sir Garland and Lady Sue, thank you for opening the doors of El Korah and hosting this event. To the Nealis Family, thank you for the wonderful music. Noble Hood, thank you for being Santa again.

We had over 200 people in attendance and gave out approximately 50 gifts. This event would not be possible if not for the support of the Nobles and Ladies of El Korah. Congratulations to Noble Jones on winning the Greeter's Doll House Raffle.

Hope to see you all in 2020.

















The 2019 Ontario Holiday Parade

had representatives from El Korah Shine and Iras Temple #40 Daughters of the Nile. They were: Pam Thomas Harriet Bennett Gary Dentiger.

And you surely recognize Ill Sir Dave Thomas, PP standing inside Dazzle the Clown.



January

| SUNDAY | Monday | TUESDAY | • Wednesday | , Thursday | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--------|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| | | | 1 Happy New Year! | 2 First Thursday Installation Practice | 3 | 4 Installation of Officers |
| 5 | 6 Directors Divan Meeting | 7 | 8 STATED MEETING | 9 | 10 Players Greeters | 11 |
| 12 | 13 El Korah Clowns Wood River SC Twin Falls SC | 14 Cameleers High Country SC | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 EW Shrine Game - FL Nile Winter Ceremonial |
| 19 | 20Directors Mtg Payette/Snake River SC Black Light Patrol | 21 Sand Duners SE Idaho SC | 22 Caldwell Sc Sutary Klowns Red Neck Culinary Club | 23 Nomads | 24 Black Light Crab Feed Upper Snake River SC | 25 Black Light Crab Feed |
| 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | |

February

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

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