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Please be prompt. Your **Volunteer Editors** require time to format the Dust! Pictures should include a caption, if appropriate.

Email your submission to:
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Be sure to double check your submission for grammar and spelling.

Your **2023 Shrine Dues** were due by 12/31/22. If you do not have a current 2023 dues card, you are delinquent. Avoid the dreaded NPD list and contact the Recorder's Office today (343-0571).

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September Stated Meeting

**Wednesday Sept 13th, 7:30 pm
 Masonic Temple Assoc Building**

Potentate's Message *by Ill Sir Ray Schild*



Congratulations to Mitch Davis and the other Ambassadors for putting on a super Cinco de Mayo Nobility Night! Sixty-eight Nobles and guests enjoyed an outstanding taco bar and had a great time. And the frozen and on-the-rocks Margaritas didn't hurt!

We held our May Stated Meeting in Jerome at the Masonic Temple Brothers in an iconic Blue Lodge setting.

Our upcoming summer events include:

- Shrine Circus from June 20–25 week in June with Ric Bobier and Dave Brannan at the helm. Put on your Fez and come on out to support our largest 2023 fund raiser.
- A Corn Hole Tournament on June 10th at the MTA building that Dave Brannan and Anthony Patterson are working hard to put together.
- Imperial Session July 1–7 in Charleston, SC.
- Summer PNSA being held July 26–30 in Spokane, WA.
- The Cameleers Annual Bike Ride on August 19th benefiting the adaptive bike program at the Salt Lake Shriners Children's Clinic.
- And then there are our Parades. Let's put on our Fez and make sure everyone knows that Shriners are still here.

Speaking of the MTA, we have signed leases for space at MTA Building, 1755 N Westgate, Boise, ID, 83704. As soon as Ill. Sir Will Votaw gets our insurance policies in place,

Wayne Foster will be moving the Recorder's Office there and Dave Bennett will make the IT hookups. Then it'll be business as usual for the Recorder at our new location.

We have put in the application to move our liquor license and Will is working with Ken Beaudreau to get the new bar built. Wally, our bartender extraordinaire has agreed to move with us and keep us well

served. In the meantime, we continue to lease the Oasis back to give us more time to finalize the license being approved at MTA, which has to occur within 90 days of leaving the Oasis. We will do all that we can to protect our license.

Shrine property at the El Korah building is being moved to our new location or to storage and the Clubs and Units are expected to do the same with their property. We can still use El Korah for events and meetings, but we will be holding our September Stated meeting at the MTA building. Our general goal is to start full operations at the MTA building in September.

We are making plans for our Fall Ceremonial in November which will either be at the MTA building or the Jerome Masonic Temple. Look for more details this fall.

Shine the Light You Were Given!

Yours in Faith, Brothers!

RayRay



NOTICE

New Address for Recorder's Office
1755 N Westgate Dr, Suite #125, Boise, ID 83704

Shriners Children's Clinic in Salt Lake City Report

by Dave Brannan, High Priest & Prophet



The Salt Lake City medical facility is continuing its transition from a Hospital to a Clinic, with some minor changes as a result of the transition. The facility is continuing to run under budget, partially due to open positions that they in the process of trying to fill, with several new employees scheduled for on-boarding in June. Outpatient visits are down slightly in 2023 compared to 2022, but projections are for higher overall patient visits in 2023.

Nathan Clark Director of Development has taken a position at another hospital. Nathan had a major impact on Donor

development during his 5 years at SCC SLC, he will be greatly missed.

The Epic medical record software system went Live in the middle of May, completing a long software implementation process. The new software will allow for faster updates to online patient medical records.

Masking requirements at the facility were dropped last month due to low COVID numbers, only 1 employee tested positive in April, masking will be reinstated if the numbers start to rise again.

Walk for Love sponsorship efforts are underway with a large donation pledged again this year from Big O Tires. The contract with Hogle Zoo has been finalized and the website for registration should be up and running by the end of May. The Utah Grizzlies have recently toured the Salt Lake City facility and have agreed to participate in the Walk for Love event at the Hogle Zoo this year.. Look for additional information about Walk for Love in the near future.

Legacy Giving

by Bruce Drewes, Fundraising Chairman



The past few weeks have seen a number of events held within the Masonic Family including Degree work in the Blue Lodges, meetings of the Daughters of the Nile and Eastern Star, the Honored Ladies Luncheon, and the 220th Robert Hibbs, 33rd Memorial Scottish Rite Reunion.

We also saw Black Camel reports for Johnny Robert E Lynch and Robert C Cannon, which for me, makes the messages of the Scottish Rite Degrees even more pertinent. The verbal and written information in the degrees instructs Scottish Rite Masons to make plans for their future since we never know what or when the Supreme Architect of the Universe has plans for us.

Along with planning for your family's needs, you may also want to include some support for your Masonic Family as well. To assist with this, a Planned Giving Guide has been developed and is posted on the El Korah website at elkorahshrine.com. Go to "Local Happenings" and select "Estates and other Planning Docs" to find this document.

Look for other estate planning documents that will be added to this tab later this summer.

Parades Update

by Mike Keas, Parade Director

We have 4 parades coming up over the next 3 weekends.

- 1) June 10th - Old Fort Boise Days Parade in Parma
9:30 am lineup, 11:00 am step off
Line up on McConnell St. next to Maxine Johnson Elementary
- 2) June 17th - Cherry Festival Parade in Emmett
4:30 pm lineup, 6:00 pm step off
Line up is the same as previous years
- 3) June 24th - National Oldtime Fiddlers' Festival Parade in Weiser
9:30 am line up, 11:00 am step off
Line up at Weiser High School, 690 West Indianhead Road
4. June 24th - Dairy Days Parade in Meridian
This is a televised event!
Should be 5:00 pm line up, 6:00 pm step off
Line up - info is still pending

Portland Shrine Hospital Report

by Ill Sir Rick Holloway



I recently gave a talk at the Greeters and the Honored Ladies luncheon at El Korah and discovered there are many people who don't know some of the structural parts of serving on a Board of Governors or hospital operations. The following is an overview of what I talked to them about. Some of you will know most of these facts but I know there will be some who don't.

First, each of the hospitals have an appointed Board of Governors. Members of the Board come from the Shrine Centers who are affiliated with that hospital. A Shrine Center may be affiliated with more than one hospital. El Korah Shrine in Boise, for example, is affiliated with both the Portland hospital and the Salt Lake clinic (formerly a hospital). Members of the Shrine Center apply to be on the Board and are interviewed by a Nominating Committee consisting of current Board members. Members are selected based on their professional/occupational backgrounds, and not because they are Past Potentates, current members of the Shrine Center leadership team, or if they are Past Masters or current/past members of the Grand Lodge in their jurisdiction. The names of the recommendations for Board membership are forwarded to the Imperial Board for final approval.

Being a Board member is a substantial commitment. Members are selected for a three year term, and they are expected to serve three terms for a total of 9 years, at which time the Board member can be elected as Emeritus status. Most of the Portland meetings are on-site, requiring travel to/from Portland as well as a hotel room and meals to attend the monthly meetings. Over the 9 year period of service on a Board, a Board member will be expected to attend 108 meetings plus other events such as food caravan, events at the hospital, promoting the hospital at your Shrine, the East-West football games, and so on. As mentioned above, Board members have a variety of backgrounds and experience, and they are selected based on the needs of the Board, but most importantly it is the ability to work together as a team. All of the travel expenses are donated, so there is a substantial financial commitment as well. However, Board members get to visit with patients and families, as well as the staff who give of themselves to take care of the kids.

There are currently two other members of El Korah who are members of the Portland Board (Mike Mastropaolo and Joe Randall) and Ray Westmoreland and Dave Brannen are members of the Salt Lake Board of Governors.

Boards of Governors are charged with Governance versus Management—we don't manage the employees; that is the role of the administrator. We are charged with governance-making sure the "doers" are doing what they are supposed to be doing and that we are complying with state/federal regulations

With the changing health care environment, some of our hospitals in select markets are moving away from the traditional hospital model to alternative care settings. There used to be 22 hospitals. As of now, we have 14 hospitals, 3 former hospitals that have transitioned to Medical Centers, one which is now a clinic (Florida), two which are now outpatient clinics (Springfield, MA and Salt Lake City), and one which is now an ambulatory surgery center (Twin Cities). Additional ambulatory care centers and satellite clinics have been established in Medford, OR, Tijuana, Mexico, Doylestown, PA, Bismarck, ND, Boys Town, NE, Rapid City, SD, and Monterey, Mexico.

The Portland hospital is located on Marquam Hill adjacent to, and physically connected to, Oregon Health Sciences University. We have a terrific relationship with OHSU and utilize their Pediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU) in case some patients need that level of care.

Portland is licensed for 29 beds and has about 300 staff positions. They have an advanced therapy program, a motion lab where kids have sensors attached to various parts of their body and their movement is precisely tracked for diagnostic purposes, a school, x-ray services (including an EOS machine which does a full body x-ray scan and only subjects the patients to about 5% of the normal radiation compared to a CT scan).

There is also a Pediatric Orthotics and Prosthetic Services (POPS) program at the Portland hospital, which creates individualized orthotics and prosthetics for that hospital and several others. They saw 4,542 visits in 2022 and 2,756 devices were delivered last year.

Portland had nearly 800 outpatient surgeries, 17,000 outpatient encounters, and 300 inpatient discharges in 2022. All of this occurred while decreasing the draw on the endowment from about \$13 million per year in 2016 to \$5.5 million in 2021. Our draw on the endowment increased to just over \$8 million in 2022 primarily due to increased staffing costs but also due to an increase in the number of international patients we are seeing which previously were going to Pasadena and Salt Lake.

Portland Shrine Hospital Report (cont.)

by Ill Sir Rick Holloway

The Portland Hospital was a thankful recipient of a very generous donation from Queen Linda Gray of \$250,000 for the purchase of a specialized microscope to be used during surgery. This microscope will allow neurosurgery and very precise incisions to be made to better treat our beloved patients. Sadly, Queen Linda passed away on March 26, one year to the day since she was installed as Queen of Iras Temple No. 40 and one day before the formal presentation by the Daughters of the Nile Foundation for Queen Linda's thoughtful and generous gift.

We now have the ability to input extremely high resolution x-ray images to our 3D printer so that our spine surgeons can actually print the spine of a patient and hold it in his/her hands to identify exactly where to surgically alter the spine. Having this option can reduce the time a patient is in surgery by up to 2 hours!

The complex spine surgeries performed at the Portland hospital sometimes necessitate the insertion of Magnetic Expansion Control (known as MAGEC rods) for scoliosis. They cost nearly \$20,000 each and it takes two-plus several screws at \$700 each. Very few pediatric orthopedic surgery hospitals outside the Shrine system use these because they are so expensive. However, once it is implanted in a patient, as the patient grows, a device applied to the spine externally spins expanding rods that can make adjustments to the rod without surgery. A patient can be out of the hospital in 30 minutes or less instead of going back into surgery to have the rods adjusted to accommodate growth.

The screws used to attach rods to a patient's back must go into a small bone in each vertebrae called a pedicle. If the screws are not accurately placed, it could result in a fracture of the pedicle. Even the best surgeons have about a 20% miss rate on accurately placing the screws. We were able to secure a \$1 million donation to purchase a device called an O-Arm, which accurately positions the screws so that a surgeon consistently achieves a 100% accuracy rate in the placement of the screws. We are one of only a few hospitals in the Shrine system that have an O-Arm.

Portland just completed their survey by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Health Care Organizations. This survey is required to maintain our Medicare/Medicaid certification and licensure. We also continue to work toward getting accredited by the American College of Surgeons.

The Portland Hospital does much more than provide excellent care for kids with orthopedic issues. We also are the only trainer of pediatric orthopedic surgeons for Australian fellows.

We also have a strong research program. There have been multiple patents earned over the years and grants are received from multiple sources to perform research. Recent breakthrough discovery of a Collagen X marker which is a predictor of bone growth, thereby allowing more precise surgical interventions for kids who are preparing to enter or exit a growth spurt.

If you have any questions about the Shrine hospital system, please contact me.

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Shriners Burn Patient Tyler Pickering

by Ill Sir Bert Miller



Tyler in 2008

Nobles & Ladies, a terrible plane collision occurred at the McCall Airport in May of 2008. The only survivor was a four year old boy named Tyler Pickering, who was severely burned in the accident. He suffered the loss of his two older brothers and grandfather, who was the pilot of the plane.

At the time of the accident, I was serving as Public Relations Chairman for El Korah. KTVB Channel 7 News contacted me requesting assistance in getting Tyler to the Burn Unit in Sacramento. Two weeks later, Tyler was transported to Sacramento and began receiving the care he so desperately needed.

The 2008 picture is of Tyler with his mother, Jennifer, and me. They attended our Ceremonial and thanked all the generous Shriners for the wonderful burn therapy they received at the Shrine Hospital. The picture of the strapping young man standing next to the Ford Mustang is Tyler this year.

This month, I was honored by Tyler and the Pickering family with an invitation to Tyler's graduation from high school. This was such an uplifting experience to know that Jan and I played a small part in helping this dear family.

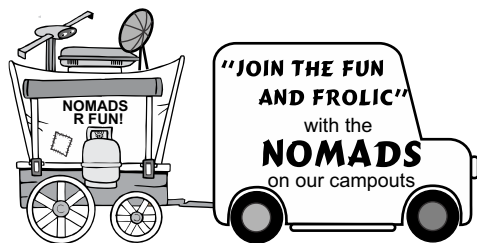
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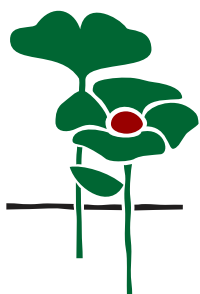
Tyler in 2023

Upcoming Nomad Outings

by Jim Voyles, Trail Boss



June 26-29	Black Bear OR McCall RV Resort (McCall, ID)
July 24-27	Y Knot RV Park (The winery at Glenns Ferry, ID)
Aug 3-5	EW Shrine Game / Mt View RV Park (Baker City, OR)
Aug 6-9	Park at the River (Wallowa Lake, OR)
Aug 24-28	Challis Hot Springs (Challis, ID)
Sept 25-28	Bruneau Dunes (Idaho State Park near Bruneau, ID)



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Chaplain's Corner

by David Triplett, Chaplain



June is a month that is full of special occasions besides our Circus and Parades

June 5 is [World Environment Day](#) — a day meant to raise environmental awareness across the globe. The focus this year is on plastic pollution, do what you

can to reduce your use of plastic bags, bottles, etc. Our planet depends on it.

June 14 is [Flag Day](#) (U.S.). I memorized the following tribute. Take time to read it and reflect, and then thank a veteran.

Here's to the red of it--There's not a thread of it, No, nor a shred of it,-in all the spread of it from foot to head. But heroes bled for it, Faced steel and lead for it, Precious blood shed for it, Bathing it Red!

Here's to the white of it--Thrilled by the sight of it,-Who knows the right of it,-But feels the might of it Through day and night? Womanhood's care for it made manhood dare for it, Purity's prayer for it-Keeps it so white!

Here's to the blue of it--Beauteous view of it, Heavenly hue of it, Star-spangled dew of it-Constant and true; Diadems gleam for it, States stand supreme for it, Liberty's beam for it brightens the blue!

Here's to the whole of it--Stars, stripes, and pole of it, Body and soul of it,-O, and the roll of it, Sun shining through; Hearts in accord for it, Swear by the sword for it, Thanking the Lord for it, Red White, and Blue!

A favorite memory was when our El Korah Mounted Patrol would present the flags on horseback for special occasions, such as Rodeos, Parades, and Posting the Colors at 4th of July events. The "Stars and Stripes" was adopted by the Continental Congress as the official American flag on June 14, 1777, in the midst of the Revolutionary War.

June 18 is Father's Day. It is "Written on Stone" to Honor your Father and Mother. Write down a favorite time you've had with your father and share it with your family.

There are more special days in June, so Enjoy Every Day. And . . . Let's hope the fishing will be good all month!

Daughters of the Nile

by Sidonia Miller, Princess Badoura

The Silver Tea to honor our Queen Debbi deBoer was May 13 and was held at Past Queen Sonija Yates's lovely Home. We celebrated with good food and lively conversation and special guests.

There are many activities and fundraisers planned this summer even though Iras Temple No 40 is going dark

for June, July and August. Excitement is building as we prepare for Supreme Session in Connecticut this June. Watch for our mini-float at Meridian Dairy Days Parade June 24.

Join us for Sizzling Summer Bunco July 21 with picnic food and Raffle prizes. We will be gathering in Tacoma, Washington for Northwest Daze August 11. Our Annual Picnic is August 19 at Settler's Park so bring the family. Our members are also looking forward to gathering during summer at Pop-up Parties.

Saturday September 9 is the Daughter's of the Nile Golf Tournament at Falcon Crest Golf Course. Consider putting together a team for this event. The cost for a team of 4 is \$500 or singles are welcome and can be combined with others for \$125. Enjoy a complete program of special events: 18 holes of golf, lunch, raffles and silent auctions.

Please join us as we raise money for Shriners Hospital and Clinics. Have a great Summer!



Queen Debbie deBoer at the Silver Tea with Greeter escorts Nyal Pedersen, Ill Sir Rick Holloway and Dave Triplett



SAVE THE DATE...Saturday, Sept 9th, 2023

9th Annual



Taking care of the children at the Shriners Hospitals!

- All profits raised help the children at the Shriners Hospitals for Children® and Iras Temple No. 40
- This year's event will be held **Saturday, Sept 9th** at Falcon Crest
- Registration begins at 7:30 a.m., with shotgun start at 9:00 a.m.
- Breakfast items will be available with preorder required.
- The cost for this event is \$125 per player or \$500 per team. This price includes 18 holes of golf, riding cart, breakfast, lunch, & awards.
- There will be awards. A buffet luncheon will be provided.

Enjoy a complete program of special events:

- Breakfast Burritos
- 18 holes of golf with cart
- Lunch
- Raffle
- Silent Auctions
- Men and Women longest drive contests
- Closest to the pin challenge
- Team awards

Available for pre purchase:

Raffle Tickets: 6 for \$10.00
Mulligans: \$5 or 3/\$10
Ropes: \$10 or 2/\$15

Pre order Breakfast Burritos

Choice of bacon or sausage with hashbrowns and eggs.

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Contact Person for Team: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

BREAKFAST PRE-ORDER: # of Bacon: _____ # of Sausage: _____

Player 1 _____

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Player 2 _____

Raffle Tickets: \$ _____ Ropes: \$ _____ Mulligans: \$ _____

Player 3 _____

Raffle Tickets: \$ _____ Ropes: \$ _____ Mulligans: \$ _____

Player 4 _____

Raffle Tickets: \$ _____ Ropes: \$ _____ Mulligans: \$ _____

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Please pay ON or BEFORE September 1st, 2023

Send to Iras Temple, PO Box 140345, Boise ID 83714

Contact: Mary Baldwin 208-484-3330 or mebaldwin51@gmail.com

Moneys paid before August 1st will receive 1 Mulligan and 1 Rope per person



Daughters of the Nile 9th Annual Golf Tournament

Sponsorship Form

September 9th, 2023

Falcon Crest Golf Course

Shotgun Start 9:00 a.m.

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All Sponsorships go to the Shriners Hospitals for Children® through the Daughters of the Nile Foundation and are 100% tax deductible. You will receive a receipt for your donation.

Membership

by Dave Brannan, Chairman

The Corn Hole Tournament is scheduled for 10 am on June 10th at the MTA Parking Lot. A big thank you to Captain of the Guard Anthony Patterson for his help and for managing this event. We have 7 groups that have agreed to participate: the Greeters, the Cameleers, the Blacklight Patrol, the Sand Duners, the Players, and the Divan. Thanks to all who agreed to participate and make a donation. We will provide food and drink, prizes and any money remaining from the donations will go to the patient travel fund. We will have prizes for Top Team, Top Group, and Best Decorated Corn Hole Boards.

We have had no new prospects this month in Webfez.

We are planning a dinner sometime this Fall for the Sojourners that have moved to our area .

We still have 73 Nobles who are delinquent with their 2023 dues, of which 30 are slated for suspension for being two years in arrears. If you have not paid your dues for the year, please get them in to the Records office so that you can get off the dreaded NPD list.

El Korah Shrine Circus

by Dave Brannan, Co-Chairman

The Circus is scheduled for June 20th in Idaho Falls, June 21st in Rupert, June 22nd in Gooding, and June 23rd - 25th at the Ford Idaho Center. , additional circus information is available at elkorahshrine.com.

The Free Children's tickets and the Tickets that are being sold, have been received and we are in the process of distributing them; tickets for sale at participating Albertsons, DL Evans, and Ridley's. Thanks to Chief Rabban Ric Bobier, Ill. Sir Dave Thomas and his Lady Pam, and Captain of the Guard Anthony Patterson for helping distribute these tickets.

The Nobility and Honored Ladies tickets have been mailed. Thanks to the Nobles and Honored Ladies for helping to support the El Korah Shrine Circus Fundraiser.

We have two online ticketing systems operating: Jordan Circus (jordancircus.com) and the Ford Idaho Center.

We have radio advertising running in Southeastern, South Central, and Southwestern Idaho.

We will be running full page ads in the Idaho Free Press, the Meridian Free Press, and the Caldwell/Kuna Free Press roughly one week before the circus performances get started.

We are still looking for volunteers to work the circus performances, both for the traveling shows and in Nampa. Please send an email to circus@elkorahshrine.com if you can help.

2023 EL KORAH SHRINE CIRCUS

**Come One!
Come All!**



Idaho Falls
Tuesday, June 20th
4:00 pm and 7:00 pm

Rupert
Wednesday, June 21st
4:00 pm and 7:00 pm

Gooding
Thursday, June 22nd
4:00 pm and 7:00 pm

Nampa (Idaho Center)
Friday, June 23rd
7:00 pm

Saturday, June 24th
2:00 pm and 7:00 pm

Sunday, June 25th
1:00 pm and 5:00 pm

Daughters of the Nile Charitable Giving Report

by Ann Triplett, Past Queen

Since Daughters of the Nile Foundation was instituted in 2008, Iras Temple No. 40 has given just over one million dollars to assist the Shrine with their hospital system.

Under the leadership of Queen Linda Gray, Iras Temple No. 40 donated **\$368,876.33** to support the Shrine Hospital System in the past year.

What a joy it is for us to know we are helping your precious children in your system enjoy a better way of life. Thank you El Korah Shriners for supporting us!

Greeters

by Ed Hulme, Secretary

Our May meeting was unusual with the combination of meeting and Nobility Night. The attendance at both events was respectable and I believe all the Nobles and Ladies who ventured out really had a wonderful time.

The next function for us is the summer picnic. It will be at Tully Park in Meridian on August 13th. The unit will provide the table service, chicken, and an open bar. Some bring their own table service and you may do as you wish. Please bring a potluck dish, dessert, or salad to share. The time will be 11:00 AM social gathering with dinner to follow.

We have reserved the large shade covered area so the heat will not be a problem. There is ample parking available and a breeze usually keeps everyone comfortable. We are looking forward to seeing you all there!!!

Either myself or President Dave will put out information in August concerning the September meeting as to location, program, dinner and date. With Labor Day being the first part of September I suspect we will be meeting on the 8th.

From The Recorder's Desk

by Wayne Foster, Recorder

The Recorder's Office is officially open at our new location at 1755 N Westgate Dr, Suite 125, Boise, ID 83704. The phone number and Recorder's email will remain the same:

(208) 343-0571 recorder@elkorahshrine.com

There is still a lot of work that is being done. The Club and Units Room in the Masonic part of the building will be completed soon and will be available for meetings.

Watch your emails for update details on our move to the MTA building because as things get finished, I will send out information via Constant Contact.

On that note, I am always updating the Constant Contact email list. If you know someone that is not getting the Constant Contact emails, let me know so I can add them. The Desert Dust is sent out via the Constant Contact email list. I have heard from several people that they would like to receive a printed copy. If you would like the Dust mailed to you, or know someone who would, please contact the Recorder's Office.



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Cameleers

by Ray Westmoreland, Bike Ride Chairman

The Cameleers have two distinctly different events happening this year. Our Fraternal fundraiser is the Bike Raffle which will raise funds to upgrade our stable (cargo trailer) along with other camel stuff.

Our Charitable fundraiser is our 2nd Annual Bike Ride for Kids. Last year we raised \$5500 for the Salt Lake Shriners Children's Clinic adaptive bike program. This year's goal is \$10,000.

The Cameleers added two new, full-fledged and degreed members. Maybe we can be Unit of the Year again?

Thanks for everyone's help and support for our endeavors!!



2023 Cameleers for Kids

A Family Bike Ride Event

Saturday, August 19th

Proceeds go to the
Adaptive Bike Program for Shriner Kids

Starts at Noon
Kristin Armstrong Park
Boise

Questions? email
EKSCameleers@gmail.com



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EL KORAH SHRINE Cameleers **BIKE RAFFLE**

Tickets \$5 each
\$100 per book of 20
(Only 2,000 Tickets Sold)

Drawing at 12:00 pm
Aug 19, 2023
Kirsten Armstrong Park, Site #7
NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN!

Get Tickets by calling:
El Korah Shrine Office... (208) 343-0571
Ray Westmoreland (208) 371-3833

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JUNE 2023						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 Potentate's Nobility Party
4	5	6	7	8	9	10 Last Night at Shrine Oasis Corn Hole @ MTA
11 Gold Rush SC	12	13	14	15	16	17
18 Father's Day	19	20 Shrine Circus Idaho Falls	21 Shrine Circus Rupert	22 Shrine Circus Gooding	23 Shrine Circus Nampa	24 Shrine Circus Nampa
25 Shrine Circus Nampa	26	27	28	29	30 Oasis Opens at MTA	

JULY 2023						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
30	31					1 Imperial Session
2 ←	3	4 Imperial Session - Charlotte, NC	5	6	7	8 All Masonic Picnic →
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29 Baker City Parade & Football Game

AUGUST 2023						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19 Cameleers Bike Ride
20	21	22	23	24	25	26 Potentate's Nobility Party
27	28	29	30	31		