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Nobles All,

We have before us an opportunity to set our direction for this Shrine for many years to come. We have before us an opportunity to construct a new Temple and do so in the manner in which we choose. We do not have to purchase a building and then spend significant funds to make it to our use. We are not purchasing an old building and renovating it. We are constructing a new building and doing so for our specific use for many years to come. This is an opportunity to have your voice heard and vote to secure the longevity of our Shrine for many years to come. I am laying out the building and how we are going to pay for it for the next 20 years.

Specifics of the building

We have purchased 3 acres of property as an investment. WE paid approximately \$850,000 for this property. Given that in 7 parcels of property up and down Grand River, the next cheapest parcel was selling and did sell for \$376,000 per acre. We paid \$225,000 per acres. We got very lucky on this property. So, what can we do with this property?

We can construct a building, comprised of 15,000 square feet for our use, to be utilized as a Shrine Center for Moslem Shrine Temple. This building will be comprised of:

- 5 offices for the Divan, Recorder, Potentate, and 2 office workers.
- there will be a meeting room area for use by units wishing to meet.
- there will be a large main area for use during events that will seat 250 people
- there will be a bar area off the main room, divided by an air wall that will seat 120, in the main bar area, and additional 15 seats at the bar, for a combined seating of 370. Within the bar area, there are two large garage doors that open out to patio area that is partially covered with a roof.
- There is a storage area to the southeast that has ample room for storage.
- There are a men's and ladies bathroom with ample stalls for both.
- The 3 acre parcel will host 150 parking spaces as required by the City of Novi
- There will be a joint retention pond to the north, shared with Suburban Collection Showplace
- Utilities for this project will be a joint effort with Suburban Collection Showplace and hookup to the utilities are to the east of the property.

This is Moslem Shrine's opportunity to construct a building designed for its specific use and will be a model for other Shrines to emulate. This is our opportunity to make a home for ourselves for many, many years to come. Now, here is how we can pay for this for the next 20 years.

Financing this project

One of the big questions is how do we pay for this project. Well, we could pay cash. Moslem has ample cash to pay for this project in full, up front, with funds in the building account and the parking lot account. To do so, we would be taking investment money that we on average earn 12% on annually, and have over the course of the past 10 years.

Or, we can borrow from the bank at 6.25% and keep our money for our use. We retain our asset, our cash. We give the bank a first position mortgage on this building.

Here are the points of the financing proposal for Nobles to approve at the vote on April 17.

Building account balance \$2,200,000

Down payment/property purchase

Lot 1-2acres \$450,000

Lot 2-1acres \$400,000

Site plan work \$150,000

Total down payment \$1,000,000

Balance remaining in the building account after down payment \$1,200,000

The remaining funds in the building account will be pledged as an asset to the bank. We cannot touch this money once pledged under any circumstances. This money will be used to make our payments over the next 6 years.

This \$1,200,000 will make our payments on this loan for the next 6 years. Our payments are approximately \$23,000 per month and each month the bank will take out this amount from our pledged building fund account. WE DO NOT HAVE TO SPEND ANY MONEY FROM OUR OPERATING BUDGET FOR THIS LOAN UNTIL 2029.

WE HAVE ENOUGH TO COVER OUR PAYMENTS FOR 6 YEARS. WE ARE BORROWING THE MONEY FOR 5 YEARS.

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER 5 YEARS. AT 5 YEARS WE CAN:

- REFINANCE OUR BUILDING FOR ANOTHER 5 YEARS WITH OUR BANK OR ANOTHER BANK DEPENDING ON OFFERS WE RECEIVE
- LOOK AT THE POSITION OF THE SHRINE AT THAT TIME AND DECIDE WHAT WE WISH TO DO

THERE IS NO COMMITMENT TO DO ANYTHING. WE MAY AT THE 5 YEAR MARK WISH TO MOVE AS THIS BUILDING WILL NOW BE WORTH SUBSTANTIALLY MORE THEN WE HAVE PAID FOR IT. EVERYTHING HERE DEPENDS ON THE SHRINE AND THE DIVAN AT THE TIME

IF WE WISH TO REFINANCE, WE CAN DO SO AT A VARIETY OF LOCAL BANKS OR SIMPLE RENEW OUR MORTGAGE WITH OUR BANK. IT WILL BE UP TO THIS SHRINE. IN COMMERCIAL LENDING, IE. BUILDING FINANCING, IT IS IN THE ORDINARY COURSE OF BUSINESS TO FINANCE A LOAN FOR A 5 YEAR PERIOD WITH THE PAYMENT BEING CALCULATED OVER 20 YEARS. THIS IS CALLED A 5/20 LOAN. IT IS TOTALLY NORMAL.

ADDITIONALLY, IF INTEREST RATES DROP DURING OUR LOAN PERIOD, OUR BANK WILL REFINANCE THIS BUILDING TO THE LOWER INTEREST RATE WITH NO COST TO US.

- Should the Divan wish to refinance this building at year 5, we have one more year of building money in our account.
- In year 6 through 10, funds for this mortgage will come from an increase in the Michigan State Fair income to the Shrine which is projected to increase over \$150,000.
- additionally, we have not had an in-person summer Sportsman Raffle in the past 3 years nor any income from this raffle to speak of. In discussion with Mike Zelmanski, he feels

that the new summer Sportsman Raffle in this new building will produce at a minimum \$80,000 in annual income.

- This is a total of \$230,000 to apply toward this new mortgage in year 6 through 10.
- If we refinance in 5 years, our new payment will be \$19,000 per month or \$228,000 annually
- Our new revenue will be producing \$230,000, enough to cover our mortgage

Some have asked about property taxes. We would have to pay property taxes on any building we acquire. In this case taxes are anticipated to be \$50,000, to \$65,000 per year.

Operating budget-some have asked about an operating budget. This again is a cost that we will incur with any building we purchase or build. I can say that it will be substantially less on a new building than on an older one.

Gentlemen, We have an opportunity here to construct a building designed for our purposes.

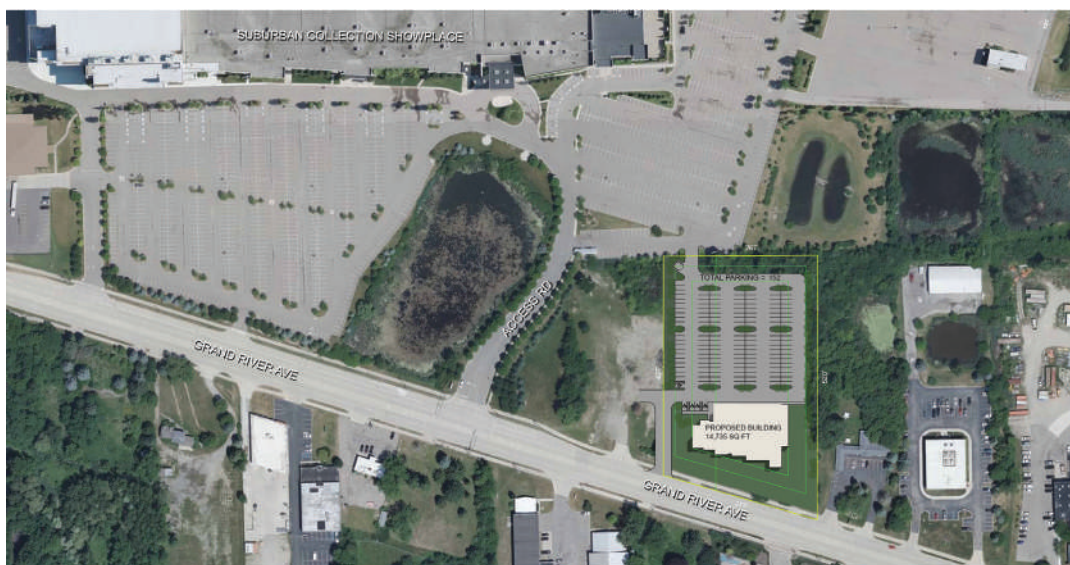
We have set aside the money to pay for it over the next 20 years.

We have addressed how to pay for it after 6 years and in years 7 through 10 and longer going forward

We have addressed how to refinance the building if we so desire and how we will pay for it

We have a once in a lifetime opportunity here to create our own home with no remodel, no revamp, no alteration. Our future is in your hands now and I sincerely hope you see the value in the building and vote yea for its acceptance.

This building is the future
of Moslem Shrine Temple.



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45800 GRAND RIVER AVE
MARCH 13, 2023



PROPOSED SITE PLAN
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A Stated Meeting Of The Moslem Shriners

Attention Nobles Announcement of a Stated Meeting

**Potentate Franklin Dougherty, Jr. has called for a
Stated Meeting of the membership of
Moslem Shriners to be held on**

April 17, 2023, at 7:00 PM

**The meeting will be held at the
Suburban Collection Showplace
46100 Grand River Avenue, Novi, MI 48374**

**Besides the normal business to come before the
membership, there will be a vote for both moving
the Charter from Southfield, MI to Novi, MI and
approval or no approval of funds for the construction of
new Shrine Center in Novi, MI.**

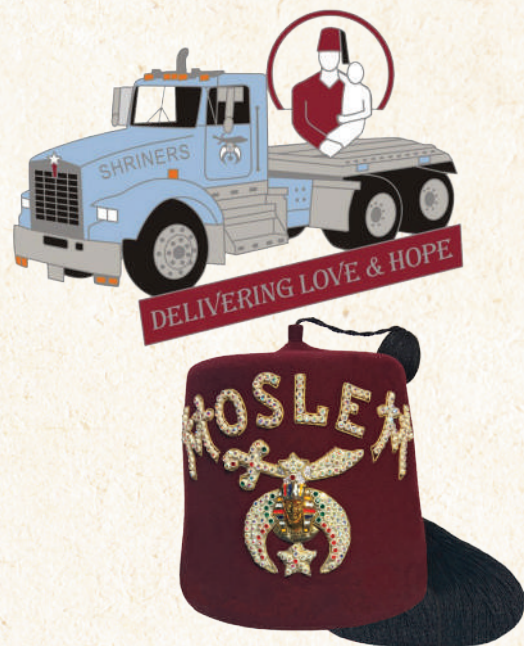
So Order: Potentate Franklin Dougherty, Jr.

Attest to: Illustrious Sir Recorder Robert Pate, P.P.

Attention!

**Moslem
Shriners**





Who We Are...

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Since opening our first hospital in 1922, we have been devoted to providing high-quality specialty medical care to the children and families who come to us, regardless of their ability to pay or insurance status. A century later, our commitment hasn’t changed — only expanded.

Our three-part mission has one goal: to change and improve lives. We do this by caring for our patients, conducting research to gain knowledge and develop new treatments, and providing educational opportunities for physicians and other healthcare professionals.

Hope and Healing

Today, Shriners Children’s offers care for a range of orthopedic issues, as well as care for burn injuries, craniofacial conditions, spine care and spinal cord injuries, colorectal and gastrointestinal care, and sports medicine. Our experienced, innovative and dedicated teams work together to provide treatment to help each patient meet their goals and reach their full potential.

At Shriners Children's, we are grateful for the vision of the Shriners that led to the creation of our healthcare system. We look forward to a second hundred years of changing and improving the lives of children.

Our Core Values

At Shriners Children's, we are committed to improving children's lives every day. Our compassionate, wrap-around care envelops each patient in a supportive and loving environment that helps them thrive.



MESSAGE FROM OUR POTENTATE



**Frank Dougherty
Potentate**

Dear Nobles,

I am writing this article on February 22nd, 2023, hoping that you voted to move on March 13th to move Moslem forward to a new beginning in Novi, Michigan. I hope that all of your questions and concerns were answered to the best of your Divans and that our professional presenters were able to give to you. I also hope with this new building, we can all come together to move forward as Mighty Moslem once again.

Many of you have been with us as we looked at many locations around southeast Michigan over the last couple of years with no luck finding a fit for us.

Now with the possibility that the proposed plan didn't get voted in, the two-acre parcel is a very excellent investment with the property values in Novi going nothing but up.

Your Divan will continue to look for a home, but I hope that the proposal is passed and, in the very near future, we can have a ribbon-cutting ceremony at our new home.

Thank you all for being members of the Moslems Family.

Men and Women alike because without each other, there is no Moslem, and to be a family, we need a home.

YITF

Frank" Chum" Dougherty
Potentate Moslem 2023

Shriners Creed

Shriners believe in God and that He created man to serve His purposes, among which is service to others in His name.

We believe that care for the less fortunate, especially children who suffer from burns and crippling diseases, is our institutional calling.

We are patriots, each willing to serve his country with fidelity and courage. We cherish independence under law and freedom with responsibility.

We honor family, we respect our parents, wives and children. We should instill in our children the tenets of this creed and the heritage from which it emanates.

As individuals we pledge ourselves to integrity, virtue and nobility of character. Our intentions will be honorable, our relations will be trustworthy and our spirits forgiving of each other.

As brothers we offer each other fraternal affection and respect. Together we will support each other in adherence to this creed, so that we and our communities will be the better because of our fraternity and its principles.

As Shriners we look beyond ourselves to serve the needs of others, especially children who cannot help themselves. We believe Shriners Hospitals to be the world's greatest Philanthropy, and we covenant with each other to support its "temples of mercy" with spirit, time, talent and means.



Mark
Your Calendar

THE
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IS YET TO
COME

2023



SAVE THESE DATES!

APRIL

April 15th • Meat Raffle TBD

MAY

May 6th • Ladies Luncheon

May 21st • Lincoln Park Parade

May 29th • Sterling Hgts Parade

JUNE

June 25th • Bay-Rama Parade New
Baltimore

JULY

July 1st to 7th • Imperial

July 4th • Wyandotte Parade

July 29th • Moslem Shriners Family
Picnic

AUGUST

August 19th • Howell Melon festival

August 30th - 31st • Shrine Circus &
Michigan State Fair

SEPTEMBER

September 1st- 4th • Shrine Circus &
Michigan State Fair

September 13th to 17th • GLSA Evansville
Indiana

September 20th • Potentate's Birthday Party

September 24th • Clinton Fall festival parade

September 30th • Moslem Shriners Child Care
Golf outing Taylor Michigan

OCTOBER

October 7th • Fall Ladies Luncheon

October 14th • Meat Raffle TBD

NOVEMBER

November 5th • Veterans Day Parade

DECEMBER

December 2nd • Moslem Holiday Party at
Pennas

December 10th • Childcare party Allen Park

December 16th • Wreaths Accross America



Parade Schedule 2023

For Additional Parade Information Contact:

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Lincoln Park Memorial Day Parade, Sunday, May 21, 2023

Line up 11:00 AM on Electric Ave. between Southfield Rd. and White Ave. Parade start time 1:00 PM.

Parade route is South on Fort St. Starting at White Ave. and ending at Merrill St., turning into Memorial Park.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/LPMDP>

Sterling Heights Memorial Day Parade, Monday, May 29, 2023

Line up 8:30 AM in the parking lot North-West of City Hall, 40555 Utica Rd. Parade start time 10:00 AM.

Parade route starts at Dodge Park and heads South on Dodge Park Rd to Heritage Jr. High School parking lot.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/CityofSterlingHeights>

Bay-A-Rama Fishfly Festival (New Baltimore), Sunday, June 25, 2023

Parade line up 11:00 AM forming at Alfred & Base St. Parade start time 1:00 PM. Parade starts at Dairy Queen (35654 Green St.) and proceeds down Green St and ends ¼ mile before County Line Rd. No afterglow.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/BayRamaFishflyFestival>

Wyandotte Independence Day Parade, Tuesday, July 4, 2023

Line up 9:00 AM in Lot N off Ford Ave. East of Biddle Ave. Parade start time 10:00 AM. Parade route starts at Ford Ave. proceeds South on Biddle Ave. to Eureka.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/WyandotteMichigan>

Howell Melon Festival, Saturday, August 19, 2023

Line up 9:00 AM, Start time 10:00 AM. Parade route starts at City Hall (Almond St.) and proceeds to the High School (Byron Rd.) Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/howellmelonfestival>

Great Lakes Shrine Association (GLSA), Evansville, Indiana, September 17, 2023

Afterglow TBD. Website only: <https://www.greatlakesshrineassociation.org/home>

Clinton Fall Festival, Sunday, September 24, 2023

Line up at 1:30 PM at Clinton High School. Parade start time 2:30 PM. Parade routes starts at Clinton High School parking lot, then West on Kehoe Rd, West to Currier to Michigan Ave to Division St South to Franklin to River St.

Afterglow in Shriner Staging area. Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/clintonfallfestival>

Detroit Veterans Day Parade, Sunday, November 5, 2023

Line up 8:00 AM, Parade starts at 11:11 AM. Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/MetroDetroitVeteransCoalition>

MESSAGE FROM OUR CHIEF RABBAN

Gentlemen, some of you were at the special meeting, and some could not make the meeting for one reason or another. At that meeting, some information was presented to the nobles and not properly presented, specifically, the statement made that we could pay for the new building for five years. Many believe that in five years, we will not be able to afford the building; this is a misconception of the facts. That statement needs to be clarified. The fact is if we do nothing to generate any income of any type, we have enough to make payments for five years. What we, in a poor attempt, to say was we have tried to design the building in such a way as to serve our needs and, should the worst scenario happen, the building would be easy to convert to offices, thereby making it more appealing for sale at a profit if the need should arise in five years. Few people or businesses can say they can pay a five-year mortgage without any income.

This project is an investment in the future of the Moslem Shrine. In my opinion, if we do nothing, the Moslem is doomed for failure. We must have a home for all members, and this is the way to proceed. One of the reasons that we are losing members is due to the fact we have no place for gatherings that we all can use, either for meetings or just social fun and camaraderie. The divan has worked and continues to work to secure a future for all Nobles of Moslem. While the future is impossible to predict, we try to prepare for any contingencies. The meeting next month will require 50% plus 1 to pass the vote. I am requesting every member to be at that meeting and vote for the future of Moslem.

Thank You
Tommy Thompson.
Chief Rabban



Thomas Thompson
Chief Rabban



The possibilities for having fun as a Shriner are endless, and it is often said our members are "first to fun." Our local Shrine Centers around the world have thousands of activity-based clubs, units and events that provide ways for members to connect with each other in a fun environment. A unique aspect of our local chapters is that creativity is encouraged, and if a club for a particular activity doesn't exist, members are empowered to create one.

Shrine Centers also provide coaching, financial support and resources to help members develop their ideas and build their own member experience.

MESSAGE FROM OUR ASSISTANT RABBAN

Nobles all,

On March 13, 2023, the Divan presented the Nobility with a proposal to build a NEW building in Novi. A couple of articles in this edition of the Moslemite already speak to this, and that's because each member of the Divan believes in our hearts that this is the right thing and the best thing we can do to secure the future of Mighty Moslem.

We have the finance part figured out (I know I'm repeating others), but if we did NOTHING for five years, we still have the finances locked up to pay for it for 5+ years.

After five years does NOT mean the end, nor does it mean we will have to sell it...but far from it!

Why? Because WE are Moslem Shriners, I know that sitting back and doing NOTHING isn't in our vocabulary, and it's not who we are.

We didn't become one of the top, most respected Shrine Temples in Shrinedom because we're lazy and don't care. Quite the contrary. We reached that status BECAUSE we are the BEST of the BEST, and we don't take challenges lying down. We meet them head-on, and we work together..., and that is because we have the heart, we have the passion, we have the love, and we have the commitment to not only make this new home happen but also to KEEP IT for many years to come...because that's who we are and that's what we do!

Remember the quote in Field of Dreams; "If you build it, they will come!" I believe that will happen with our new home, and I think that with all my heart.

Please join us on April 17, vote in support of building our new home, and with its vote for the future of Mighty Moslem and to continue building our rich history for many years to come!!

Sincerely and Fraternally

Gary Lewandowski

Assistant Rabban - 2023

"As iron sharpens iron, so friends sharpen friends."

**"Serving as a Shriner
is more than a brotherhood
it's a way of life!"**

Rodrick Brown, Jr. (Detroit Shriners) is active with his temple's "Flying Carpets" Patrol Unit, serving as treasurer. He also serves as Junior Deacon of one of two Masonic Lodges to which he belongs in the Grand Lodge of Michigan, and is active with the Scottish and York Rites, Allied Masonic Degrees, OES, High Twelve and Grotto – and is an Advisor for Wayne DeMolay Chapter.

When asked about membership development, he says that being welcoming and visible is the key to recruiting new members, and that leaders should always be concerned with matters that impact their membership and personal life.



Gary Lewandowski
Assistant Rabban



From the Desk of the Recorder

Some History from the Shrine Imperial Sessions

What is the Imperial Session?

Every summer, Shriners from around the world come together for their annual business meeting, known as the Imperial Session. During the week-long event, held in a different host city each year, members meet to discuss and vote on business matters of Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children. The fraternity also hosts a variety of fun events including a parade and unit competitions. Other traditional events include a pageant for the incoming Imperial Potentate and the debut of the new patient success video and introduction of the National Patient Ambassadors.

History of Imperial Session

1876

The first Imperial Session was held in the Masonic Hall in New York City with only 20 Nobles in attendance. It was at this meeting that a group of men were endowed with rights and privilege to advance the "Order of the Mystic Shrine" and create subordinate Temples. A fee of \$50 was instituted for the charter of a new Temple with \$10 annual temple tax to the Imperial Council. Dr. Walter M. Fleming was appointed the Grand Imperial Potentate and he, along with three other members, formed the Imperial Grand Council of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for the United State of America.

1877

The legend of the origins of the fraternity began at the 2nd Imperial Session held at the Masonic Temple in Albany, New York. It was here that the near-Eastern theme of the Shriners was established. The costumes and of the jewels of the Imperial and subordinate officers were prescribed, and each temple was required to adopt an Arabian or Egyptian name.

1886

The 11th Imperial Session was held in Cleveland, Ohio, the first to be held outside of New York state. Sam Briggs of Al Koran Shriners was elected Imperial Potentate, only the second in the organization's history.

1887

The grandeur, festivities and tradition of the Imperial Session began at this session in Indianapolis, Indiana. Three hundred nobles attended a banquet that *Indianapolis News* said was "the most elaborate ever laid in Indiana." It was followed by a procession of Shriners in fezzes and evening attire to the Scottish Rite temple.

1888

The 13th Imperial Session was held in Toronto, Ontario, Canada where Rameses Shriners had just been chartered the year before. Shriners, and for the first time, their ladies arrived in Toronto by the hundreds on trains. Rameses rented a Lake Steamer for moonlight cruises on Lake Erie.

1900

At the 26th Imperial Session in Washington, D.C., an Arabic band marched Imperial Potentate John H. Atwood to the headquarters hotel where the proceeded to play for hours in the lobby. This established the ongoing tradition of bands playing in the hotels at Imperial Session.

1907

During the 33rd Imperial Session in Los Angeles, California sightseeing train derailed and crashed, killing 31 and injuring 20 Nobles and their ladies, mostly from Rajah Shriners.

1917

Due to the United States' impending involvement in the first World War, the 43rd Imperial Session in Minneapolis, Minnesota was dedicated solely to business. Many temple units which had raised funds for their trip turned them over to various was relief societies.

MESSAGE FROM OUR RECORDER Continued...

1918

During the 44th Imperial Session in Atlantic City, New Jersey, a German submarine took over a passenger steamer and ordered all aboard onto small boats. One boat made it to the coast of Atlantic City, and Shriners in full regalia waded into the ocean to help pull the boat to shore.

1920 – 21

At the 46th Imperial Session in Portland, Oregon, Past Imperial Potentate Freeland Kendrick proposed that the Shriners build a hospital for children. A committee was chosen to determine the site and personnel for the first Shriners Hospital. After month of work, research and debate, the committee concluded that there should not be just one hospital, but a network of hospitals throughout North America. When the committee brought the proposal to the 47th Imperial Session in Des Moines, Iowa, it too was passed.

1945

Due to World War II, the 71st Imperial Session in Chicago, Ill. was only attended by the Imperial Divan and necessary members of various committees.

1949

President and Shriner Harry S. Truman spoke to the crowd about foreign policy at the 75th "Diamond Jubilee" Imperial Session in Chicago, Illinois.

1966

Against the wishes of the Secret Service, both President Lyndon B. Johnson and Vice President H. Hubert Humphrey and their wives appeared together with Shrine leadership at the 92nd Imperial Session in Washington, D.C.

1982

The Imperial Session is held in Orlando, Florida for the first time. Shriners and their families spent an evening at Walt Disney World and the motor corps competitions were held at Sea World.

1989

The Peace Monument, donated to the city of Toronto in 1930 by the Shriners, was rededicated at a sunrise ceremony.

1999

The Hella Shrine Band hosted a musical reenactment of the famous "bubbles" speech at the 125th Imperial Session in Dallas, TX. This moving speech was given by Forrest Adair at the 1920 Imperial Session and it persuaded the representatives to pass legislation to create the hospital system.

2020

Imperial Session scheduled for July 5 – 9 in Kansas City, Missouri, was cancelled due to the COVID-19 global pandemic.

2020

In response to the cancellation of the 146th Imperial Session in Kansas City, a virtual Special Session of Shriners International and Special Meeting of Shriners Hospital for Children was held. The event was live streamed to temples around the world. The election of Imperial Officers and Trustees and two other proposed legislation items were done electronically.

Source credit – Shriners International.



Robert Pate PP
Recorder

SHRINE HISTORY



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Nobles All - Greetings

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From One Location to Worldwide Reach

The members of the Shriners fraternity have always shared a desire to help those in need. In the late 1910s, as a polio epidemic swept across the United States, it was apparent that many children were going without appropriate care. So, the Shriners established a children's hospital to meet this need.

On May 12, 1922, thousands gathered to witness the placing of the cornerstone of the first Shriners Children's hospital, in Shreveport, Louisiana. The first patient – a little girl with clubfoot – was seen on Sept. 16, 1922, in a remodeled home adjacent to the Masonic temple while construction of the permanent hospital was underway.

What began as a single hospital is now a world-renowned and beloved healthcare system with hospitals, outpatient clinics, ambulatory care centers and outreach locations across the globe. We are now providing hope and healing to more children in more places.

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Our Core Values

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Childcare article continued...

- **Excellence**
 - Strive to provide services effectively and efficiently. Continuously seek improvement opportunities.
- **Innovation**
 - Continuously seek to improve the services we provide and be a leader in specialty pediatric health care.
- **Commitment**
 - Actively promote Shriners Children's vision, mission, and strategic plan.
- **Integrity**
 - Assume responsibility for doing the right and just thing in all situations. Is honest, conscientious and accountable in all aspects of work.
- **Teamwork**
 - Recognize the worth of each co-worker as a valuable member of the team. Place the good of the team ahead of personal objectives and work together to achieve the vision of Shriners Children's.
- **Stewardship**
 - Responsibly manage and apply our resources to maximize the benefit to our patients, their families, employees, fraternity members and donors.
- **Respect**
 - Value all individuals. Adhere to all governing rules and regulations and embrace the culture and traditions of Shriners Children's. Demonstrate respect for self and others.

Our Mission

Shriners Children's is committed to compassionate, high-quality care that improves children's lives, in a family-centered and collaborative environment.

If you know of a child in need that Shriners Children's can help, please reach out to Pam York, Child Care Coordinator at 248 569 2900 or myself at 313 806 9475.

Until we meet again.....

Bob O'Brien, Past Potentate 2018
Child Care Director
Shriners Children's – Ohio Board Member

Reprint from Shriners Hospitals for Children – www.shrinerschildrens.org





THANK YOU, SHRINERS!



Former burn patient powers through Strongman events, becomes firefighter

Former Shriners Children's Ohio patient Steven wears his life on his skin. There's the ink from more than 14 tattoos and patches of dark and light beside raised lines, bumps and swirls. Every scar is like a map you can trace to the accident that changed his body forever.

When he was 14 years old he sustained second- and third-degree burns over most of his body after a gas leak triggered an explosion at his home in West Virginia. He was eventually transferred to Shriners Children's Ohio where he stayed for three months. He couldn't sit, stand, eat or walk on his own.

*We're here to provide the most **AMAZING CARE** anywhere for every child with burn and plastic surgery needs!*

Speech therapy after cleft palate surgery takes Veronica's confidence to next level

Veronica was just 8 months old when she came to Shriners Children's Chicago with a cleft palate -- a small hole in the roof of her mouth.

David Morris, M.D., chief of plastic surgery, performed two successful surgeries, but Veronica's care journey was just beginning. She was 4 years old when she returned for speech therapy with Sarah Richards, MS CCC-SLP. Seventeen months in therapy, she has graduated.

"Shriners Children's Chicago has great doctors and therapists. It is a place to go when your child needs help," Ewa, her mom, said. "We will be forever thankful to 'Ms. Richards' for everything she did for Veronica and our family."

*We're here to provide the most **AMAZING CARE** anywhere for every child with orthopedic, spine, craniofacial and rehabilitation needs!*





REFER A GOOD MAN

Are you currently a Shriner? Our JustOne Referral program is designed for active Shriners to refer men of great character who are interested in learning more about becoming a Shriner Mason.

Simply gather the Shriner prospect's contact information and submit it directly to
The Moslem Shriners membership contact email to:

moslem.membership.chairman@gmail.com

Please remember that the best way to introduce potential new members to Shriners' fun, fellowship and philanthropy, is to invite them to hospital/facility tours, fundraisers and other special chapter events. Help others expand the quality of their life and their masonic mission with a JustOne referral.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE TODAY

MEMBERSHIP

Dear Nobles,

I am pleased to report that we initiated 8 new Nobles at our circus this past February. Quite a few of these Noble were brought in after attending the Sportsman's Raffle as this event continues to be a great recruiting method for Moslem.

At the Membership Table at the Circus we raffled off a 4 Foot Vermont Teddy Bear Shriner Edition. Through this, we had 95 people fill out raffle cards with information. From the data we retrieved from the raffle tickets there were 4 current Master Masons who are interested in becoming a Shriner and 18 Non-Masons whose names we provided to Grand Lodge for recruitment.

By the way, the winner of the Teddy Bear was a family with 2 small kids and the kids were so happy to win it! Proof in the picture below...

As of now we have visibility to 6 more new Nobles who wish to become Nobles.

If you know of a Master Mason and think that they would be a great Shriner, please let us know. We can reach out and get the process rolling. You can always reach out to me or our Recorder, Bob Pate with this information.

And lastly, if you are interested in serving on the Membership Committee, please let me know!

Best Wishes,
John Young
Moslem Membership

moslem.membership.chairman@gmail.com



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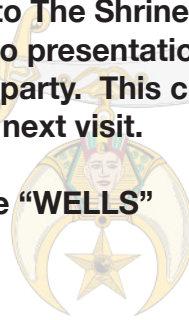
Take the first step in joining our global community of brothers



THE JACKSON SHRINE CLUB "ARTESIAN WELLS"

At our November meeting, the members voted to make a monetary donation to The Shriners Childrens Hospital in Chicago. This photo presentation was taken at our December Christmas party. This check will be presented to the hospital on our next visit.

All is going well at the "WELLS"
Sincerely,
The Westside Gang





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**TRANSPORTATION
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MEMBERSHIP!**



Shriners Legacy Program Connects Family Members

Are you a Shrine Legacy? The Legacy Program celebrates our fraternal bonds with those closest to us. Shriners International invites nobles to be part of the Legacy Program and to encourage family members to participate. Honor your family and yourself by sharing your legacy. **The Shriners Legacy Program is open to any male family member such as Grandfathers, Fathers, Brothers, Sons, Grandsons, Uncles, Nephews, and In-laws.**

PASS ALONG THE SHRINERS LEGACY



All family members who are Shriners are eligible to become part of the Legacy Program. To make the registration process easy, only one member of the family's legacy needs to register on Shriners Village. When logging in to your account on shrinersvillage.com, click on the "Membership" tab on the top of the web page. From this page, select "Legacy Program" on the left-hand side of the screen.

Each Legacy can download a certificate signed by the Imperial Potentate and Imperial Recorder. Shriners and their registered relatives can also order a special gold Legacy pin. Any new Shriners Legacy is eligible to receive a free pin for himself and up to two of his Shrine legacies. Nobles who became Shriners legacies prior to Jan. 1, 2012, are encouraged to become part of Shriners Legacy Program; these nobles may order a Legacy pin and certificate for themselves and their legacies for a contribution of \$5 or more per pin.

SHARE THE SHRINERS TRADITION

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RECEPTION UNIT
TALL SHRINERS UNIT

2023 WINTER SPORTSMAN'S RAFFLE

Thank you to everyone who supported the Detroit Moslem Shriners Sportsman's Raffle.

We had another great event with a large crowd. Second largest ever 50/50 payout of \$20,565 to the winner, second largest ever decks sold in Randy's 52-card gun raffle 133 (missing the world record of 134 by only 1).

Thanks to all that spent their day selling tickets, distributing beer/refreshments, working the stage, serving food. Special thanks to the crew that after an already long day, they stayed behind and help to tear down the stage and raffle tables, loading the trailer.

We couldn't be successful without all the great dedicated volunteers.

Sincerely,

Mike Zelmanski, Past Potentate



Nobles All,

While sorting the vests at the Spring Circus, 4 Nobles asked me if they could still purchase the vest, so I'll throw it out there again.

The mid-weight vest goes well with a long sleeve shirt or under a coat.

The logo says Moslem inside the scimitar with the Old English D between the gold tiger claws

-or- Request the logo Illustrious Sir Pate used in 2014 w/messenger/masonic/Michigan

This time, you may order the vest in Black, Grey, or Navy Blue

The Port Authority vest tends to fit small. Going up a size may be preferable.

Depending on the shirt, I wear an XL or 2XL, so I went 2XL for a perfect fit. I wear it all the time.

I talked with Marie of DBC America, and they will hold the price at \$42 for all sizes.

Add your name if you like for another \$4. Payment is due at the time of order... The cutoff date to order is extended to May 1st!

Checks should be made out to Moslem Shriners. Credit cards will be charged an additional 3.5%

Call the Shrine office at 248-569-2900 and arrange payment, sizing, etc.



Thank you again to our entire Detroit Shrine Circus staff and to all of our volunteers and workers who gave their time, talent, and expertise to make our February 2023 Circus successful!



Hello Nobles All from the Moslem Clown Unit...

Well, another Moslem Shrine Circus has come and gone! The Clown Unit, as you can imagine, was front and center for all the action! The clowns performed a skit in each of the 8 regular performances, and a few Moslem Clowns were able to participate in the early Alhambra show. Joeys from Elf Khurafeh, Hadi (Indiana), and Kosair (Kentucky) assisted the Moslem Clowns with the "Laundry Ladies" skit. LOSNA Lady Clowns assisted with walk-around and half-time crowd entertainment. If you haven't seen us perform that skit, let me just say we made a big "Splash"...and it was a big hit with the audience. I know you just rolled your eyes and groaned at that statement, but in this line of work a groan is just as good as a laugh. You probably just groaned again...I'm

calling that a win for the Clowns. If you are still reading this, believe it or not, we did have the crowd laughing. Our very own Potentate, Frank "Chum" Dougherty, who had a speaking role in the skit was at center ring with us for every performance. OOO-LA-LA!

The Clown Unit was up bright and early on Saturday morning for our regular FOX2 appearance. We went Live on-the-air about 8:00 a.m. which means we were up and getting ready by about 6:00 a.m.. The morning TV appearance plus 3 regular shows made for a long day. We were in character for about 14 hours that Saturday. Oddly enough people still showed up for the Circus after our TV appearance (must have been our charisma, wit, comedic timing, and lack of actual talent). All kidding aside, we had several folks tell us they came to the Circus because they

saw us on the News that morning. Getting up early paid off Nobles.

As of this writing, we have a bunch of Joeys down in Toledo at the Zenobia Shrine Circus. That's one of the great things about this unit – we get around. More on the antics of that circus in a future issue. We're also looking forward to a great Parade season as the weather begins to warm up. We hope to see you there.

Did you know the Moslem Clown Unit has been in the funny business for 57 years? Would you like to be a part of our great legacy, and become a Moslem Shrine Clown? We are hiring Clowns. No Experience required. Training provided. Contact the clown unit for more info.

Hope to see you all soon!

Toejam

Clown Unit Skribbler





EAST-WEST SHRINE GAMES



MOSLEM SHRINERS St. Practice Party



LOS St. Patty's Day Parade



The Lady Clown Unit from Za-hir-u-din Court No. 7 of the Ladies' Oriental Shrine of North America (LOSNA) invited the Moslem Clown Unit and Elf Khurafah Clown Unit to participate with them in the Detroit St. Patrick's Parade on Sunday, March 12. This annual event is one of the largest St. Patrick's Day Parades in the USA and is viewed by 80,000-100,000 people each year. Weather was chilly but a great time was had by all. Looking forward to doing this parade together again in 2024!





Ladies' Oriental Shrine of North America (LOSNA)

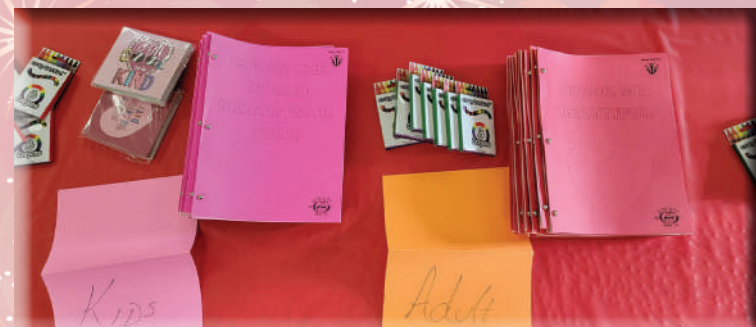


Helping Hands Unit



Valentine's Party for our Shrine Kids and their families

Our Unit provides the emotional and social support of our Shrine Kids and their families through social activities and hospital support. Families that sign up to be supported by our Unit receive a Lady who becomes their "person". We work with the Moslem Shrine Child Care Program be to be able to provide this one-on-one support for our Shrine Kids.



Moslem Shriners Presents

Lady Jan's Luxury Jewelry Fundraiser

Grand Prize Drawing Diamond Earrings and Necklace

Donation:
\$10 each
3 for \$20



Shrine Office at 248-569-2900 ext. 1
www.detroitshriners.com

Proceeds to benefit General Fund of Moslem Shriners.
Donations are not a charitable contribution. MI License #R68916

Drawing on December 2, 2023
at 9pm at 38600 Van Dyke,
Sterling Heights, Michigan

Detroit Moslem Shriners
JAN & CO.

Cost:
\$35*



Darlings...

You are cordially invited to
a Ladies' Luncheon honoring

First Lady Jan Dougherty

on Saturday, May 6th, 2023

1pm-3pm

Belleville Yacht Club (BYC)
831 E. Huron River Dr.
Belleville, Michigan

Reserve your spot by April 21st by calling the
Shrine office at 248-569-2900 ext. 1.

Need additional information? Contact Diana McCusker at 248-722-8044.

In the spirit of

Breakfast at Tiffany's

Please wear your best little black dress &
don't forget your fabulous pearls!

* 3.5% credit card fee
Cash or checks payable to Moslem Shriners

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Moslem Shriners Present
Fantastic Fireworks Night in the "D"

This five hour river cruise package
includes:

MOTOWN BBQ

- Bone-in Chicken Pieces
- Beef Hamburgers
- Fresh Baked Rolls
- Baked Beans
- Potato Salad
- Corn on the Cob
- Garden Salad
- Dessert
- Coffee and Soft Drinks
- 2 Drink Tickets

\$110 / person

NO REFUNDS

A 3.5% Surcharge will be added when using Credit
Card to Reserve your spot.

To Reserve your spot, contact
Guest Relations at the Shrine
Center—248 569 2900

Aboard the Diamond Belle, you will have
private "floating up-front seats" for one of
the best firework displays in America!

June 26, 2023

In case of inclement weather, June 27 is reserved as rain date



Ticket Sales are Limited to 125 People

Boarding at 5:45pm from Stroh's River Place

Leaving Promptly at 6:00pm

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Join Ill Sir Frank "Chum" Dougherty
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July 1st-6th, 2023
in Charlotte North Carolina!



Fun and Fellowship in Charlotte

Book your trip today!



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IMPERIAL SESSION



Start planning to attend the fraternity's biggest event of the year with Moslem Shriners! Join Imperial Sir Kenny Craven and his Lady Jennifer Craven at The 149th Imperial Session at the Charlotte Convention Center, which is in the middle of everything!



More fun and fellowship

IMPERIAL SESSION 2024
Reno, Nevada | June 30 – July 4
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149th Imperial Session

WHEN: July 2-6, 2023

WHERE: Charlotte, North Carolina

LEARN MORE: imperialsession.com



Moslem has a room block at The Omni Hotel, located at 132 E Trade St, Charlotte, NC 28202

Room costs:

- \$233.00 per night for single or double occupancy base rate
- \$257.00 per night triple occupancy base rate
- \$280.00 for quadruple occupancy base rate

Charter bus:

- \$210.00 per person, assuming all 56 seats are filled.
 - Bus will leave from the Clawson, MI bus garage Saturday, 07/01/23, at 5:30am. Bus loading begins at 5:00am.
 - Bus will leave Charlotte, N.C. Thursday, 07/06/23. (Departure time TBD)



Charlotte Funny Bus comedy tour: will be \$30.00 per person. Reservation is for Monday 07/03/23 at noon. Bus will pick us up at the Omni hotel. All must be ready by 11:45am!! 40 seats available.

Reservations must be made by 05/22/23. All tickets/rooms are first come first serve so make your reservations early!

Call the Shrine office 248-569-2900 ext. 1 or ext. 2 to make your reservations.

- Cash may be paid via mail or in person at the Shrine office.
- Checks must be made out to Moslem Shriners and may be mailed or delivered to the office in person.
- Credit/Debit card payments may be made via phone.
 - Please note that there will be a 3.5% surcharge for all credit and/or debit card payments.

	Per Person	Per Couple
5 Nights Hotel only	\$1,165	\$1,165
5 Nights Hotel + Round Trip Charter Bus	\$1,375	\$1,585
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5 Nights Hotel + Round Trip Charter Bus + Funny Bus Tour	\$1,405	\$1,645



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DIVAN DAY



SAVE the DATE

August 11, 2023

At SHRINERS CHILDREN'S CHICAGO
More information to follow!

Consider extending your stay to play in
Medinah Golf Outing to support our
hospital. August 12 Bloomingdale Country
Club. Questions? 773-675-7210
email: kelly.miller@shrinenet.org.

You can Help a Shriner Help a Child



Save Your Tabs!

What is the "Pull-Tab Collection Program"?

Pull-tabs, or pop tabs, from beverage cans can be saved and donated to the Moslem Shriners. The tabs are sold to a recycling company and the money collected is used to help Shrine Kids.

Pop It and
Drop It

Pop the
Top



Why collect the tabs and not the entire can?

Aluminum has recycling value, and the tab is the only pure aluminum part of the can. The can itself can still be returned for the deposit in Michigan after the tab has been removed.

Where do you deliver the tabs?

Tabs can be dropped off at the Moslem Transportation Bus Garage in Clawson. Call the Garage to make arrangements to drop them off.

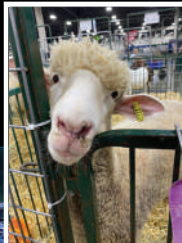
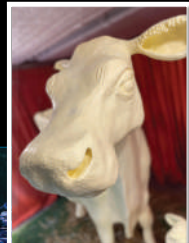


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WHOOT WHOOT!**



September 20th, 2023

Will be the Potentate's Birthday Party!!!
Mark your calendars now to make sure you are there!

PLEASE NOTE

Ladies are invited!!

Much more information to follow!

Jeff Geske — Past Potentate

Save the Date **MOSLEM SHRINE** Golf Outing

50/50, Door Prize, Auction, Ladies Porch Party
Dinner & Cash Bar

For Additional Information: Troy Thompson & Kristen Porchia

**SEPTEMBER 30,
2023**



**9:00 AM
START**

The Lakes of Taylor Golf Course
25505 Northline Road
Taylor MI 48180



**Shriners
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Proceeds are for the Benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children



Join us for Lady Jan's Fall Luncheon

Space is Limited

**DRAG
QUEEN
BINGO**

Motor City Eagles
24401 Five Mile, Redford
Oct 7th

Doors open at 11:30am,

Lunch served at 12:00pm, Bingo 1pm-3:30pm

Tickets \$40 (includes lunch, bingo & 1 drink)

Cash Bar, Share The Wealth & much more!!

- WARNING -

May contain traces of nuts!

Payments are not deductible as a charitable contribution

Call to purchase tickets!!!

734-536-3684 (Theresa)

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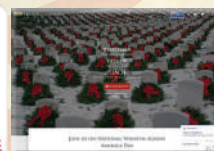
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Cash, check, zelle,
paypal or venmo

SAVE THE DATE!!!

**The Moslem Shriners
Will Be Placing Wreaths
In Remembrance To Those
Who Served**

Open to everyone wishing to assist us in laying wreaths



The Great Lakes National Cemetery

**Saturday,
December 16th**

Additional event information will be available closer to this events date



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