



EL KAHIR



KARAVAN

Rusty Meister - POTENTATE

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HIAWATHA, IOWA

Attention! Ye Sons of the Desert & Take Due Notice

Thomas McElwain Fall Ceremonial

Saturday, October 23rd, 2021

El Kahir Shrine

905 Tower Terrace Road

Hiawatha, Iowa

Schedule for the Day:

Registration:	1:00 pm
Candidate/Ladies Meeting	1:30 pm
First Section	2:00 pm
Third Section / Fezzing	3:00 pm
Education Section	3:45 pm
Coed Dinner	5:00 pm

We NEED Candidates!

A Message From Your Potentate



As the end of the parade season is closing and the holidays are approaching, I would like to thank everyone who has come out to help participate and support our events. Covid has not made this year easy on anyone. The Divan is actively monitoring the Federal, State, County, and City guidelines for any changes and updates.

Your safety and well being is very important to us. With that being said, if you are not feeling well or have been around someone who is not feeling well, please stay home. The safety of our Nobles and their families are very important to us.

There are still many events to help with and attend. The Sportsman's Raffle, Trunk or Treat, and the Patient Christmas Party are just to name a few. If you are interested in helping out with any of these events, please reach out to any one of us on the Divan.

On a personal note, I hope everyone has had a great year thus far. There have been many challenges for my family this year. A couple car accidents, thankfully the injuries were minor, a foot surgery, and having to put down one of our beloved Dobermans. With all of that, my family is doing well. My son, Jesse has just started in the DeMolay. He is very excited to be part of such a great organization. He just started middle school. Jazmyn has just started high school and is learning to drive. Jade and Cayla are doing well also. Jade is working at Olive Garden in Cedar Rapids and is in college at Kirkwood. Cayla is also at Olive Garden but in California. She is going to graduate from college next spring. We are very proud of our children.

I sincerely hope your families are doing well. Here's to "Bringing back the fun in 21".

Yours in the faith,

Rusty Meister

Potentate 2021



From Your Assistant Rabban



Dear Nobles and Ladies,

Isn't it great to be enjoying this Fall weather? Most Units and Clubs have had a very active Summer of parading, cooking out at their monthly meetings, traveling to CSSA and Imperial meetings, coming out to Basket Night and enjoying the entertainment, going to Bingo @ both El Kahir and up in Mason City, eating those incredible Omelets the first Sunday of each month and so much more.

YOUR WHY:

I'm just curious what "YOUR WHY" is? You know??? What was it that made you want to become a Shriner? Was it having or knowing a child that had a medical problem one of OUR Shriners Hospitals helped them with? Was it that you saw one or more Shrine Units having a blast in a parade? Was it that you heard about OUR World Famous and Award-Winning Oriental Band? Was it that you attended a fundraiser at a Shrine Temple and said, "WOW!!!! These people have a purpose I would like to help with.". Have you forgotten YOUR WHY and are lost? Consider coming back out to El Kahir Temple because WE have so many reasons and YOUR WHY is there WAITING FOR YOU!

UNIT & CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTIES:

If your Unit or Club is having a Christmas Party, please let the El Kahir Office know so we can put it on the calendar. I know some groups would like the Divan to attend and if you let the office know, this will be forward to YOUR Divan. You can also send your information to: Divan@ElKahir.Org and they will get it.

PATIENT'S CHRISTMAS PARTY:

We are having OUR Annual Patient's Christmas Party on Saturday, December 4th. It goes from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. OUR Hospital Dads and Ladies Auxiliary usually work to get this event done. It also gives our Nobility and their Ladies a chance to meet some of the Children WE have helped. I know volunteers are always needed so please consider helping out and don't forget to bring your FEZ!!

EL KAHIR'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY:

El Kahir is having OUR Annual Christmas Party the evening of Saturday, December, 18th. Details will be out when they are firmed up. Please consider coming out and enjoying the company of OUR other Nobles and their Ladies.

ELECTIONS IN DECEMBER:

OUR annual Temple elections are coming up soon. This is YOUR time to let YOUR Divan members know if you like what we have done FOR YOU this year. Have we been involved with YOUR Unit or Club? When you ask us a question and we do not know the answer, are they getting back to you in a timely manner or at all? Are we keeping you up-to-date on what is going on in "Shrinerdom"? Are we letting you know that YOU, OUR NOBILITY, are primary in our thoughts and actions? Personally, I have tried to get more events organized and conducted at OUR El Kahir Shrine to give YOU more reasons to "Come Out and Play". If YOU feel I have been working for YOU and have earned your respect, I would be honored to serve you next year as your Chief Rabban and I am announcing my desire to run for that office. If I have not met your expectations, I fully expect you to show me the door. Being on the Divan is one of the greatest opportunities a Noble can ever be given. SERVING their Nobility and OUR Shrine is a significant responsibility and should never be taken lightly or for granted. Along with the responsibilities you can have a ton of laughs, too! Please keep this in your thoughts when you come out to vote at our annual elections on Wednesday, December 8th.

In closing, I would like to say that it is YOU that makes being a Shriner so much FUN!!!! From the Kruzers' Car Show to the Basket Night. From the Widow's Without Nobles Luncheon to the Omelet Breakfast. I am having an INCREDIBLE YEAR and hope you have, too!

Yours in the faith,

Todd Morgan

Assistant Rabban

From Your High Priest & Prophet



Greetings Illustrious Sirs and Fellow Nobles of El Kahir,

Lady Tina and I recently traveled to Tampa Bay, Florida, for the 2021 Oriental Guide Leadership Conference. It was a great experience meeting with some of our Imperial Officers and their Ladies, along with Nobles from all over the country. Coming up Saturday, November 13th, We are having our Chili Cook off from 2 P.M. to 6 P.M. at the Temple. Come on out, Bring a Crockpot of your Award Winning Chili, and Cheer for the Iowa Hawkeyes while they play the Minnesota Gophers!

Just a reminder that we will have our Temple Elections this December at our Stated Meeting. Also we need the list of Officers for all of our Clubs and Units by November 1st.

Lastly, I want to say Thank you to ALL of the Shrine Family for allowing my Lady Tina and myself serve this year as High Priest and Prophet for the El Kahir Shrine.

Fraternally,

Christopher White

High Priest and Prophet

EL KAHIR SHRINE **Sat. Nov 13th**



905 Tower Terrace Rd
Hiawatha, IA 52233

\$ 10 DONATION
INCLUDES SOUP/CHILI,
DESSERT & 1
SODA OR BEER

2 PM Bring in
your Cooked
Chili
Judging Starts
at 3:30 PM
Winners
Announced at 5

**Chicken Noodle Soup
Will Also Be
Available**

Please Register by Nov.
1st by Calling Chris @
641-430-9378 or
Emailing at
HPP@elkahir.org

Proceeds are for Benefit of the El Kahir Shrine 2021 General Fund
Contributions are not tax deductible as a charitable contribution

From Your Oriental Guide



Fall is here and so are the opportunities to be involved at El Kahir. As summer activities wind down, it's a good time to get back in the habit of coming to the Shrine and socializing with other nobles. Something that is the responsibility of all Nobles is membership. Please reach out to our Nobles and their ladies that you haven't seen in awhile and also to our Blue Lodge brothers. We need to remember the the Temple isn't a brick and mortar building. It's people. And the more people involved, the more fun we can have and help the children served by our philanthropy.

I would like to thank the Divan and Nobility for sending me to Oriental Guide school. I received a tremendous amount of information and had the opportunity to meet and discuss new ideas with Nobles from around the country.

If you have ideas for great activities or fundraisers for the Shrine, I'm always open to suggestions. Hope to see you soon!

If you need to contact me, my phone number is 319-310-7945. Email is tkurtz33@gmail.com

Faternally,

Tom Kurtz

Oriental Guide



D.A.D. PROGRAM — DIME A DAY

The El Kahir Karavan Needs Your Support

Every month the Temple sends out approximately 450 issues. Of these, we send out 125 copies to the widows of Nobles. At a cost of approximately \$ 0.60/issue, keeping our widows informed of what is going on at El Kahir costs \$900 per year. We are asking that you consider donating at least \$35 per year for our Dime-A-Day (DAD) program to help fund the Karavan for these fine ladies. If only 26 Nobles subscribe for a dime-a-day, then the costs for keeping our widows informed is covered. Your name will appear in our monthly El Kahir Karavan and you will be assisting the Temple in continuing our publications.

Ill Sir. George Zinser	9/20	Ronald Bowers	11/20
Todd Morgan	9/20	Robert Stevens	11/20
Wayne Kinney	9/20	Darrell Fremont	12/20
Gary Rees	9/20	Margret Billings	3/21
Norman Wright	9/20	Delbert Shaw	4/21
Leland Thomson	10/20	Donald Gringer	6/21
Robert Murray	11/20	Joseph Lingua	7/21
Michael Moseley	11/20	Gerald Bakken	9/21

The Recorder's Corner



Well, here it is, fall already, We have had a hot summer this year. I wonder what this fall and winter will bring. Many things have taken place over the last few months. Many meetings, parades, and social gatherings have strengthened the fellowship of our Nobles and their Ladies. I hope you can attend these many different events and enjoy Shriners' fantastic work to impact children and their families positively. Thank you to every one of you who continues to work diligently to ensure that this wonderful organization continues to positively serve our communities. This cannot be done without the great teamwork we have amongst our Nobility and Ladies.

It's Fundraiser Time! The Sportsman's Raffle is upon us. Tickets are \$20 apiece. Books come with 10 tickets to a book. You can stop by the office or call 319-395-0109. You can pick them up or we can send them to you. Let a Divan member know so we can get these to you. The winners for the Seller's Incentive Drawing Ticket were Jack Hager, Matthew Hearn, and Brandon Slaymaker. Congratulations!

We have 13 Nobles who have not paid 2021 dues. 2021 dues notices will be mailed in the next couple of weeks. Please pay these at your earliest convenience. If you would like, you can pay your 2021 or 2022 dues using the automatic payment plan. If your 2020 dues are paid, you can go to Webfez and after you log in, you will find a SET UP PAYMENT PLAN button displayed. If you click on that, you will be able to set up a monthly or quarterly automatic payment plan that will have your 2021 dues paid by the end of October. More information on how this plan works can be found by clicking on the "important Information" heading in the Webfez information bar and then selecting "How to Set Up A Recurring Payment Plan." If you are having any problems, issues or need assistance, please contact me in the office or by email, and we will work something out: Recorder@Elkahir.org or 319-395-0109.

I would like to thank everyone for getting their 2020 Financial Statements in. I still have 3 that have not been turned in. Per Imperial By-laws 337.1 Financial Reporting requirements: Every Temple Unit must, at the end of each calendar year, complete the Report of Shrine Clubs and Temple Units form, Which is available from the Imperial Recorder, and File it with the temple recorder before the first day of February following the end of the calendar year.


Things coming up: Fifty-Year Member Presentation of Certificates, Ceremonial, Elections of Unit and Club Officers by the end of October. They must be sent into the Recorder by Oct. 31. Election of El Kahir Divan on December 8th, Chief Rabban proposed budget for 2022, Children's Christmas Party December 4th, and the El Kahir nobility Christmas Party on December 18th.

Finally, I hope everyone is enjoying the weather and activities with your family and friends. Please take precautions with Covid, and we hope to see you soon. Please stay safe; we need all of you. You DO make a difference.

Floyd Sauter

Floyd Sauter, P.P.

El Kahir Shrine Recorder

<u>Black Camel Report</u>				
	Born	Created	Died	
Gerald Horkheimer	8/31/1946	5/23/1981	11/23/2020	
Richard Gerstenkorn, Sr	12/8/1936	11/22/1986	7/25/2020	
Dewayne Shear	10/4/1932	5/19/1969	5/22/2020	
C. Leland Triplitt	8/7/1951	5/19/1980	4/14/2021	
Max Fitz	7/25/1930	5/16/1968	9/15/2021	
Daniel Melvin Yousse	6/8/1951	5/19/1980	9/27/2021	

Recent Donations

El Kahir Transportation Fund

In Memory of Max Fitz

Dale & Nancy Snyder
Michael & Melanie Moseley
Marilyn Thomsen
Janis Russell
Raymond & Lois Fergus
Lisa Trunnell
Susan Glesne
Robert & Sharon Murray
Barbara McMickle
Don & Carol Jo Rees
Jon Dusek
James Brutzmann
Keith & Judy Zeigler

Endowment Fund

In Memory of Elnora Ritze

Keith & Judy Zeigler

In Memory of Don Gaddis

Robert & Carole Hansen

Gun Raffle Sales Booth Donations

Ace Aosse

September 2021 Monthly Report

Total as of 9/1/21 = 481

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Added</u>	<u>Loss</u>
Creations	2	
Affiliations	0	
Resorations	1	
Associates	0	
Associate Dropped		0
Deceased		1
Demitted	0	
Suspended	0	
Resigned	0	

Total as of 9/30/2021 = 483

<u>eMail Address</u>	<u>Recipient</u>
Potentate@elkahir.org	Potentate
ChiefRabban@elkahir.org	Chief Rabban
AssistantRabban@elkahir.org	Assistant Rabban
HPP@elkahir.org	High Priest and Prophet
OrientalGuide@elkahir.org	Oriental Guide
Treasurer@elkahir.org	Treasurer
Recorder@elkahir.org	Recorder
Chaplain@elkahir.org	Chaplain
Director@elkahir.org	Ceremonial Director
Divan@elkahir.org	El Kahir Divan
AdminAssistant@elkahir.org	Administrative Assistant

BuildingAndGrounds@elkahir.org	Building and Grounds
Circus@elkahir.org	Circus Committee
Editor@elkahir.org	Karavan Editor
GunRaffle@elkahir.org	Gun Raffle Committee
Membership@elkahir.org	Membership Committee
	Weekly eMail Newsletter
Newsletter@elkahir.org	Subs
Office@elkahir.org	Office Staff
Onions@elkahir.org	Vidalia Onion Sales
Parades@elkahir.org	Parade Marshal
PublicRelations@elkahir.org	Public Relations Committee
WebMaster@elkahir.org	WebMaster

GREETINGS FROM THE DIRECTOR'S STAFF

Greetings from the Director's Staff. Our 2021 parade season is almost complete. We had a great time in Amana at Oktoberfest. We have a couple of more popcorn truck nights and 2021 will be in the books.

I know you are waiting for the answers from the last Karavan. Keep the cards and letters coming in and I will keep finding good jokes. Pretty soon, Jay Leno will want me on his show. Here they are –

What do you call an alligator in a vest? (An investigator!)

How do you throw a party on Mars? (You planet.)

A HUGE, GIGANTIC congratulations to our very own Ill. Sir George Zinser and Del Shaw as well as Ryan Besh's Dad, Bruce on receiving their 50-year certificates and pins. THAT'S dedication! Thank you to each of you for everything you have done to make El Kahir strong, fun, and world renowned.

Look for us at these events

Basket Night – Remember, Basket Nights are still the 'hip' place to be on the 2nd Friday of each month. If you haven't come out to a Basket Night recently, you're missing out. Customers are coming from Alaska and Hawaii. Invite a friend to come with you and share in the cuisine.

As usual, food for thought (or my jokes of the month) Answers next month.

Why didn't the duck pay for the lip balm?

What did the frog order at McDonald's?

Yours in the faith,
Jim Arnold



Hospital Trips

Mid-August Through Mid-October

<u>Date</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Driver</u>	<u>Co-Driver</u>
8/15-16	Chicago	Bart Waddell	Casey Waddell
9/29-30	Chicago	Bart Waddell	Casey Waddell

In addition to these trips, seven other patients took themselves to appointments in the Minneapolis area and relied upon El Kahir to provide lodging and/or meals and mileage.

If we have inadvertently failed to mention your name as a driver or co-driver, or if you would like to be a volunteer driver, please call Nancy at the office (319-395-0109).



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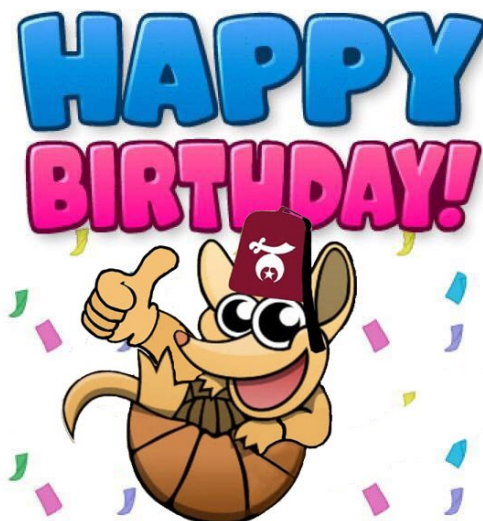
Tuesday, November 30, 2021
5:00 pm – 7:00 pm

All you care to eat Spaghetti with:
Meat Sauce, Meatless Sauce, or Alfredo
Salad
Garlic Bread
Tea or Coffee

\$ 10.00

Curbside Pickup Available (call ahead – 319 395-0109)

Proceeds are for the Benefit of El Kahir Shrine Center activities. Payments are not deductible as charitable contributions.



October-November Birthdays

October

10/1 – Lee W. Kibbie
 10/1 – Andrew W. Mullnix
 10/1 – Cliff A. Weaver
 10/2 – Bruno S. Bracewell
 10/3 – Wayne A. Thiese
 10/3 – Jack L. Roehr
 10/3 – Richard D. Meyer
 10/3 – Kyle Hinz
 10/4 – Dewayne E. Shear
 10/4 – Henry M. Keyes
 10/5 – Steven E. Mortimore
 10/5 – Douglas E. King
 10/5 – Lyle E. Scott
 10/10 – Rowe C. Zehms, Jr.
 10/10 – Emmett J. Frauenkron
 10/10 – Matthew L. Hearn
 10/11 – Rex D. Eyestone
 10/11 – Ryan L. Besh
 10/12 – Charles R. Kutin
 10/12 – Richard R. Hurlbut
 10/13 – Cloyce Hutton
 10/14 – Kent L. Schmitz
 10/15 – De Wayne A. Ossman
 10/15 – Eldon K. Uhlenhopp
 10/16 – James W. Boelman
 10/16 – William F. Lincoln
 10/16 – Gary G. Hunt
 10/16 – Jerry F. Jones
 10/18 – R. G. Wilson
 10/20 – Curtis W. Foreman
 10/21 – Robert M. McQueen
 10/21 – Mark A. Bergmeier
 10/22 – Randy E. Cejka, PP
 10/22 – Jeffrey L. Maassen

10/23 – Glenn A. Isserstedt

10/23 – David A. Sutton, PP

10/24 – James L. Bugge

10/25 – David D. Field

10/25 – Larry D. Shultz

10/26 – Joshua P. Teeter

10/28 – Ernest J. Buresh

10/29 – Daryl R. Schumacher

10/30 – Daryl R. Roberts

10/30 – David A. Heims

November

11/1 – David E. Sires

11/2 – Gerald L. Bakken

11/2 – Thomas Mehmen

11/4 – Charles L. Kent

11/4 – Gary D. Berger

11/4 – Larry E. Shears

11/4 – James W. Burr

11/7 – Wallace G. Christ

11/7 – Wayne A. Ehlers

11/8 – Robert L. Mead

11/8 – Robert J. Zimmerly

11/9 – David H. Petersen

11/10 – James D. Leonard

11/10 – Bart K. Waddell

11/10 – Charles F. Bacon

11/10 – Curtis J. McCallum

11/11 – Kenneth K. Kinsey

11/11 – Lloyd C. Billman

11/11 – Craig S. Heavenlo

11/12 – Harley E. Reichart

11/12 – Justin L. Tisor

11/12 – Anthony E. Miller

11/13 – Harlan L. Le Clere

11/13 – Kenneth A. Bahe

11/14 – William E. Shultz

11/15 – Charles W. Becker

11/16 – Gaylord L. Billerbeck

11/16 – Clarence W. Slife

11/17 – Louis L. Stolba

11/17 – Don L. Gaddis

11/17 – Daniel J. Brain

11/19 – Thomas R. Anderson

11/19 – William C. Johnson

11/19 – Richard J. Klinefelter

11/20 – Jeffrey T. Ferres

11/20 – James Evans

11/21 – Eldon J. Beers

11/22 – Jessie L. McCormack

11/22 – Joseph F. Kwapil, Jr.

11/22 – Jeffrey S. Braun

11/23 – Ronaldo J. Hager

11/24 – William D. Gasway

11/24 – Neil E. Becker

11/24 – Richard P. Schwarm

11/25 – Michael J. Cole

11/26 – William C. Stickney

11/27 – Gary D. Reeder

11/27 – Daniel T. Nordyke

11/28 – Donald E. Boland

11/29 – John W. Brandt

11/29 – Chad E. Clapper

11/30 – Patrick R. Moore

PETITION FOR INITIATION AND MEMBERSHIP

SHRINERS INTERNATIONAL

EL KAHIR SHRINE

To the Potentate, Officers and Nobles of El Kahir Shrine, situated in the Oasis of Hiawatha, Desert of Iowa:

I, the undersigned, hereby declare that I am a Master Mason in good standing in _____ Lodge, No. _____, located at _____

Furthermore, I do not now, and never will, hold membership or allegiance to, any body claiming to be Masonic that has been declared clandestine by the Grand Lodge of Iowa or Grand Lodge of any State.

If, I be found worthy, and my request granted, I promise to conform to the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of the Imperial Council and the Bylaws and Ceremonies of El Kahir Shrine.

Signature _____

Name in full (Initial Not Sufficient)

Full name (print) _____

Birthplace _____ Date of Birth _____

Profession or Occupation _____

Have you previously applied for admission to any Shrine? Yes ___ No ___

If so, what Shrine? _____ When? _____

Residence: Number & Street _____

Town or City _____

County _____

State/Zipcode _____

Telephone (Home) _____ (Office/Work) _____

Telephone (Cell) _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Wife's Name _____ Hat or Fez Size: _____

Date: _____

Were you in the DeMolay? Yes / No

I would be interested in joining a Unit or Club. Yes / No

INITIATION FEES

Total Initiation Fee - \$300.00

(Includes Jeweled Fez, Hospital Fee, Imperial Per-capita and current year's dues)

FULL PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY THIS PETITION

Recommended and Vouched for on the Honor of:

No 1. Noble: (Sign) _____ # _____ Unit _____

(Print) _____

No 2. Noble: (Sign) _____ # _____ Unit _____

(Print) _____

Recorder's Signature _____ Date Rec'd _____

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