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Kid's Day and El Kahir Golf Tournament

(Not sure who had the most fun!)



Elective:

Larry D Ritze, PP Illustrious Potentate
 Todd W Morgan Chief Rabban
 Thomas N Kurtz Assistant Rabban
 James T Voss High Priest & Prophet
 Oriental Guide
 Larry Potter Treasurer
 Floyd A Sauter, PP Recorder

Appointive:

Donald E Mosier 1st Ceremonial Master
 Donald E Harris 2nd Ceremonial Master
 Justin L Tisor Director
 Dennis L Hearn Marshal
 Richard J Hofmeyer Captain of the Guard
 Jimmie E Arnold Chaplain
 George R Zinser Outer Guard

LIVING PAST POTENTATES

James M Fry	1995
George R Zinser	1996
Dennis R Wiley	2000
S Michael Brain	2002
Marlin W Mullnix	2004
Christopher D Gilstrap	2007
Randy E Cejka	2008
Darrell R Hansen	2009
Linc A Aldershof	2010
Daniel R Bush	2011
Larry D Ritze	2012
Floyd A Sauter Jr	2013
Todd B Eiler	2014
Douglas J Strike	2015
Ronald L DeVoll Jr	2016
David A Robinson	2017
David A Sutton	2018
Jay W Owens	2019
Dale G Roberge II	2020
Rusty J Meister	2021



**Articles for the
 October/November
 Karavan are due
 to the Editor by
 Thursday, September 15th.**

FROM YOUR DIVAN**THE POTENTATE'S PRONOUNCEMENT**

It has been an exciting time at El Kahir Shrine this summer! Started off with an awesome Caravan in West Union. My biggest thanks to Noble Vern Schmitz, his lady Lacinda and the members of North Iowa Shrine Club for all their efforts in preparing for the parade and Oasis afterwards.

Kid's day to celebrate Shriner Awareness was an amazing day. 200+ people in attendance. Exactly what we were hoping for. Watching children have so much fun was a sight to behold. A great job by High Priest and Prophet Noble James Voss and his Lady Kari and their team for their organization of the event.

VEGAS!!!!!!!!!!!!!! It was an amazing trip. Loved Freemont Street, Top Golf, Prime Rib at Ellis Island, Fountains at the Bellagio and the Volcano at the Mirage. The Golden Nugget was a great place to stay. Thank you to Noble Alan Schaul and his Lady Gena for being my tour guide and helping plan the trip.

My latest sunburn occurred at the golf outing at Wildcat golf course in Shellsburg. 152 golfers, what a beautiful day for golf. The Golf committee of Noble Wayne Schmidt, Noble Michael Huber, Illustrious Sir Michael Brain and all others they roped in to helping thank you very much. The Grillmasters did a great job with meal.

Bingo continues its' strong following. Last week of June there was 111 players. We continue to see new players every week.

The marketing program has been successful. Our targeted events have seen an ongoing increase in attendance,

Sportsman raffle tickets are in. Get yours before they are gone! It is one of the fun day at the Shrine. Look for information coming out on the Mystery Dinner scheduled for September 17th.

Yours in Faith

Larry D. Ritze, Potentate

THE CHIEF RABBAN'S RAMBLINGS

Parades! Parades! Parades!!

Brother Nobles, I've been able to parade with several units and all I can say is, "WOW"! It such a blast to get out there in the community and "Show Our Stuff"! Almost every meeting I go to OUR Units & Clubs are planning their parade involvement. It is truly great to see YOUR proactive attitudes.

Membership (Recruitment Committee):

Just the other day a noble told me he saw a Master Mason (MM) out in town wearing a shirt with OUR Square and Compass symbol on it. Our Noble went over to say, "HI", to the MM. The topic of what El Kahir's Nobles do for OUR Children and how much fun WE are having within our fraternity came up. Now that MM is interested in what WE do and plans to become a Noble with El Kahir Shrine in the near future. That ten-minute discussion made a difference. Every time we take a moment to share the fantastic story of how WE help OUR Children get the medical help they need; WE educate others about US. WE have a Mason being brought into our fraternity via the North Iowa Shrine Club (Mason City) and at least four other candidates in the process of becoming Master Masons through their Blue Lodges. We have also helped to restore several members back into El Kahir.

FROM YOUR DIVAN

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2022 Imperial Session Take-Aways:

I would like to congratulate El Kahir's vary own Illustrious Sir Ron Devoll for being elected to the Imperial Divan as the Imperial Outer Guard through Zuhrah Shrine in Minneapolis. His new title is Imperial Sir Ron Devoll.

Over the past year, surveys have been conducted with over 6000 Nobles & online petitioners throughout Shriners International and their #1 interest is Volunteering/Service. They want to serve others.

May 2022 saw the FIRST net gain in Noble membership of approx. 325 nobles on many, many years. I just received an email informing me that, in June, there was another net gain of close to 200 more Nobles. It can be done. At Imperial Session we were informed that Shriner Hospitals for Children helped over 400,000 patients in 2021. WOW!! And YOU are an integral part of that.

Sportsman's Raffle Tickets:

Sportsman's Raffle Tickets are now available at the El Kahir Shrine Office. Call the office and setup a way to get a book or two to: Sell, Buy, or Both! We have 500 books we need to sell. Typically, we sell around 70% of the tickets. With approximately 460 nobles, if EVERY NOBLE took one book of ten tickets and sold/bought/or a combination of both, WE would have an INCREDIBLE chance to sell all of these tickets. It is my understanding that WE have never sold all of these tickets. Well, I think 2022 is different. I challenge everyone to "Take One for The Team" to sell. We have four months for each of US to sell just one book of tickets and I know WE can do it. Please consider stepping up.

Humbly and In Your Service,

Todd Morgan, Chief Rabban

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ASSERTIONS FROM THE ASSISTANT RABBAN



Happy August!!

Things sure are heating up at the Shrine!

Attendance is way up at Bingo, Omelette Breakfast and Basket Night!

If you aren't coming out to these events you are missing out.

One of the best parts of being a Shriner is an opportunity to socialize with your brother nobles and being able to show to the public why we are the world's greatest philanthropy!

The reinstatement committee is hard at work and having success and we need your help. If you know of someone that is a former member please reach out to them or one of the members of your reinstatement committee and we will contact them.

If you are thinking about ways to memorialize someone or commemorate an event please consider buying a brick to be installed on the wall in the Embassy Club. Red bricks are \$100.00 and the gold ones are \$500.00.

Finally, it's never too early to mention that if you are interested in a leadership role and are considering joining the Divan in 2023 please reach out to me or any Divan member. We will be glad to discuss the role and expectations in detail with no pressure.

Yours in the Faith,

Tom Kurtz, Assistant Rabban

August Birthdays

- 1 Jack W Henry
- 2 Eugene L Nassif Sr.
Daniel R Bush P.P.
- 3 Elver B Sorensen
- 4 Christopher L White
- 5 Tobin L Britt
- 6 James R McClintock
Jason M Bumgarner
- 8 Robert J Cowan
- 9 Rodney L Heiden
- 10 Phillip R Standiford
John L Wiley
- 11 G R Johnson
Jackson H Cline
- 12 Jerrold W Christensen
- 13 Joshua C Roe
- 14 David A Robinson P.P.
- 15 Scott J Shipman
James H Smith II
Andrew C Reicks
- 16 Leland A Thomson
Merv E Hilpiper
- 17 Leland H Fisher
- 19 Damon G Davis
- 22 Ronald D Schleder
John L Thornton DDS
David L Buskohl
Michael R Rubocki
- 23 Thomas A Brown Sr.
- 24 William C Jacobson
- 25 Daryl D Braun
- 27 John D Aldershof
Donald D Sapp
- 27 Terry D Cooper
- 31 Richard L Heft



September Birthdays

- 1 Daniel J Burke
Glen Moore
Timothy John Leaman
Larry D Ritze P.P.
- 3 Harvey E Peet
- 5 Donald J Levsen
- 6 Robert A Brasch Jr.
Daryl E Hansen
Adam Clemons
- 7 Larry Bearce Sr.
Luke A Reicks
- 8 Karl D Zimmerman
- 9 Brian J Barnes
- 11 Dale G Roberge II P.P.
- 12 Robert J Spurgin
- 13 Linc A Aldershof P.P.
- 14 Randal G Danover
Todd W Morgan
Shane O Cline
- 15 Donald E Harris
- 16 Steven C Lames
- 17 Charles E Grassley
Howard M Rick
- 18 Frank L Wyatt
- 19 Jason E Haven
- 20 Wilmer J Robison II
Wayne L Billings
James M Fry P.P.
- 21 James Bearce
- 22 Judson C Conner
William L Christofferson
Jeffrey A Storjohann
- 23 Robert E Brown
- 25 Darrell G Fremont
- 27 Dave P Anton
Martin J Novak
- 28 Jon A Reynolds
Steven C King
- 29 Jeffrey A Lorimer
Charlie Betterton

The Shrine Office Will Be Closed on the Following Dates:

Sept 5	Nov 24/25
Dec 23	Dec 30

FROM YOUR DIVAN

THE RECORDER'S CORNER



Well, it's been a warm and stormy summer so far. They predict a lot of hot days coming, so stay cool, drink a lot of water.

I would like to congratulate Imperial Ron Devoll, Jr. on being elected to the Imperial Outer Guard. The Nobility and I wish you the best of luck in your future travels on the Imperial Divan. Imperial Sir Ron Devoll was Potentate at El Kahir Shrine the year of 2016. He is also a member of Zuhrah Shrine in Minneapolis.

Imperial Sir Ron and his family have relocated to Minnesota.

We have had a lot of fun at Parades, Kids' Day, Potentate's Trips, so please come out and join in on the fun and fellowship. Bring your wife and children to these events.

The television was won by Chief Rabban Todd Morgan at the June Stated meeting. He has donated this to the Gun Raffle.

Speaking of the Gun Raffle we have tickets at the office. We have given about 200 books out. Please call us or see one of the Divan Members to get tickets.

We have 26 Nobles who have not paid 2022 dues. The Reinstatement Committee has sent letters out to all the members to see if we can get them back in the shrine. Please pay these at your earliest convenience. If you would like, you can pay your 2022, or dues using the automatic payment plan. If your 2021 dues are paid, you can go on 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 2022 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.

If you need anything from me, please feel free to call the office at 319-395-0109 or email me at recorder@elkahir.org.

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!!!

Fraternally yours,

Floyd Sauter P.P., Recorder

There will be an election for Oriental Guide at our September Meeting

325.11 Election Regulations.

(a) Electioneering. A candidate for an elected office in a Shrine Temple may print, publish, and circulate during the year he is seeking the elected office, a resume consisting of his educational background, his vocational history, and his Masonic and Shrine record. Except as provided in the prior sentence, the printing, publication, circulating or distribution of resolutions, letters, telegrams, tickets, email or other devices, by a unit, club, Noble, or group of Nobles, suggesting, recommending, opposing, or containing the names of proposed candidates for office in the Temple is prohibited.

(b) Expenditures Prohibited. The expenditure of money for gifts, favors, or entertainment on behalf of a candidate for elected office is prohibited.

(c) For any violation of (a) or (b), the Imperial Potentate may suspend the offending Noble, and he may declare the election of the officers void and order a new election.

(d) Notice. At least one week prior to the annual meeting or any election, the Temple Recorder shall mail to each member a notice thereof containing this section.

Donations

Shriners Hospitals for Children

Steven Lucas

In Memory of Ill. Sir Carl Halberg

Hills Bank

El Kahir Shrine Transportation Fund

Carol Johnson on behalf of Derek Kilbride (Patient)

Community Foundation of Northeast Iowa

Leo/Shirley Peiffer

Caravan Parade West Union

Mobile Nobles

Jerry/Marilyn Owen

Thursday Night Bingo

Kids Day at the Shrine

Vintage Auto

Mark Carpenter (Bingo Group)

In Memory of Max Fitz

St. Paul's United Methodist Church



Who Did it?? How did they do it ???

Will they get away with Murder???

Come to El Kahir Shrine on

Saturday Sept 25

to our Murder Mystery Dinner.

Join us for social hour and games of chance.

Dinner will follow with time to determine Who Did It??

We will watch as the mystery unfolds and
see the suspects try to convince us of their innocence.

Prizes for the best detectives!

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 monthly 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

Ronald Bowers 11/21

Ill Sir Mike Brain & Lady Ann 11/21

Mrs. Ray Zummak 2/22

Richard Peshek 2/22

Darrell/Marion Zacharias 2/22

Delbert Shaw 2/22

Todd Morgan 2/22

Richard Bowersox 3/22

Joe Kwapil, Jr. 5/22

Joseph & Linda Lingua 5/22

Ill. Sir Dan Bush & Lady Cindy 7/22

REVVIN FEZZES

The Revvin Fezzes Unit has been busy, busy, busy. Our Omelet Breakfasts have been well attended. In July, we served approximately 270 people. We joined with the Director's Staff to cover the costs of the two bouncy houses that were used for the Kids' Day. We have updated our trailer, too. Finally, we have been parading and enjoying every minute of it! Check out the picture below to see the two, new Glider Trikes we just received. We have had a growth in our membership in the past year and have at least two more future Revvin Fezzes working their way through Blue Lodge and, hopefully by the end of the year, they will be full fledged members of our Unit.



NORTH IOWA SHRINE CLUB



Our Shrine Circus in April was a great hit! We had a sold-out crowd for our first show and a great showing for our second. We sold all of our coloring books and gave away one bike per show. The kids really had fun and it was great seeing all the families.



North Iowa Shrine Nobles have helped transport a patient from Iowa to Chicago, truly showcasing what

being a Shriner is all about—helping kids. We are very grateful to them for going the extra mile to help.

We have meetings on the second Thursday of every month in the Mason City area. We generally have around 20 Nobles and their guests attend. In June we invited our local Shrine Bowl players and their families to join us.

Our Nobles love to grill! We get to grill out at Harley-Davidson of Mason City and get free will donations while we spread the word about what we do as Shriners.

We have had a variety of parades to perform our driving tactics in, much to the delight of children everywhere. We have six small cars that we do coordinated driving with as well as a decorated



truck, trailer, golf cart, and of course Dave the Shrine Bear. We have driven in Bandfest, Hanlontown, Clear Lake's July 4th celebration, Franklin County Fair in Hampton, and have upcoming parades to look forward to as well. The Nobles in our club really enjoy driving in the parades and bringing joy to the kids and their families.

DIRECTOR'S STAFF

Greetings from the Director's Staff. Have you been parading? The Director's Staff is hot and heavy in our parade season. Despite rain, the July 4th parade in Independence had a packed parade route. Your Director's Staff members in the parade got a second shower that morning.

Upcoming is the Solon Beef Days parade. The Director's Staff is historic. We have been part of the Solon parade since the very first year. El Kahir is well represented! We have LOTS of activities coming up at El Kahir. Come out and enjoy yourself.



I know you are waiting for the answers from the last Karavan. Here they are –

- What do you call an alligator in a vest?
(An investigator!)
- Why didn't the teddy bear eat dessert?
(Because he was stuffed.)

Look for us at these events

Basket Night – Have you been to a Basket Night lately? It is the place to be on the 2nd Friday of each month. The crowds are getting bigger. Come on out and get a HOT burger or tenderloin. The word on the street is they are the best since 1886.

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

- What's a pirate's favorite subject in school?
- Where do cows go for entertainment?

Yours in the faith,

Jim Arnold

ATTENTION NOBLES

Please notify the Shrine Office if you have a new telephone number, email address, or are planning to change your address, even if temporarily. Please call the Shrine Office at 319-395-0109.



2022 El Kahir All Shrine Picnic

On Saturday, Aug 20th, we will be having the All-Shrine Picnic at El Kahir from Noon to 4:00 pm. Your Divan will be serving food, playing different old-fashioned games and more! There will be cornhole, sack races, egg relay races, water balloon toss, badminton, hourly raffles, and much more. This Shrine Only event is for OUR Nobility, their Ladies, their children, and OUR Widows. It is FREE to all who attend. The Embassy Club will be open for you to purchase something to quench your thirst and there will be a 50/50 raffle with proceeds going to OUR Transportation Fund. Please dress for comfort and don't be surprised if you get a little wet during the day.

Please RSVP by Aug 15th to OINK01@ptd.net or call the El Kahir Office @ 319-395-0109



2022 El Kahir Golf Outing



This year's Annual El Kahir Golf Outing was at Wildcat Golf Course in Shellsburg. What was originally planned for 120 participants ended up having 152 golfers! There were over 160 steak dinners served. The weather was AWESOME and I hear all were well hydrated. Everyone even received a snack bag. We've heard someone "entered" the pond by the clubhouse but no one fessed up to it. Rumor is that we exceeded the budgeted/projected fundraising amount for this event, too, which is Great News! No fundraiser gets done without several volunteers investing their time to make an event successful. **Thank You** to the Golf Outing Committee and Volunteers for making this year's event a "HOLE IN ONE"!



Ron DeVoll

Imperial Outer Guard

Illustrious Sir Ron DeVoll (PP, 2016) became Imperial Sir Ron DeVoll at the 148th Imperial Session in Minneapolis on July 4, 2022. Imperial Sir Ron won the office of Imperial Outer Guard with a vote of 407 to 199. Imperial Sir is also a member of Zuhrah Shrine in Minneapolis where he is a voting delegate and Imperial Shrine Representative and is active in their Horsemen Unit. Imperial Sir Ron is in line to become Imperial Potentate in July 2031. Ron, his wife, Jill, and daughter, Natalie, now live in a Minneapolis suburb. He relocated to Minnesota upon taking a promotion with the VA Health systems. Witnessing the vote in Minneapolis from El Kahir was Illustrious Sirs Larry Ritze, Linc Aldershof, Todd Eiler and Dale Roberge along with Chief Rabban Todd Morgan and Chaplain Emeritus Tom Boeckmann.

All of us at El Kahir wish Imperial Sir Ron the best as he embarks on a new chapter in his life.

Tom Boeckmann

MEMBERSHIP INFO FROM THE RECORDER May/June 2022

Beginning Membership	462
Expired	3
Creations/Affiliations	1
Restorations	1
Demits	0
Suspensions	1
Ending Membership	460

El Kahir 2022 Parades

Parade	Date	City	Line Up Time	Start Time
Nordic Fest Parade	July 30, 2022	Decorah, IA	9:30 AM	10:30 AM
Delhi Days Parade	July 30, 2022	Delhi, Iowa	12:00 PM	1:00 PM
Brat Daze Stacyville	July 30, 2022	Stacyville, IA	1:27 PM	1:27 PM
Sweet Corn Days	July 30, 2022	Elkader, IA	1:30 PM	2:00 PM
Brandon Days	August 6, 2022	Brandon, IA.	9:00 AM	10:00 AM
Corn Daze	August 6, 2022	Dows, IA	9:00 AM	10:00 AM
Parade	August 6, 2022	Tripoli, IA	9:30 AM	10:00 AM
Sheffield Big Days	August 6, 2022	Sheffield, IA	1:27 PM	1:27 PM
Dike Watermelon Days	August 13, 2022	Dike, IA.	9:00 AM	10:00 AM
Chatfield Western Days	August 13, 2022	Chatfield, MN	12:00 PM	1:00 PM
Winding Stairs Festival	August 13, 2022	Traer, IA	3:00 PM	4:00 PM
Delhi Days	August 30, 2022	Delhi, Iowa	12:00 PM	1:00 PM
Labor Day Parade	September 5, 2022	Kanawha, IA	TBA	10:00 AM

These We Do Not Forget IN MEMORIAM

"ES SELAMU ALEIKUM"

"We do not lose the ones we love
They only go before
Where there is everlasting life
Where sorrow is no more...
And there the soul will always live
And peace is everywhere
We do not lose the ones we love
God takes them in his care."



Gerald "Bud" Miller
Merlin Dale "Dale" Osten

Hospital Trips

5/18-19/22	Chicago
Bart Waddell	Casey Waddell
5/24-25/22	MPLS
Marlin Mullnix	Marshall Mullnix
5/30-31/22	Chicago
Rick Hofmeyer	Lloyd Billman
6/2/22	MPLS
James Bearce	---
7/5/22	Chicago
Rick Hofmeyer	Jerry Kass
7/12-13/22	Chicago
Doug King	Mavis King

During the time period from 5/1 to 7/15, in addition to the above drivers who took patients, El Kahir assisted 18 patient and parent/guardian groups with mileage, meals, and/or lodging, to these areas: Minneapolis, Chicago, Philadelphia and Dayton.

2022 SPORTSMAN'S RAFFLE

Saturday October 22nd

Doors open at 10:00 - Drawings begin at 11:00

EARLY BIRD TICKETS NEED TO BE IN BY SEPT. 30TH AT 4:00 P.M.

1st Place: 5 Sportsman's Raffle tickets plus 1 colored ticket

2nd Place: 3 Sportsman's Raffle tickets

3rd Place: 2 Sportsman's Raffle tickets

The committee is asking for Units, Clubs or members to donate baskets or other items to be raffled or auctioned. Contact any committee member or the office with items

We will be selling tickets at Scheels. Dates TBD.
Please contact Floyd Sauter for more information.

**2022 SPORTSMAN'S RAFFLE TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE
FROM THE EL KAHIR OFFICE BY PHONE OR MAIL**

<p>El Kahir Shrine Annual Sportsman's Raffle Saturday, October 22, 2022</p> <p>At El Kahir Shrine Center, P.O. Box 38, 905 Tower Terrace Rd, Hiawatha, IA Doors Open at 10:00AM. Drawing begins at noon, lunch served from 11:00 - 1:30 Door prizes, other raffles and 50/50 during event</p> <p>This ticket eligible until drawn Free lunch with ticket stub (non-raffle ticket holder \$8.00)</p> <p>1. All local, state and federal laws will be followed 2. Must be 21 years of age to purchase ticket 3. Need not be present to win 4. Must show THIS ticket for lunch 5. Winner is responsible for all income taxes 6. All prizes must be claimed by Dec. 31, 2022</p> <p>TICKETS \$20.00 EACH All firearms can be picked up after Oct. 24, 2022 at SCHEELS, Cedar Falls, Iowa For more info, check out our Website www.elkahir.org or call 319-395-0109 <small>All proceeds benefit El Kahir Shrine our dedication is a charitable donation</small></p>		<p>LUNCH TICKET</p>
<p>PLEASE PRINT</p> <p>Name _____</p> <p>Address _____</p> <p>Phone _____</p> <p>E-mail _____</p>	<p>NO</p>	

ORDER FORM TO PURCHASE TICKETS BY PHONE OR MAIL
Tickets are \$20 each

Number of tickets requested (enclose check): _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Mail form to El Kahir Shrine, 905 Tower Terrace Rd, Hiawatha IA 52233
For credit card purchase, call the El Kahir office at 319-395-0109

EL KAHIR SHRINERS BYLAWS

RESOLUTION

Be it resolved that the present and existing Bylaws of El Kahir Shrine Temple, with all amendments be repealed or deleted, and said bylaws be rewritten by adding all new Shriners International Bylaws changes, and that they hereby be adopted in lieu thereof, subject to such as is provided for by Imperial Law.

BYLAWS

SECTION 1: CHARTER

This Shrine Temple shall be known as El Kahir Shriners, (a.k.a. El Kahir Shrine) 905 Tower Terrace Rd Hiawatha, IA 52233, and is held under the authority of its Charter granted June 14, 1886 by Shriners International, to whose laws the El Kahir Shriners and its membership are subject.

SECTION 2: MEETINGS

- a. The regular Stated Meetings of the El Kahir Shriners shall be held on the second Wednesday of each month at the hour of 7:30PM, except there shall be no Stated Meeting in the month which the Imperial Session is scheduled.
- b. The regular January meeting shall be the Annual Stated Meeting where all annual reports of the Recorder and Treasurer and other officers or committees shall be submitted. The November meeting shall be designated as the Chief Rabban Stated Meeting Night for his presentation of his proposed budget. The December meeting shall be the Annual Election Stated Meeting.
- c. The Board of Directors, Trustees and Representatives shall be elected at the regular December Annual Election Stated Meeting. The Board of Directors shall be installed after the Annual Stated Meeting in January.
- d. The order of business at the regular Stated meetings shall be as follows, except as it may be varied by Shriners International.
 1. Stated Meeting opening - Welcome by Potentate
 2. Invocation by Chaplain
 3. Pledge of Allegiance
 4. Reading of the minutes of previous Stated Meeting
 5. Reading of Treasurer's Report
 6. Membership Report
 - Receiving and referring of Petitions
 - Balloting on Petitions
 - Balloting on election of officers
 7. Unfinished business

8. New Business
9. Reports Standing and Special Committees
10. Introduction of Past Potentates and Visiting Nobles
11. Benediction and Adjournment

- e. The El Kahir Shriners Potentate may call special Stated Meetings; if, in his judgement the good of El Kahir Shriners will be promoted thereby, but no other business shall be transacted except such as is specified in the call.

SECTION 3: ELIGIBILITY for MEMBERSHIP

- a. The eligibility for membership in El Kahir Shriners shall be provided by the Bylaws of Shriners International Article 23 para 323.3.
- b. Residence of Candidate for membership in El Kahir Shriners shall be provided by the Bylaws of Shriners International Article 23, Para. 323.4.
- c. Balloting of Candidate for membership in El Kahir Shriners shall be provided by the Bylaws of Shriners International Article 23, Para. 323.5.
- d. Initiation of Candidate for membership in El Kahir Shriners shall be provided by the Bylaws of Shriners International Article 23, Para. 323.6.
- e. The Fee for membership for the year 2021 is set at \$145.00. The dues will increase by the sum of \$5.00 per year. \$5.00 of the yearly dues shall be placed in the building fund. \$5.00 of the yearly dues shall be placed in the Endowment fund. The annual dues shall not be less than prescribed by the bylaws of Shriners International. The annual dues do not include the hospital levy or the annual per capita tax required by the bylaws of Shriners International, each of which shall be added to the annual dues. This temple may, by affirmative vote, remit dues of a member

SECTION 4: OFFICERS OF EL KAHIR SHRINE

- a. The Officers of the El Kahir Shriners shall be as provided by the Bylaws of Shriners International Article 25, Para. 325.1.
- b. The Election of Officers of the El Kahir Shriners shall be as provided by the Bylaws of Shriners International Article 25, Para. 325.2. In addition to the officers named in Section 325.2 of the Bylaws of Shriners International. They shall elect El Kahir Representatives to Shriners International as specified by Imperial Law. They shall also elect one (1) new member to the Board of Trustees, as provided by Section 6 of the El Kahir Shriners Bylaws.
- c. The election of Officers, Representatives and Trustees shall be conducted in the manner as prescribed by the Bylaws of Shriners International Article 25, Para. 325.2.
- d. Limitations: No Noble may hold more than one of the foregoing elective or appointed offices as prescribed by the Bylaws of Shriners International Article 25, Para. 325.2 except for the position and election as an El Kahir Shriners Imperial Representative.

SECTION 5. BOARD of DIRECTORS

- a. The Board of Directors of El Kahir Shriners shall consist of the Divan members as described by the Bylaws of Shriners International Article 25, Para. 325.1(a) and 327.7.
- b. Board of Directors of El Kahir Shriners shall operate per the Bylaws of Shriners International with Article 27, Para. 327.7 providing for the following:
 1. Powers.
 2. Quorum
 3. Meetings
 4. Notice
 5. Budgets
 6. Multiple Budgets
 7. Unauthorized acts
- c. Upon installation the following divan members shall assume the duties of their respective offices as described by the Bylaws of Shriners International in Article 27, Para. 327.1 – 328.8.

SECTION 6: OTHER FINANCIAL OFFICERS:

The Bylaws of El Kahir Shriners may provide for the election or appointment of other financial officers in accordance to the bylaws of Shriners International Article 27, Para. 327.5.

The Board of Trustees of El Kahir Shriners shall consist of seven Nobles composed of the Potentate, Chief Rabban and five Nobles from the El Kahir Shriners Nobility. The five Trustees shall each be elected for a five-year term and no Trustee shall be eligible to succeed himself. The Potentate shall be Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Chief Rabban shall be Vice-Chairman and the Recorder shall be Secretary without any vote. No Trustee can hold any other elective office in El Kahir Shriners other than Representative. The Board of Trustees shall work in conjunction with and under the control of the Board of Directors.

SECTION 7. VACANCIES IN OFFICE

- a. Shriners International Imperial bylaws Article 25, Para. 325.13 defines when an office is vacant.
- b. Vacancies in one or more offices will be filled in accordance to the bylaws of Shriners International Article 25, Para. 325.14 and 325.15.
- c. The results of the election shall be reported to Shriners International as prescribed in Shriners International bylaws Article 25, Para. 325.16.

SECTION 8: DUTIES AND POWERS OF OFFICERS

- (a) The duties of the El Kahir Shriners Officers shall be such as is prescribed by Shriners International Bylaws Article 27.
- (b) Below is a list of duties in addition to the duties listed in Shriners International Bylaws Article 27:
 - (1) **OFFICE OF THE POTENTATE:**
 - (i) The El Kahir Shriners Potentate shall appoint an Auditing committee of three

Nobles of the El Kahir Shriners who hold no elective office. The appointed Auditing committee shall audit the records of the Treasurer, Recorder, Business Manager and all other financial transactions of El Kahir Shriners or any of its units, clubs, organizations, committees or special functions and make a report at the El Kahir Shriners Annual Stated Meeting held in January.

- (ii) The El Kahir Shriners Potentate shall appoint such other committees as he may determine.

- (c) **OFFICE EMPLOYEES:** El Kahir Shriners Recorder or Potentate may hire and/or discharge employees only after such action has been authorized by an affirmative majority vote of the El Kahir Shriners Board of Directors.

SECTION 9. UNITS

The Units of El Kahir Shriners Officers shall operate as is prescribed by Shriners International Bylaws Article 36.

SECTION 10. Shrine Clubs, Shrine Club Holding Corporations, Organizations of Nobles

The Shrine Clubs, Shrine Club Holding Corporations, Organizations of Nobles of El Kahir Shriners Officers shall operate as is prescribed by Shriners International Bylaws Article 37.

SECTION 11. FUNDS.

- a. The revenues of the El Kahir Shriners received from initiation fees and dues shall be placed in the El Kahir Shriners General Fund and disbursements from the El Kahir Shriners General Fund shall be in a manner hereinafter provided for. Funds received by way of annual per capita as part of the dues paid by Nobles for Shriners Hospitals for Children, or Permanent Contributing Membership, Voluntary Contributing Membership or contribution to the Shriners Hospital for children may for convenience be temporarily deposited in the El Kahir Shriners General Fund. But, in accordance with Shriners International Bylaws, shall be promptly remitted therefrom to the Imperial Recorder.
- b. No Board of Directors, Trustees, Committee Member, Unit, Club or Noble, except the El Kahir Shriners Potentate, shall have authority to incur any obligation against the El Kahir Shriners or a financial fund of El Kahir Shriners.
- c. Prior to the second Wednesday of November of each year it shall be the duty of the El Kahir Shriners Chief Rabban to prepare a financial budget of the El Kahir Shriners General Fund for the succeeding calendar year in consultation with the Board of Directors. The second Wednesday of November is the date scheduled for the Regular Stated Meeting and shall also be the Chief Rabban Budget Review Night. He shall present his proposed

financial budget to the Nobility, at which time action shall be taken by way of adopting the budget for the succeeding calendar year.

- d. Adoption of the proposed budget as presented by the El Kahir Shriners Chief Rabban is for the operations of the El Kahir Shriners. The proposed General Fund Budget for the succeeding year shall be on the basis of the budget as adopted, provided that transfers may be made from one fund or purpose of the budget to another by action of the Board of Directors, without increasing the total of the approved budget, during the year for which the budget is adopted. It may be amended by increasing the total at any regular El Kahir Shriners Stated Meeting or at any special Stated Meeting called for that purpose.
- e. All Financial Revenues received from gifts and bequests that are designated as being for the El Kahir Shriners Building (Construction) Fund shall be placed in a separate interest-bearing account to be designated as "The El Kahir Shriners Building (Construction) Fund" and shall not be within the budget. Disbursements therefrom shall be made only for the purpose of land, building, or capital improvements to an existing building, and then only upon the approval of the Board of Directors and the vote of the majority of Nobles present and voting at a Stated Meeting or a Special Stated Meeting called for that purpose.

SECTION 12. MISCELLANEOUS.

- a. Except as may be otherwise provided by Shriners International Bylaws or in these El Kahir Shriners Bylaws, all questions before the El Kahir Shriners Nobility shall be decided by a majority vote of those Nobles present.
- b. Except as may otherwise be provided by Shriners International Bylaws or in these El Kahir Shriners Bylaws, or by Shrine tradition, Roberts Rules of Order shall govern the conduct of all El Kahir Shriners Stated Meetings or Special Called Stated Meetings.
- c. No appeal from a decision of the El Kahir Shriners Potentate shall be made at El Kahir Shriners, but an appeal may be taken to the Imperial Shriners Potentate or the Imperial Council, Shriners International as provided by Shriners International Bylaws, Article 38, Para. 338.1 (a,b,c).
- d. When an El Kahir Shriners Treasurer or Recorder shall have served ten (10) consecutive years, they years, they may be, by vote of the El Kahir Shriners Nobility at a regular El Kahir Shriners Stated Meeting, be known as El Kahir Shriners Treasurer Emeritus or Recorder Emeritus, provided he is not the elected El Kahir Shriners Treasurer or Recorder during such time.

SECTION 13. LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Creation: A Shriners Board of Directors or El Kahir Shriners Potentate may recommend a noble for life membership, they may be by vote of the El Kahir Shriners Nobility at a regular El Kahir Shriners Stated Meeting, awarded a life membership.

These Life Memberships are for Meritorious Service.

Life Memberships for Past Potentates are awarded at the end of their first year of service as Potentate.

Meritorious Service. For meritorious service as recited in Shriners International Bylaws, Article 23, Para. 332.6. Fees for Meritorious Services Life Membership shall be paid in accordance to the By-Laws of Shriners International and El Kahir Bylaws and be paid for from the Budget of the year the membership was granted. Funds for these life memberships shall be placed in the Life Membership account.

Dues Prepayment:

- a. When a member who is under 65 years of age shall pay the temple in one lump sum, 30 times the temple's current annual dues; or
- b. When a member who is 65 years of age or older shall pay the temple in one lump sum, 15 times the temple's current annual dues.

All monies received from life membership shall be placed in a trust fund and only the income from such fund shall be withdrawn. But upon the death of any life Noble, an amount equal to the sum paid by him may be transferred from the trust fund to the general fund of El Kahir Shriners.

Longevity: When a Noble has paid his El Kahir Shriners dues for a term of not less than fifty years.

Retention: In order to retain life membership in El Kahir Shriners, a Noble must meet the requirements of Shriners International Bylaws, Article 23, Para. 323.3(a), unless otherwise herein provided.

SECTION 14. EL KAHIR SHRINE BYLAWS ADOPTION

- a. These El Kahir Shriners Bylaws may be amended or new Bylaws adopted as prescribed in Shriners International, Bylaws, Article 31.

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