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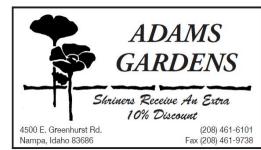
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Please check wallet! If you haven't paid your 2017 vet. please do today. You can the Recorder's office at 208-343-0571 assistance. It is important to you, your community, and your hospital program!

Editor Notice

The Desert Dust is published monthly except July and August by El Korah Shriners at 1118 West Idaho Street, Boise, Idaho 83702

All articles, events, unit activities, announcements, and pictures must be in the hands of the Editor by the 20th of the month preceding the publication month in order to get them in the Dust.

Please submit all articles, pictures, and announcements for publication to <u>elkorahdesertdust@gmail.com</u> or drop them in the Desert Dust mailbox at El Korah.

May Stated Meeting

The next Stated Meeting of El Korah Shriners will be on Wednesday, May 10, at El Korah. Social starts at 6:00 pm, dinner at 6:30 pm, and the stated meeting starts at 7:00 pm. Kathy Park of the Portland Shrine Hospital will be presenting. There will be a Ladies program so bring your Ladies!

Potentate's Corner By Mike Yavno

April has been a great month. We had our annual Potentate's Ball on Saturday, April 8. This was a tremendous event, with over 140 attendees. The ceremony, the food, and the music were spot on. Lady Carol and I want to thank Chief Rabban Dave Thomas, Lady Pam,



Dick Swift, and Noble Gary Betts for their efforts in making this a great night. There were also many others who also made this a fun night. We have had so many compliments!

I would also like to thank the Eagles of Idaho Falls for their donation to El Korah. This money will be used to take care of our "Shrine" kids and make some needed repairs to our building.

Approximately 46 Nobles attended our April Stated Meeting. There were two Past Grand Masters and 6 Past Potentates in attendance. We had a great meal of spaghetti and meatballs. Past Potentate Bert Miller presented a check to El Korah. Our Recorder also read three new petitions. These three candidates were voted on and approved. They were made Shriners at the Cold Sands Ceremony held at El Korah on Saturday, April 15. We will have another Cold Sands ceremony for candidates from Twin Falls in May. We are planning a major Symposium and Ceremonial in November. More information on these to come later this year.

El Korah was hosted at this year's Cycle Addiction Fun Run held on Saturday, April 15. There were many riders and Shriners who rode their motorcycles on the designated route. Cycle Addiction also held a cook out lunch and auction for the attendees in Melba. Noble Ken Rufe, Chief Rabban Dave Thomas and Lady Pam also helped facilitate this event. Thanks to all for your participation. Funds from the auction are usually donated to the El Korah Patient Travel Fund. The results will be announced at a later date.

Please see the Major Event calendar in this issue of the Dust. This is a list of the major El Korah events that are happening this year. We will maintain this list and amend it as required. Your input is also welcome!

Please remember the 2017 El Korah Circus is coming in June. We will need your help to make it a success. There will be numerous flyers on this subject. We need your help!

To All: Many thanks for coming together to make El Korah a place to "hang out" and enjoy some Camaraderie!

Chaplain's Corner By Stan Barker, Chaplain

We are now entering into the busy month of May. Our Potentate's Ball is now history for 2017. This was a great event which was enjoyed by all, in addition to one of the best meals we have ever had.



On May 20, we will observe Armed Forces Day. This is always observed in the Mountain Home area.

Mother's Day is Sunday, May 14. This is the day which has been set aside to honor our mothers or to honor their memory.

We will observe Memorial Day on Monday, May 29. This is the day we remember those who fought and died in the service of our country, and also for family, loved ones, and special friends who have entered eternal rest.

We pay tribute to our Mothers by including this special song entitled, "Mother"

- **M** is the million things you gave me
- O means only that she's growing old
- **T** is the tears she shed to save me
- H is for her heart of purest gold
- **E** is for her eyes of love light shining

 ${\bf R}$ - means right and right she'll always be

Put them all together and they spell MOTHER, a word that means the world to me.

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Sincerely, Potentate Mike and Lady Carol Yavno

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Gold Rush Shrine Club

Our next meeting will be at Terrace Lakes on Sunday May 21st. Fellowship begins a little after 10:00 AM, a short meeting about 11:30 AM, a short church message and the lunch about 12:30 PM. Note the price for lunch will be \$25.00 per couple and \$15.00 per single.

We will enjoy special rates for the use of the Warm Water Swimming Pool and Golf. Golf will be available Saturday and Sunday afternoons. For those who want to make a two or three-day stay there will be parking for motor homes, however there will be No Power, No Water or Sewer hookups. Regarding parking an RV: please call Terrace Lakes office at 208-462-3250 for reservations. Group rate for use of the Pool is \$5.00 per person. For overnight accommodations Please call Terrace Lakes office at 208-462-3250: Motel is \$59.00 per night and the pool use is Free, Cabin is \$79.00 per night with Pool and Golf free. Note please call the Terrace Lakes office at 208-462-3250 to make these reservations. Let's make this Terrace Lakes meeting a memorable experience. Please RSVP: Dale Rutter Ph: (208) 350-8068

Baron's Car Show

Nobles,

It's that time of year again for another great Barons Shriner Car Show event to support the Patient Travel Fund. This year, we will be holding the event on May 21 from 9:00 am until 2:30 pm at the Shrine parking lot just like last year.

In order to help make this another great success, we are requesting a CALL TO ACTION asking each Noble to help out where possible for the following activities. We need help with:

- Setting up in the morning starting at 7 am and breaking down in the afternoon at 2:30 pm on May 21
- Finding a sponsor-there will be some sponsor packets in the Recorders office
- Provide a donation item for the auction

Please let me know if you can help out by emailing me at krufesr@gmail.com or calling me at 208-906-9590.

Yours in the Faith, Ken Rufe

Provost Guard's 10th Annversary Wine Tasting Featuring Hors d'oeuvres, Idaho Wineries & Jazz Quartet Saturday, May 6th 6:00-9:30 pm \$20.00 or two for \$35.00 Ticket info contact: El Korah Office 208-343-0571 or

Players Playbill

El Korah Facebook

The Players Unit, fresh off the annual Melodrama, jumped back into action with a memorable performance for several new Nobles in a cold sands ceremony held on April 15. While the full day Ceremonial will be planned for the fall, the cold sands ceremony performed by the Players was just as impressive, being done on full costume with the candidates enjoying a terrific performance by the Nile Dancers and an obligation ceremony by the Players Unit which was appreciated by all in attendance.

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El Korah Divan Ladies

The Divan Ladies are preparing a wonderful custom cookbook featuring favorite recipes from all El Korah Nobles, Ladies and Masonic Family. The cookbook will be professionally published and is certain to be a special remembrance for everyone to enjoy.

Please submit 3 - 5 of your favorite recipes so you can be represented in the El Korah Cookbook. You have the option of mailing them to El Korah, emailing them to one of the committee members, or logging on to <u>www.elkorahshrine.org</u>, clicking on the link to the El Korah Ladies Cookbook and upload your recipe to the website. The instructions to upload are easy to follow. Your name will be printed with each of the recipes and you can add personal notes about why the recipe is special to you.

Please include with every submission the Contributor Name, Title, Primary Unit/Club/Masonic Organization

To email your submission or if you have questions, please contact one of the following Committee members:

Anne VanWassenhove ann.van@icloud.com 208-250-1028 Jackie Holloway rjholloway2010@gmail.com 208-221-3647 Sue Risner susan.risner@yahoo.com 208-860-2291 Deadline for submissions has been extended to May 10, 2017

Greeters Greetings

In the Oasis Come sing with Gayle Chapman on the piano

Every Tuesday night 6-8 pm

Oasis is open M-F 4 pm to 8 pm Socialize with your fellow Nobles! Happy Spring to all! The Greeters meetings have been well attended each month, and April's meeting was no exception. We learned about pests (the insect and arachnoid type) and how to get rid of them. The May Greeters meeting will be held at El Korah on Friday, May 5. Our speaker for the evening will be Vicki Vosburg and she will be talking about how to use herbs in our diet. We may all find ways to make our meals at home more appetizing and tasty. See you all on the 5th! Art Kilton, President

2017 EL KORAH CIRCUS UPDATE

YES, the 2017 El Korah Circus program is underway. To-date, all venues in eastern and western Idaho are booked. The 2017 Circus Contract is signed with the Jordan Circus Team. Jordy Jordan is bringing all animals and some new acts to our Circus in June. We are currently confirming the team of Circus Chairmen who will be making the 2017 El Korah Circus a great success. Later on, we will be asking for more Nobles and Ladies to be part of the Travel Team and to help us here in the Boise area. We are planning on using the Membership Story Board at these events. This means we will need Masons and Shriners to help us man the Story Board and tell Circus attendees about our history and mission. More details and progress reports will follow.

The Circus Dates are:

| Sunday | June 18th, Travel Day (Travel Team) to Idaho Falls | | |
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| Monday | June 19th Circus in Idaho Falls | | |
| Tuesday | June 20th Circus in Pocatello | | |
| Wednesday | June 21st Circus in Twin Falls | | |
| Thursday | June 22nd Load-in at Boise at Century Link Arena | | |
| Friday**** | June 23rd. Circus in Boise at Century Link Arena | | |
| Saturday | June 24th Circus in Boise at Century Link Arena | | |
| Sunday | June 25th Circus in Boise at Century Link Arena, Show Close | | |
| *** Meridian Dairy Days Parade Friday Evening in Meridian | | | |



Tortland Shrine Hospital Report

The Portland hospital had 197 inpatient days for March 2017 with 543 inpatient days year to date compared to 120 inpatient days and 362 year to date inpatient days in 2016. Much of the increase is due to higher acuity surgeries, which increased the average length of stay. Hospital surgeons have performed 273 surgeries year to date compared to 260 year to date in 2016. Year to date outpatient encounters is on target with expectations with 3,111 encounters year to date.

A Volunteer Appreciation dinner will be held at Al Kader Shrine in Wilsonville, OR on Sunday, May 21. Upcoming outreach clinics will be held in Anchorage, AK on May 13-14, Pendleton on May 19, and Medford, OR on June 9-10. Finally, applications are being solicited for upcoming openings on the Portland Board of Governors. If you have a professional background or work experience that would be useful in a hospital board position, please contact the Recorder's office for an application. For additional information on what it means to be on the Board, or the commitment required for board membership, please contact Dave Triplett or Rick Holloway.



Salt Lake Shrine Hospital Report

Thank you, El Korah Nobles, for your donation of \$10,000 to the Salt Lake Travel Fund. This enables us to help treat more children from Mexico who need our help. Thank you, Iras Temple No. 40, Daughters of the Nile, and to the Marines for their trailer load of toys that were delivered last Monday.

Thank you Treasure Valley Wood Workers for multiple boxes of wooden cars. The El Kalah clowns have put labels on some of them and are passing them out at parades and public appearances. They make a great "3D" business card. Thank you Laird Stone for leading the Twin Falls Shrine Club in putting on a banquet for the North/South Shrine Football players. The game will be held at Wood River High School in Hailey on May 29th. Laird has been involved in this wonderful event for many years. Proceeds from the game go to the El Korah travel fund.

Thank you to Scott Andersen, our Chairman of the Board for being so proactive, fine tuning reports, being engaged in all aspects of the Hospital, and conducting productive meetings.

Beverly Valletta, our Human Resource Manager, recently used the Blue Angels film to strengthen our core values on Teamwork with the principle of Trust being emphasized. The staffs are encouraged to Able, Believable, Connected, and Dependable. Beverly was recognized by Imperial for being the first to embrace this training and is being asked to assist in future training initiatives.

We are below budget for the year as our spine surgeries are not as numerous as past years. This type of surgery uses the most dollars. We are doing more outreach clinics and are looking to add more Telehealth locations like the one in Idaho Falls. These clinics help reduce travel time and expense. Our Chief of Staff, Dr. Kristen Carroll, reported that Cerebral Palsy affected almost 25% of our patients. She explained that it is caused by brain damage during birth or while in the womb. Treatment is as varied as the disease and we continue to work with the University of Utah to learn more.

Please mark your calendars for the Potentate's trip to the Hospital on September 15-17 for the "Walk for Love" and hospital tour.

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MAY 2017

Did You Know?

EL KORAH SHRINERS COMING EVENTS May 2017

- May 6: Provost Guard Wine Tasting
- May 10: Stated Meeting
- May 20: All Masonic Picnic (contact Recorders office)
- May 21: Barons Car Show Ken Rufe 208-906-9590
- June 17: Emmett Cherry Festival Parade Director Mark Isserman 505-803-9558
- June 23: Meridian Dairy Days Parade Director Mark Isserman 505-803-9558
- Sept 10: Mt. Home Air Force Appreciation Day Johnny Willis 208-590-2147
- Oct 7: Sand Duners Screening Clinic Shane Curry 208-620-6090
- Oct 21: Portland Food Caravan Jay Garrett 208-707-4397
- Oct 28: Sportsmans Raffle Garland Risner 208-866-9411

This notice will be will be sent out regularly so our Nobles may know of events and activities going on at El Korah.

If in doubt about an event, please call the Recorder's office at 208-343-0571. Remember to book events with the Recorder at least 60 days in advance of the event date.

2017 continues to be a busy year. Please see the events above and make plans to attend. Many of these events will require 2 or more Noble volunteers to make them successful. Please look at your own personal calendar and see what event and day you can help.

Please make it your personal goal to participate in at least ONE event this year. Call Noble Max Bearden, Recorder, or Kim at 343-0571. You can also contact the person listed under each event to volunteer and get any questions answered prior to the event you may choose.

Thank you for your help and support!





IRAS TEMPLE NO. 40, DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE BY SONJIA YATES, PRINCESS BADOURA

What a beautiful installation we had with our Beautiful Queen Jenny, Thank you for all your love and support. We are so excited to work with you all this year and want to share in our fun events we have coming up. We had our first Stated Session of the year and what a great job everyone did and how fun it was!

We have our Silver Tea on May 20that Princess Norma Randall's home, the announcement with the address is included. We are now registering teams and seeking sponsorships for our 3rdAnnual Daughters of the Nile Golf Tournament, which will be held at Lakeview Golf Course in Meridian on August 26th with a 9am Shotgun. If you are interested please contact Pr. Sony Yates at 869-6922.

I wish you a Wonderful and Healthy Month of May. Blessings to all!

- *Duner's Doings* May 6 2nd Buggy Maintenance Day @ Risner's, starting at 9:00 a.m.
- May 6 fish fry at the Fannin's, starting at 4:00 p.m. RSVP to Noble Chris Burgess
- Parades June 17, 23; July 4; September 9
- October 7th will be our Annual Screening Clinic.

We had our first maintenance day on April 22. Thank you to the Risners for hosting us and providing the shop. There were quite a few Nobles there to make the work thorough. Thank you to our new Duner's for coming out and helping prepare the buggies for this year's parade season.

Mark your calendars for a Summer of Duner fun!





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May 2017

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY | |
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| | | Tin Lizzies US Klowns | Band Provost Guard | | Greeters Players | Provost Guard Wine Tasting | |
| 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | |
| | Director's Meeting Divan Meeting | Nile Sewing/Cards | STATED MEETING | | | | |
| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | |
| | Black Light Patrol Payette SC El Korah Clowns | Cameleers Director's Staff Sand Duners | Band | Meridian SC | | Nile Silver Tea All Masonic Picnic | |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | |
| Barons Car Show Gold Rush SC | Snake River SC | Elmore SC SE Idaho SC | Caldwell SC | | | | |
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| | Memorial Day North/South Football Game- Burley | | | | | | |
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June 2017

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| 11 | | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| | | Twin Falls SC | | Band | Meridian SC | | Emmett Parade |
| 18 | | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| | | Circus-Idaho Falls Payette SC | Circus-Pocatello Cameleers Director's Staff Sand Duners | Circus-Filer | | Circus-Boise Meridian Dairy Days Parade | Circus-Boise |
| 25 | | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 1 |
| | Circus-Boise | Black Light Patrol Snake River SC Story Story | Elmore SC SE Idaho SC | Band | | | |

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