

Official Publication of El Korah Shriners

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## 2024 Divan

#### **Elected Officers**

Potentate	Ric Bobier
Chief Rabban	Ray Breshears
Assistant Rabban	David Brannan
High Priest & Prophet	Bruce Drewes
Oriental Guide	Jason Morales
Treasurer	Will Votaw, PP
Recorder	Wayne Foster

### **Appointed Divan**

1 <sup>st</sup> Ceremonial Master A	nthony Patterson
2 <sup>nd</sup> Ceremonial Master	Bob Martin
Marshal	Mischa Brady
Chaplain	David Triplett
Captain of the Guard	Dave Roberts
Outer Guards	Rod Baldwin
	Gail Sivey

#### **Other Divan Positions**

Director	Ron Bishop
Assistant Director/Parade Di	rector
Ray W∈	estmoreland, PP
Assistant Chaplain	Skylor Lenz
Chief Potentate's Aide	Merl Mews
Ambassador Coordinator	Mitch Davis

#### Potentate's Aides

Coordinator	Mischa Brady
Aides	Black Light Patrol
Chief Aide Emeritus	Dick Swift

# To that undiscovered country



None to Report

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## \$50.00 per year

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#### **Editor's Notice**

The Desert Dust is published monthly, except July and August.

## Submissions are Due by the 20th of the Month

Please be prompt!! Remember, the Editor is volunteering his time to publish the newsletter.

Pictures should include a caption, if appropriate.

Email your submission to Gary at gsbetts@msn.com

## **2024 Shrine Dues** were due by **12/31/23**.

If you do not have a current 2024 dues card, you are delinquent and cannot attend meetings, etc.

Avoid the dreaded NPD list and contact the Recorder's Office today (343-0571).

Did you know that El Korah's budget relies on members paying their dues on time?

You dues help pay our bills and keep our doors open.

## **Hospital Board Members**

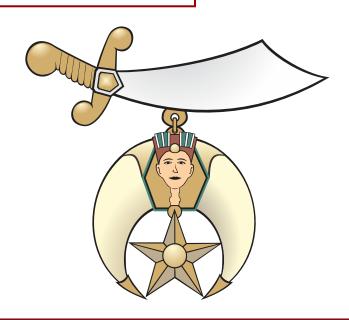
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Portland	Rick Holloway
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**May Stated Meeting** 

Wednesday May 8th, 7:30 pm Boise Masonic Center

## Potentate's Message by Ric Bobier



First Lady Tandy and III. Sir Ric

With the March and April Madness behind us, we are now heading into hopefully the first real month of Spring.

Firstly, I would like to extend my best wishes to Garianne Erwin as the new Queen of Iras Temple No. 40 Daughters of the Nile. The Installation was well attended and was genuinely a nice ceremony.

Congratulations to both outgoing Queen Debbie DeBoer and to incoming Queen Garianne Erwin, who is going to have a busy and productive year ahead of her.

Our April Stated Meeting was attended by approximately 40 plus Nobles. The delicious meals prepared by our Noble Recorder / Head Chef, Wayne Foster certainly added to the camaraderie and enjoyment of the evening. Thank you, Noble Wayne, for providing such great meals, it really makes a difference and I know the Nobility enjoys your hard work.

Chief Rabban Ray Breshears and Assistant Rabban Dave Brannan both attended the Twin Falls North South Shrine Allstar Football Game Banquet for the Players and their parents in Rupert, representing El Korah Shrine and the Salt Lake Shriners Childrens Clinic. Thank you both for all you do for El Korah Shrine and our Fraternity.

I attended the Idaho Grand York Session in Burley and represented El Korah Shriners; it was nice to see so many York Rite Masons and fellow Brothers in attendance.

Noble High Priest and Prophet Bruce Drewes has been out beating the ground to get the ATV / UTV Units and Clubs around southern Idaho to sponsor and attend the ATV Ride coming up on June 1. Thank you Bruce for your commitment and hard work on this project.

In the spirit of continued camaraderie and relaxation, our newly formed Cigar Club will be meeting at Sturman's in Garden City on Sunday, April 28 at 3:30PM. Come on down, have a cigar and a cordial with your friends. Assistant Rabban Dave Brannan, and our Captain of the Guard Dave Roberts are working diligently to make this club prosper and come together.

On May 4, will be at the Cinco de Mayo celebration at the Boise Scottish Rite Building starting at 6:00 PM.

Ambassador Coordinator Mitch Davis and his wife Sue, along with Noble Bob Julian, Noble Bruce Drewes and Lady Jeri and a multitude of others are putting on this great event. Put on your Sombrero and come down and have some margaritas and some



delicious Mexican food. Tickets are still available.

Our May Stated Meeting will be our last meeting before we go dark for a few months. We would love to fill the Lodge room and I know Noble Wayne has something up his sleeve for our meal. The meeting will be Wednesday, May 8 at 7:30 PM with dinner at 6:30 PM at the Westgate Masonic Center.

Chief Rabban Ray Breshears and Lady Lonna are putting together the Potentates Nobility Ball, which will be held on Saturday, May 18 at the Courtyard by Marriott on Eagle Road, just South of Overland Road. The invitations are out, and you should have received them by now, if you have not, please let our Recorder know, because we would love to have you attend. Also, if you would like to stay at the Marriott that evening, rooms are available please let them know that you are attending this event at their hotel.

May will end with the Twin Falls Shrine Club Annual North South Allstar Football Game to be held in Burley at Burley High School. This game draws players, coaches and cheerleaders from the Magic Valley and the District Four, Idaho High School Activities Association. There are two games scheduled, with the 8-man game starting the morning followed by the 11-man game in the afternoon. Please join us in Burley on Memorial Day and support the Twin Falls Shrine Club, the players, and their parents, and this, the 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Game.

## "Energize More in 2024"

Yours in Fellowship and Brotherhood, Ric Bobier - Potentate

## **Portland Shrine Hospital Report**

by Ill Sir Rick Holloway



The Portland Shrine Hospital is continuing its strong performance through March in outpatient services but inpatient days and surgeries have temporarily softened somewhat. Through the end of February (the latest Imperial Reports available), Portland exceeded even Northern California in Net Patient Revenue, taking the top spot among all Shrine Hospitals for the first time. This is remarkable in that Northern California is a substantially larger hospital than Portland. Our Case Mix Adjusted Average Length of Stay is the shortest in the system. The Case Mix score dropped a bit in March due to decreased numbers of spine surgeries. However, the number of new kids seen in 2023 was 24 percent above 2022 totals. The number of international patients seen has dropped from 42 in 2023 to only 8 so far this year in 2024, largely due to difficulties in securing Visas for patients and their families.

The new clinic in Redmond, OR started up on April 26, 2024. Clinics will be held twice monthly on the second and fourth Fridays of each month.

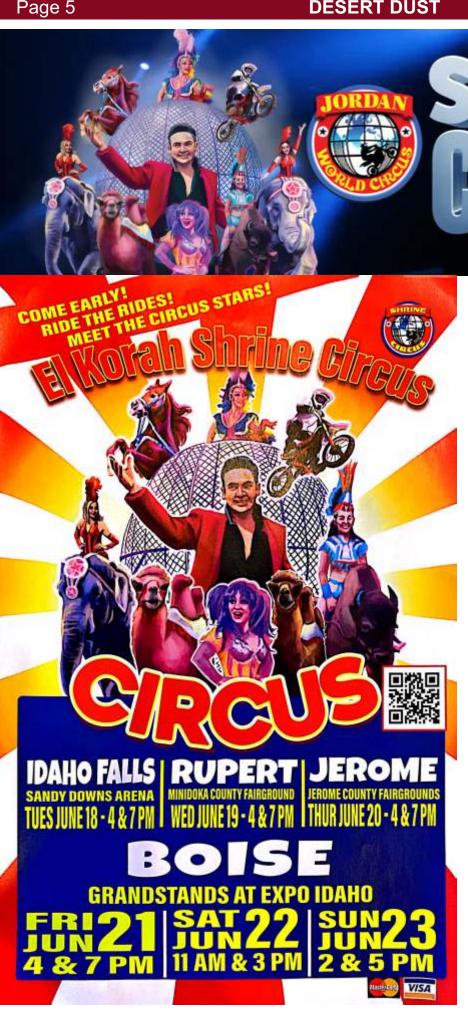
If you are ready to head to Seattle for some play at the Nile Shrine golf course, you'll get your chance on May 17, when the 2024 Shriners Children's Northwest Classic Golf Tournament will be held there in Mountlake Terrace, Washington. The cost is \$150 per player with a 4 person team scramble format. Virtually all of the tournament proceeds go to support the Portland and Spokane Shrine hospitals.

If anyone has any questions about the Portland Hospital, please reach out to Joe Randall or I via text, email, or phone. We are always willing to provide any additional information you may have regarding the Portland Hospital. The Portland Hospital is also looking for new Board members to start serving in January 2025, so if you are interested in this great opportunity to serve the hospitals, please contact the Recorder's office for the applications. If you have any questions about what it is like to serve on the Board of Governors, please contact Joe Randall or I. We would be happy to tell you what it is like and how rewarding it is to serve on the Board of Governors for Portland.

## El Korah Shrine May Nobility Birthdays

Take a moment to send a greeting to our Birthday Brethren on their Special Day!

May	1	Jorge	Castaneda
May	1	David	Combs
May	3	Alan	Fox
May	4	James	Franklin
May	5	Randy	Watts
May	8	James	Doering
May	8	Marc	Essary
May	10	Michael	Glanders
May	10	Larry	Sutton
May	11	Danny	Davis
May	11	James	Duffy
May	11	William	Lawrence
May	11	John	Warner
May	12	Terry	Jones
May	15	Mark	Combs
May	16	Robert	Carleton
May	18	Mark	Rose
May	18	Clyde	Schrader
May	19	John	Blake
May	20	Ronald	Bishop
May	20	Terrell	Dufur
May	20	Kelly	Riggs
May	23	Howard	Gautschi
May	24	Matthew	Stallsmith
May	24	Michael	Yavno
May	25	Noah	Serna
May	27	Douglas	Blandford
May	27	John	Williams
May	28	Michael	McKinney
May	28	Richard	Murphy
May	29	Bert	Bollar
May	31	Wesley	Gates



#### El Korah Shrine Circus

by Dave Brannan, Chairman

The Circus will be held from:

#### June 18th thru June 23rd

I am looking forward to a great Circus this year. There will be Elephant and Bison acts (animal acts for the first time in several years), the Jerome County Fairgrounds (the biggest turnout that we have had while I have been involved) is back as a circus venue with a new set of grandstands, and the EXPO Idaho Grandstands is a new venue for the Boise area.

We have a good start on the list of volunteers that are needed for the traveling crew for performances in Idaho Falls, Rupert and Jerome, as well as for the performances in Boise. If you are interested in volunteering for the Circus, please email me at Circus@elkorahshrine.com so that I can add you to the list. We are in the process of preparing the Nobility Tickets for mailing and they will be sent out in the next few weeks.

I want to say thank you to the Nobility for supporting our annual Circus fundraiser, we would not be able to hold this event without your help.

## **Fundraising Committee**

by Bruce Drewes, High Priest & Prophet

## Come Play in the Desert June 1, 2024 El Korah's Fun Ride!

The fun starts on Friday May 31, 2024 with the Clubs and Units and other workers arriving to set up operations. We'll need to run the route and put out trail signs, course markers and lay out the check points and registration area. Those who want to camp onsite and hang out with the Shriners are welcome join us. It's dry camping, but it is free. The El Korah Nomads are planning on several of there rigs being there.

On Saturday, we will start welcoming guests. Registration opens at 8:30 am. There will be raffle items and silent action items for people to check out and bid on as they get ready to go. Breakfast items will also be available for purchase. After a safety briefing at 9:30, the riders will start hitting the trail at 9:40 am.

As riders finish their ride and return to the registration area, they'll be able to continue their bidding on the silent auction items, buy more raffle tickets and enjoy dinner items for purchase. The silent auction ends at 4:30 pm, which is when silent auction and raffle items will be awarded and the winners of the Fun Ride will be announced.

Then the real fun starts. We'll begin the break down of the registration area and then ramp up for an evening of relaxing and visiting.

On Sunday morning, we'll run the course again to cleanup the route and retrieve the trail signs and markers and tear down any remnants of the check points, making sure to return everything to their pre-event conditions.

I have met with the public promoting the Fun Ride and have received many positive responses. I spoke with the Mountain Home ATV Club and the Canyon County, Boise and Kuna ATV/UTV groups and many of them are already signed up.

We are still seeking sponsors for the check points that the riders must pass through in order to draw their numbers. We have a couple sponsors, but need three more.

To register for the Ride, go to the El Korah website:



elkorahshrine.com or scan the QR Code

Online Registration is \$65.

You can also register On-site the day of the ride for \$85.



We still need volunteers to help on the day of the event. The Black Light Patrol, Nomads and Greeters have already offered support, but more is always welcome. "It takes a village to raise a child" and similarly, it'll take the support of our whole organization to turn this Fun Ride into a truly great event.

If you don't have an ATV or UTV, you are still welcome to volunteer. We'll need workers at the assembly area. If you want to help at a remote check point, we'll be able to transport you there. Several are accessible by motor vehicle.

Bless you all for everything that you do! I want like to thank everyone in advance for their assistance in the development of this exciting event!

## Chaplain's Corner

by David Triplett, Chaplain



"I believe that the first test of a great man is his humility. I don't mean by humility that he doubts his power, but really great men have a curious feeling that the greatness is not of them, but *through* them. And they see something divine in every other

man and they are endlessly, foolishly and incredibly merciful." *John Ruskin* 

Where did the story of Divine Mercy originate?

St. Faustina, a humble Polish nun, received extraordinary revelations in the 1930's, which she recorded in her diary. In her diaries, she spoke about her experiences in prayer, where Jesus appeared to her and shared that God's mercy is available to all, just as it was to the thieves on both sides of Jesus at the time of his death. If not for God's mercy, none of us would reach anywhere. This experience eventually became a devotion in the Universal Church.

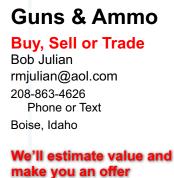
John Ruskin is saying that endless mercy is an outpouring of humility. Humility is a tricky concept to understand because this word has been misused and misrepresented over the centuries. Many fall for false humility, in which someone makes themselves "unworthy" of something by saying it aloud while internally holding on to the idea that they are essential, great, amazing, and so on.

True humility, the knowing that we are blessed and beloved of God and is are the rest of world, is transformational. Humility is truth-telling. It begins with a profound self-awareness. It grows with a deeper connection built with God. Only when we know the greatness is not ours, but of God, then sharing it with God is what makes the difference and personal growth possible.

So, the Divine Mercy! We are, in the end, living on because of God's incredible Mercy. Without God's kindness, goodness, generosity, and unconditional love, we wouldn't be where we are today. So I invite you to reflect on God's unfathomable love for you and share it with others. Begin to see that even our enemies are God's children. There is something divine in every person.

Be kind and merciful, just as God is to you! Your kindness is all that it takes to change the world for someone!







# 2024 Potentate's Challenge Coin



Just a heads up . . . You'll want to start bringing your Challenge Coin with you whenever you attend a Shrine gathering, such as a Stated Meeting.

You never know when a Potentate's special drawing might pop up.

## Potentate's Nobility Ball

by Ray Breshears, Chief Rabban

Come join the El Korah Nobility for a truly grand Shrine affair, the Annual Potentate's Nobility Ball. Wear your fez and your finest outfit and dine and dance the night away with your Illustrious Potentatte and First Lady. Get your reservation soon. Call the Recorder's Office to RSVP 343-0571. Just \$50 per person.

Please join Illustrious Sir Ric Bobier and Lady Tandy for the

## Potentate's Nobility Ball

May 18, 2024



\$50 per person Entrée Choice - New York Strip or Salmon Vegetarian by request

> Courtyard by Marriott 1789 S Eagle Rd, Meridian

6:00 pm Cocktails, 7:00 pm Dinner Rockn Rooster and Dancing to follow

Semi-formal or formal attire

For tickets contact the El Korah Recorder's Office 208.343.0571 recorder@elkorahshrine.com

No Tickets Sold at the Door

## 45th ANNUAL DISTRICT FOUR



# SHRINE

Donations Appreciated

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# FOOTBALL

**Burley High School** 

Monday - May 27, 2024

8-Man Game: Kickoff - 3:30 p.m.

11-Man Game: Kickoff - 6:00 p.m.

This Game Made Possible by:
District Four Idaho High School
Activities Association &
Magic Valley District Shrine Council



## Shriners Children's

"More than Just a Game"



Please bring a can of food to donate to the Shriners Hospital

#### Greeters

by Bob Martin, President

Spring has finally arrived! Last month's dinner meeting was a big success. Jim Duthie, a retired Channel 7 News weatherman along with his wife attended and gave an excellent talk on gardening.

We have one more meeting in May before our summer break. There will be no meeting in June, July and August.

During the summer, the Greeters will be actively supporting the Shine Circus and the booth at the Western Idaho State Fair. We will also be at the fair representing the hospital. We will also be participating in a few parades thru out the summer. The big happening for the Greeters will be the Greeters picnic on August 11 at Tully Park. Our May meeting we be on the 3rd of May. We will have Rick "Sarge" Meyers from FireWalkers International speaking. Rick is a Pyrotechnician who performs at airshows. We will be meeting at Casa Mexico. Meeting will start at 6pm.

#### **Provost Guard**

by John Kinney, Secretary

The Provost Guard has been holding regular meetings and planning on how we can increase our membership. Our responsibilities within the Shrine have changed. The Guard has been thinking of other responsibilities within the Shrine or with other Units that we could be part of. Our officers do not want to close the unit.

The Provost Guard will be selling our Shrine Jewelry before the Stated Meetings during dinner. Look for John Kinney with a display set up.

The Guard is looking forward to getting back to our regular meetings and supporting the Shrine.

## **Membership**

by Dave Brannan, Chairman

We have two new prospects that I am in contact with, neither of which are Masons, so I am working to get them into a lodge to get them started.

We still have one Mason that is in the process of petitioning and I am hoping that we will be able to vote on him in May.

I am continuing to work the Sojourner's list of Shriners that have moved to our area. I have 10 more to email before our stated meeting in May, at that point I will have emailed all of the Sojourners in our local area during the past year to try and make contact with them, and invite them to a stated meeting.

We have confirmed our booth inside the Expo Building at the Western Idaho State Fair in August (Aug 16 - 21). We still need volunteers to staff the booth from 10am – 10pm on each of the 10 days during the fair. Each day has three, 4-hour shifts: 10am – 2pm, 2pm – 6pm, and 6pm – 10pm and we'll need at least 2 people for each shift. Joe or Dave plan on working each shift, so volunteers do not need to be worried about manning the booth alone. We will be talking with folks about our Shrine Hospitals, Shriners and Masons. I'll have the signup sheet will be at the May Stated Meeting or you can contact Joe Randall (208) 284-0301 or me (208) 340-5373. Please consider supporting our efforts to promote our Shrine!

We have restarted the Shrine Cigar group, we meet the 3rd Sunday of every month at 3:30pm at Sturman's Cigar Shop (4204 W Chinden Blvd in Garden City). Come join us for a Cigar and/or Beverage and some good conversation.

70 Nobles still have not paid their 2024 Shrine dues. If this applies to you, please take care of this as soon as possible. Call the Recorder at (208) 343-0571 to make a payment.

Please do your part to help our Temple grow. Talk to men you know who would be good Masons about your Masonic journey. If you know a Mason that would make a good Shriner, ask them to consider joining the Shrine. You can also invite them to one of our activities. Talk about our philanthropy and tell them about the children we serve. These children are the reason that most of use ended up in the Shrine and it is something that we can all be proud of.



## I Have a Quilting Project!

Noble Steve Priest is looking for any old uniforms with emblems on them that could be used for making quilts. If you have something that might be useful, please contact Steve directly via text or email.

(208) 869-1752 pspriest1@gmail.com



Since the first Shriners Hospital opened in 1922, the health care system has improved the lives of more than 1.5 million children by providing excellent pediatric specialty care. Today, Shriners Hospitals for Children® is a unique health care system with a reputation for finding answers and giving families hope. At our locations in the U.S., Canada and Mexico, children receive quality care for orthopedic conditions, burns, spinal cord injuries, and cleft lip and palate, regardless of the families' ability to pay or insurance status.

#### **LEADING THE WAY IN ORTHOPEDICS**

The first Shriners Hospital was opened primarily to help children who had contracted polio. Now, the majority of our Shriners Hospitals for Children locations are staffed and equipped to handle virtually all pediatric orthopedic problems, including sub-acute trauma.

We provide treatment for clubfoot; Legg-Calv -Perthes disease and other hip disorders; hand disorders; limb deficiencies and discrepancies; scoliosis (curvature of the spine); osteogenesis imperfecta (brittle bone disease); juvenile idiopathic arthritis; and orthopedic difficulties related to cerebral palsy, spina bifida and other neuromuscular conditions.

Shriners Hospitals for Children offers a range of multidisciplinary services, including physical, occupational and recreational therapies, as well as orthotics and prosthetics. We also provide a wide variety of programs that focus on the overall needs and well-being of each patient.

#### PIONEERING BURN CARE AND RESEARCH

Shriners Hospitals for Children has been a leader in burn care, research and education since entering the burn care field in the mid-1960s. Thanks to the innovative medical care offered at our locations that provide burn care, every year countless children have a greater chance of surviving all types of burn injuries. Some of the advances made through our research efforts include improved survival rates, creation of pressure garments to minimize scarring, and development of engineered skin and better woundhealing techniques.

Shriners Hospitals provide critical, surgical and rehabilitative care for all degrees of burn injuries. Each state-of-the-art facility offering burn care provides

treatments for acute and sub-acute burns; healed burns; scarring that has caused contractures or limited mobility; smoke inhalation; facial scarring or deformities; and other skin conditions.

## DELIVERING EXCELLENCE IN SPINAL CORD INJURY REHABILITATION

Shriners Hospitals for Children was the first health care system in the country to develop spinal cord injury rehabilitation programs specifically for children. We offer innovative therapies, emotional support, and training in independent living skills. In addition, we emphasize exercise and activity-based rehabilitation. These activities increase strength and stamina and enhance social interaction, confidence and independence.

## PROVIDING EXPERTISE IN CLEFT LIP AND PALATE CARE

Cleft lip and palate occurs when the tissue that forms the upper lip and roof of the mouth fail to join together before birth.

At Shriners Hospitals for Children, patients with a cleft lip and/or palate are treated by a multidisciplinary team that works to improve the child's appearance and ability to eat, breathe and communicate. Each patient's unique treatment plan may include surgery, orthodontics, and hearing, speech and psychological therapies. Our goal is to help each child achieve optimal function, improve facial appearance to the fullest extent possible and build self-esteem.

To learn how to refer a child, please visit shrinershospitalsforchildren.org or call the patient referral line at 800-237-5055 in the U.S., or 800-361-7256 in Canada.





## SHRINERS CHILDREN'S

Provides Hope and Healing Through Care, Research And Education

Shriners Children's™ is a unique health care system with a reputation for finding answers and giving families hope. At our locations in the U.S., Canada and Mexico, children receive excellent care for orthopedic conditions, burns, spinal cord injuries and cleft lip and palate, regardless of the families' ability to pay or insurance status. In addition, national and global outreach efforts help us connect with more patients closer to their homes. Since its founding in 1922, the health care system has improved the lives of more than 1.5 million children.

#### STATE-OF-THE-ART SPECIALTY CARE

Shriners Children's provides care for children with all types of orthopedic conditions, including scoliosis, clubfoot, hip disorders, limb deficiencies and deformities, difficulties related to cerebral palsy and other neuromuscular conditions, as well as sports injuries.

To fill a need in the field of pediatric burn care, in the 1960s we established programs focusing on children's burns injuries and related conditions. Shriners Children's continues to be a pioneer in pediatric burn treatment. In the early 1980s, our organization began the nation's first pediatric spinal cord injury rehabilitation programs, which offer patients a complete range of services to help promote recovery to the fullest extent possible. Shriners Children's also offers comprehensive care for children with cleft lip and palate and craniofacial conditions.

All of our patients receive individualized custom care treatment plans. Our multidisciplinary teams offer hope and healing to families by finding ways to help patients meet their goals and reach for their dreams.

#### **GROUNDBREAKING RESEARCH AND DISCOVERIES**

Shriners Children's is committed to staying at the forefront of pediatric research. What began as a small research effort with a budget of \$12,000 is now a sophisticated, multimillion-dollar program with international recognition. Over the years, our researchers have made significant breakthroughs, including in burn care, congenital neuromuscular disorders, craniofacial conditions, orthopedics, spine care and sports injuries. We're breaking ground in some of the most innovative areas of health care, including genetics and motion analysis. This work advances our ability to provide precision care and allows us to develop more effective, personalized treatment plans for our patients.

#### **EDUCATING HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS**

We offer opportunities in a variety of specialties to help medical professionals continue their education, hone their skills and enrich their career. Topics focus on the most current best practices, innovative medical treatments and leading research. Many of our physicians supervise fellowships, speak at conferences, attend grand rounds, and participate in staff inservices. By maintaining relationships with medical teaching facilities, Shriners Children's fosters an academic environment committed to providing superior education for medical professionals and quality care to all patients.

#### PATIENT ELIGIBILITY

Admission to our medical facilities is based solely on medical need. Children under the age of 18 are eligible for care if there is a reasonable possibility they could benefit from the specialized services available. All services are provided regardless of the ability to pay or insurance status.

#### SUPPORT OUR MISSION

At Shriners Children's, our patients receive specialized treatment and support that encourages healthy, independent lives. As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, our health care system relies on the generosity of donors to carry out this mission of improving the lives of children.

- To learn how you can support our efforts, visit lovetotherescue.org or call **855-401-4897**.
- To learn more about Shriners Children's, please visit shrinerschildrens.org.



## Daughters of the Nile

by Meeka Pedersen, Princess Badoura

Iras Temple No 40 held an Installation of Officers on April 6<sup>th</sup>. As we close one chapter of our Temple history, we open another chapter under the direction of our Queen Garianne Erwin. It was such an exciting feeling to spot at least fourteen red fezzes in the audience that day. We welcome the support of our El Korah Shriners and look forward to working with you during the year. It makes us so proud of our heritage.



Queen Garianne Erwin being installed

It was reported at our April Stated Session that we will be named number one, out of 126 Temples, at our Supreme Session in June; in giving to the Shrine hospital system. This is for the calendar year of 2023. Please read this twice as it is unbelievable what we have accomplished along with your help. Iras Temple No 40 gave \$190,068.47 to our 501 (c) (3) public charity foundation which ALL goes to the hospital system. It gives us so much pride to be able to assist some child enjoy a better life.

We are looking forward to our Silver Tea to be held on May 4<sup>th</sup> from 1-3 pm at the home of Princess Verna Kessler. The address is 3389 E. Fratello St. in Meridian. We invite your ladies to join us sipping a cup of tea and enjoying our fabulous tea sandwiches and cookies. This Silver Tea is a special time where we make a donation to solely support the children. We would welcome any Shriner's to join us that day as well. Bring your wife , and wear your Fez, to this special afternoon event.

Don't forget to sign up for our 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament to be held August 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Lakeview Golf Course. Shotgun Start is 8:00am. I am sure there will be a flyer in this publication. This is our largest fund raiser in support of the hospitals and everyone goes away with a smile on their face.

Our big news of the year will be the Supreme Session of Daughters of the Nile which will be held right here in Boise, Idaho, June 9-13<sup>th</sup>. There are over 1,000 registered so far for this event. Many Shriner's from all over the United States, Canada, and South America will be attending this event. All events will be at the Boise Center on the Grove. The highlight of our Supreme Session will be held on Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024 when our own Past Queen, Jackie Holloway, will be crowned Supreme Queen of the Supreme Temple, Daughters of the Nile. This will be a first, and probably only, time this will happen in Boise so you won't want to miss it. Illustrious Sir Ric Bobier and Lady Tandy will be representing El Korah Shrine and we would love to see a sea of El Korah members there wearing your Fez. We will have a place for El Korah members, along with Nile members, to sit and enjoy the festivities. Please mark your calendars now to join us in this huge celebration; and wish our Jackie "God's Speed" as she embarks on this journey of love visiting all 126 Temples along with each of the Shrine Hospitals and Clinics.

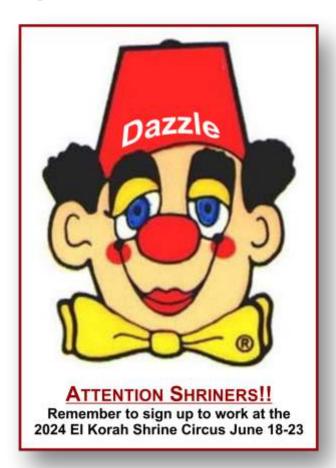


# JOIN THE EL KORAH SHRINE WIDOWS' & ORPHANS' FUND TODAY!

- Provides \$1,250.00 of immediate financial assistance to your beneficiary
- You must be a current member of El Korah Shrine under 55 years of age to join
- You remain a member of the Fund as long as you are a member of El Korah or other Shrine Temple
- Cost is \$5.00 plus a \$2.00 assessment whenever a Fund member passes away.

Contact the Recorder's Office for more information 343-0571

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#### **2024 PNSA**

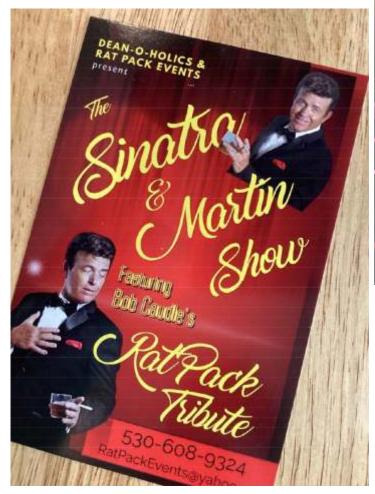
July 1st - Reno, NV

### A Step Back in Time

The Pacific Northwest Shrine Association is hosting a nostalgic evening that promises to whisk attendees away to the golden era of The Rat Pack. This exclusive event, in Reno, Nevada, offers a unique opportunity to relive the charm and charisma of Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, and the enchanting Marilyn Monroe. As the sun sets on July 1st, 2024, the festivities will commence at 5:00 pm, unfolding a night filled with melodious karaoke renditions by Shriners and their companions from around the globe.

A special highlight of the evening will be the performances to the tunes spun by the renowned Karaoke DJ Bob Caudle. The event is priced, with an advance payment option of \$30.00 available until June 21st, after which the entry fee at the door will be \$45.00. Post 8:00 pm, the gathering will transform into an adult-only zone, welcoming those over the age of twenty-one to continue the celebration.

Throughout the night, guests will be treated to a selection of Hors d'oeuvres and have access to a cash bar to satiate their thirst. The event also promises prizes across various categories, ensuring a delightful experience for all those attending. Attendees are encouraged to immerse themselves fully by donning costumes reminiscent of the Rat Pack era.





Whether you're a solo performer, part of a duet, or a group, this event guarantees an unforgettable evening.

Early reservations for this event are recommended and can be made through the official website:

#### Shrinerspnsa.wildapricot.org

Please take advantage of this advance payment discount. For any inquiries, the Pacific Northwest Shrine Association can be reached via email.

Pnsa2024@outlook.com

#### **Nomads**

by Brad Foltman, Scout

The kick-off camping trip for the 2024 Year for the Nomads was a huge success. There were ten rigs parked at the Mountain Home Resort campground and with the addition of a couple members coming in for just the day, there were over 22 people in attendance. Mitch & Sue Davis and Warren & Sandy Hill certainly know how to get barbequed pork loin just right. Everyone had plenty to eat including the breakfast that got the day started just right.

Though a little breezy, which is typical considering mid-April in Mountain Home, the weather cooperated which kept everyone smiling. The companionship, brotherhood and tall tales kept the energy going the whole time. It was a great lead-in to the next outing at Hagerman RV Village May 23-26 with hosts Carl & Dagmar Jeffries and Jim & Angie Voyles.

So whether you have a camping rig or just want to come visit for the day, you'll be welcomed to share in the comradery and great food. Hope to see you there.





Nomads getting ready for a meal in Mountain Home

## Potentate's Challenge Coin

by Bruce Drewes, High Priest & Prophet

If you are looking to buy one of the Potentate's 2024 Challenge Coins with a number lower than 200, you will be in for a real challenge. Over half of the 500 available coins have been sold in just the first three months. The popularity of this coin has even surprised me. Many Nobles (and spouses, too) have purchased more than one coin. Some have five or more. Challenge Coins are being bought as gifts for family members, children and grandchildren, and even for people outside the area. Remember that this is a fundraiser that supports El Korah. And don't forget that we will draw two numbers later this year for the \$500 prizes.



**Note.** The proceeds of this fundraising activity support El Korah Shrine and are not tax deductible.

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## 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL...Saturday, August 3, 2024



## Taking care of the children at the Shriners Hospitals!

Enjoy a complete program of special events: 18 holes of golf (including cart), lunch, raffle and silent auctions.

- Men and Women longest drive contest
- Closest to the pin challenge
- · Team awards

Available for purchase:

- Mulligans
- Ropes
- · Raffle Tickets

Available for pre purchase Raffle 6 for \$10.00 Mulligans \$5 or 3 /\$10 Ropes \$10 or 2 / \$15

- Proceeds help the children at Shriners Children's and Iras Temple No. 40
- Saturday, August 3 at Lakeview Golf Course in Meridian
- Registration: 6:30 a.m. Shotgun start: 8:00 a.m.
- Breakfast items for purchase in the clubhouse
- Cost \$125 per player/\$500 per team and includes golf, cart, lunch, & awards

#### PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Team Name:		
Team Contact:		
Player 1		
Raffle Tickets: \$	Ropes:\$	Mulligans: \$
Player 2		
Raffle Tickets: \$	Ropes:\$	Mulligans: \$
Player 3		
Raffle Tickets: \$	Ropes:\$	Mulligans: \$
Player 4		
Raffle Tickets: \$	Ropes:\$	Mulligans: \$

Total Remittance: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Make Checks Payable to <u>Iras Temple No. 40</u> for Teams
Please pay by July 26, 2024
Send to <u>Iras Temple, PO Box 140345, Boise ID 83714</u>

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

Registrations paid before June 28th will receive 1 Mulligan and 1 Rope per person



## Daughters of the Nile 10th Annual Golf Tournament Sponsorship Form

August 3, 2024 Lakeview Golf Course Shotgun Start 8:00 a.m.

Event Sponsor.....\$3001-\$6000 Corporate Sponsor.....\$500-\$3000

Putting Green Sponso Hole Sponsorship	or	\$300 (1 each) \$100
Donations		\$
If you would like to promote your company, you w If you need a cart at your hole you must reserve or All sponsors will be featured at	ne by July 26 and th	ne rental fee is \$25 for the tournament.
Sponsorship Amount:	Please complete	this section for Foundation Receipt
Company Name:		
Receipt Address:		
Email:		
Payment: Check Cash Credit Card Visa MasterCard _		
Name on Card (print)		
Billing Address		Zip Code
Card Number	Exp	CVV Code
Signature:		-
Email:	Phon	e:

Make Checks payable to Daughters of the Nile Foundation Mail to: Iras Temple No. 40 at PO Box 140345, Boise ID 83714-0345 or email to mebaldwin51@gmail.com

# Join El Korah Shrine and Scottish Rite for a Party?

## Saturday May 4th, 2024

Scottish Rite Masonic Center 1407 W Bannock St, Boise

6:00 PM - \$20<sup>00</sup> per Person No Tickets at the Door



Everyone is Welcome! Enjoy Enchiladas & Sopapillas Raffle Prizes! Margaritas & Cervesus

## For Tickets Call

El Korah Recorder 343-0571 Mitch Davis 859-7655 Bob Julian 863-4626

Proceeds benefit El Korah & Scottish Rite and are Not Tax Deductible

	MAY 2024									
	Sun		Mon	Tues		Wed	Thurs		Fri	Sat
					1	Provost Guard	2	3	Greeters Players	4 Cinco de Mayo Party
5		6	Board/Divan Meeting	7 Tin Lizzies	8	Stated Mtg	9	10		11
12	Mother's Day	13	Twin Falls SC	14	15		16	17		18 Potentate's Nobility Ball
19		20		21 High Country Sidewinders Cameleers Sand Duners	22		23	24		25
26			Black Light Patrol Korah Clowns ake River SC		29		30	31		

JUNE 2024								
Sun	Mon	Tues	Sat					
						1 ATV/UTV Fun Ride		
2	3	4	5	6	7	8		
9 Gold Rush SC	10	11	12	13	14	15		
16 Father's Day	17	18 Shrine Circus Idaho Falls	19 Shrine Circus Rupert	20 Shrine Circus Jerome	21 Shrine Circus Boise			
23 Shrine Circus Boise	24	25	26	27	28	29		
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