

Arabian Knights

December 2021

Volume 45, Issue 3

Notes of Interest:

- New Year's Eve Party at Circus Park
- SAVE THE DATE
01/08/22
1:00 PM Social hour with hors d'oeuvres
2:00 PM Installation of Elf Khurafeh Officers
- Onion Kick-Off
02/01/2022 6:30 PM
- Circus Kick-Off
02/15/2022 7:00 PM
- Chili Cook-Off & Indoor Ice Fishing Contest
02/26/2022 5:30 PM



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Illustrious Sir Philip Brack, 2021

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Have you seen the AK recently?

While the shrine was contending with extreme COVID restrictions impacting the financial and social wellbeing of our temple, printing and distribution of the Arabian Knights had been put on hiatus.

Illustrious Sir Phil Brack brought it back digitally in August of 2021. The issues are shared bi-monthly on the temple website www.ekshrine.com/ak, their Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/ekshrine>, and via the regular monthly member email blasts. These forms of distribution are digital as a PDF file. There are very limited copies being printed at this time.

To assist with covering the cost of printing so we may serve those members without access to the digital versions, we will be starting to offer advertising in the Arabian Knights. Please see page 12 for more information.

Additionally, remember the Arabian Knights is temple wide communication. Clubs, Units, Divan, all members...this is your communication. Please submit photos and articles by email ArabianKnights@ekshrine.com or postal mail to Arabian Knights, c/o Laura Downing, 12060 E Potter Rd, Davison MI 48423

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From the Potentate

Greetings, well, the year is nearing its end. All my predecessors told me it would go by fast and it has. We didn't get to do all the things we wanted to do but it has been a couple of crazy years.

What we did do were huge successes. A big thank you goes out to my wife Lisa and the party committee and all of the Clubs and Units that donated to the cause. They did a fantastic job. Money was very tight due to not being able to have our major fundraisers but we did do well on the car raffle. Thank you to Illustrious Sir Ron Stanley for heading that up and to all the Nobles and friends that sold tickets for the raffle. We will be having a New Years Eve party at Circus Park on the 31st, BYOB and a donation to pay the light bill. Doors will open at 6 PM. We did this a few years ago and had a great time. By the time you read this it will be nearing time for the election of officers. Please attend and wear your fez and have a current dues card. We still have some nobles that have not paid their dues, it's not too late. Thank you to all that supported Lady Lisa and I this year. It was a memorable experience.

*Yours in faith,
Philip Brack
Potentate 2021*



Chief Rabban Update

Greetings Nobles,

As I write this article, snow is falling, and the temperatures are dropping. Hunting season is underway and hopefully all of our hunters are blessed with a fruitful harvest.

At our November stated meeting we had guests from Moslem Shrine in Detroit, Michigan. Illustrious Sirs Craig Stigleman, Jeff Geske, and Mike Zelmanski came to our meeting and presented a check for over \$30,000, which was what our nobles earned for their help with the 2021 State Fair held in Novi, Michigan over Labor Day weekend. This was a great surprise, since we were told we could expect around \$10,000 for our help. We received a larger amount because our nobles and ladies provided greater help than expected! Looking into the future, we have more opportunities to help next

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Halloween Trunk or Treat 2021

We could not have asked for a more beautiful day to have this event!

Started off the day with heavy fog and soon cleared to a calm day with little to no wind. Cars started arriving both to set up their stations or be the first in line for the event.

Set up went quickly for everyone and soon we were ready for the vehicles FULL of kids of all ages.

Each station had a different theme, and all parts were played to the hilt! *(Robin Hood, Friar Tuck & Little John, were seen taking candy from a few stations and giving all away to the children).*

We provided Bags and candy to over 200 children, met a few of our shrine patients and their parents, and had a wonderful time with great people.



At the end of the day, we had received over \$400 in donations and none of the candy was left.

Thank You to all who participated, from the Planning Committee, Security, and all the stations the day of the event.

Last but not least, Thank You to all who made this event successful!

*Jon "Ashis" Jacobs
Captain of the Guard
Elf Khurafeh Shrine Clowns*



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Candy was given out to over 200 kids in vehicles during the afternoon!

We had 23 stations set up by Clubs, Units, Divan, Past Potentates, Masonic Lodges and more.



- 1 - Illustrious Sir Ron Houston & Lady Pat
- 2 - Swart Creek Lodge - Hamilton Family
- 3 - Circus - Jayson and Ashley Jacobs (Meira tiger)
- 4 - Clowns - Josh Jacobs, Caila, Emerson, Elaina
- 4 - Clowns - Jon Jacobs, Andrew Huskins, Steven Steele
- 5 - Ed & Terrie Soper
- 6 - Ed Winer & Sandy
- 7 - White Pine SC - Dave Schmidt



- 8 - Arab Patrol - Jim McQuinn, Ken Scott, Dave Schmidt
- 9 - Provost Guard - Haskell

- 10 - Tony Tucker & Krystal, Vance and Kimberly Crandall
- 11 - Director Staff - Jim Dameron, Travis Schlosser, Tim Corrigan, Jeff Downing



- 12 - El Said - Evelyn McMullen, Mary Lou Green, Bettie Titmus, Margie Hall
- 14 - Ritualistic Cast - Tim Birch, Chuck Birch

- 15 - Tall Shriners - Gene, nellie
- 16 - Tall Shriners - Barry, Jane

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year; Moslem will need our help again next year with the State Fair, and they are in the process of resurrecting the Gold Cup Hydroplane Races on the Detroit River. They have extended the offer to Elf Khurafeh to provide help for both events, and in return, they will pay us based on our participation. Payment is based on hours worked per noble, lady and any other participant we can provide (think family, friends, co-workers and more), so the more participation we can provide, the bigger the payout we will receive. Please save June 16th - 19th for the Gold Cup Races and Labor Day weekend for the State Fair on your calendar next year.

For those of you that couldn't make our November stated meeting, we announced that we received an offer to purchase our Saginaw property. The purchaser has made a serious offer including a sizeable down payment and the remaining amount on land contract. We hope to meet with our realtor soon to propose a counteroffer. We will keep everyone informed of the progress of this possible action as it happens.

Illustrious Sir Phil Brack and Lady Lisa hosted a successful Trunk or Treat on October 24th. Over 200 bags were handed out to the trunk or treaters, and we grossed over \$400 on the event. Thanks go to Illustrious Sir Norm Storms and Lady Donna, Bob and Tammy Hardin and family, Hillbilly Clan 55, the Tall Shriners, El Said Court 28, the Director's Staff, Arab Patrol, Ed and Terrie Soper, Dave Trowbridge, the Elf Khurafeh Shrine Clowns, Illustrious Sir Ron Huston, and many others for manning stations at the event. All participants seemed to have a great time!

We created one new noble at our Fall Ceremonial on November 6th. The ceremonial marked the end of the second section as we have known it for quite some time. Instead of the Director's Staff conducting new candidates through the second section, the Ritualistic Cast, with the help of some Past Potentate's and the Divan presented the Knickerbocker Degree. This degree taught our new candidate about the creation of the Shrine and how the Shrine created its hospital system.

However, we are not creating enough nobles to offset those we are losing to the Black Camel. As we start into December, we are presented with a great opportunity to create new nobles. As you know, December is also the month many Blue Lodges install their officers for 2022. Use these installations as an opportunity to seek out new candidates. Attend your lodge's installation. Go to the installation for other lodges. If given the chance to speak at these events, inform our Masonic brothers of the good works that the Shrine does. Take petitions with you and hand them out. If you don't have a petition, reach out to our Recorder, Clarence Meyer, and see if he can get you some. Or you can print them off from our website (https://www.ekshrine.com/uploads/7/3/8/7/73877837/pocket_petition.pdf).

Remember, membership is not just the duty of the Membership committee, it is the duty of us all.

Lastly, please remember that our December business meeting is coming up. We will meet at Saginaw Shriners Hall on December 8th. Dinner will be at 6:00 pm and the business meeting starts at 7:00 pm. Dinner will be soups and chilis with a tossed salad. This meeting will also be the election of officers. Please come and help elect your 2022 Divan.

Yours in the Faith,

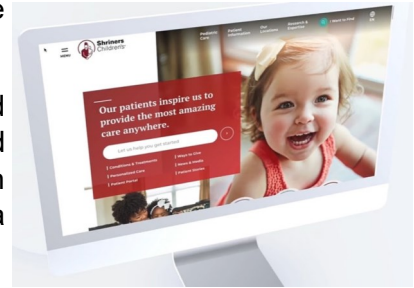
Jeff Downing
Chief Rabban
Elf Khurafeh Shrine



Introducing the New and Improved Shriners Children's Website

We are excited to announce that the all new shrinerschildrens.org is live. Shriners Children's is proud to introduce this complete digital transformation of our website to our nobles and extended Shriners family.

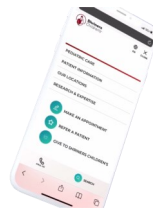
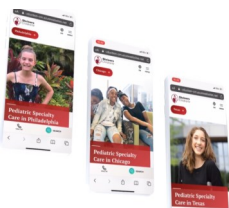
The new site enhances user experience, streamlines content and improves search engine optimization. Patient families, providers and donors are now able to get the content they are looking for faster on this easy-to-navigate website. Requesting an appointment, making a donation and finding information is easier than ever.



We encourage all nobles to explore the website and to help us spread the word about the new shrinerschildrens.org.

Mobile Ready

The website is designed to be accessible, readable, and user-friendly for visitors across all devices.



Appointments and Referrals

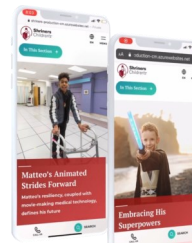
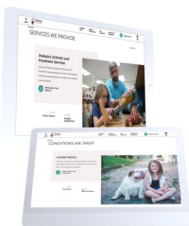
New web forms enable parents to schedule appointments and physicians to make referrals.

Patient Stories

Our patients are known for their perseverance in the face of adversity. The website features patient-centered stories that show by example what a dramatic difference our health care system has made on their lives.

Care Content

A comprehensive library of care pages and items with filter and search tools intuitively connect users to related locations, treatments and services.



Reminder for Election of Officers

Business Meeting and Election of Officers

**December 8th, 2021 Shriners Hall, 6525 Weiss St in Saginaw
Imperial Code - Section 325.11**



(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 distributing of resolutions, letters, telegrams, tickets, email or other devices, by unit, club, noble or group of nobles, suggesting, recommending, opposing, or continuing the name 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) Violation. For any violation of (a) or (b), the Imperial Potentate may suspend any offending noble, and he may declare the election of 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. A Noble may not be admitted to his own or any other temple unless he exhibits to the temple to which he desires admittance, an official shrine card for the then current year.

Signed: Philip J. Brack, Potentate

Attest: Clarence W. Meyer, Jr., P.P., Recorder

Dinner: 6:00 PM - Wear Your Fez - Be sure to have your 2021 dues



El Said Court 28

As a reminder ladies, we voted to have a craft table at Circus Park, for the Oasis Craft show. We will be doing a baked goods table. It is on Dec.11. I will be at Swartz Creek Masonic Temple at 9:00 am on the 10th, if anyone would like to bring me your goods. I would love you to come out to Circus Park to help out, it is from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Let's make this a good fundraiser.

The Christmas dinner is Dec 13th Monday night, at Whiteys in Davison. Social hour starts at 6:00pm dinner at 6:30pm. Friends & family are welcome,

Lady Mary Lou Green
High Priestess

The upcoming December meeting, 12/02/2021, Lady Mary Lou will be collecting gift cards and miscellaneous items for the Shriners Children's annual donations.

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*Lady Mary Lou Green, High Priestess,
and her grandson Dr Jim Seelye,
Worshipful Master of William McKinley Lodge #431,
member of Tamar Shrine Temple, Akron OH*



Join us for

CIRCUS KICK-OFF

February 15th
7:00PM

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Information on the Elf Khurafeh Shrine
2022 Big Top Circus and Parade!

Circus Snacks and beverages provided.

Membership

While you're thinking membership and singing petitions, remember being a top line signer is an honor. It makes you their mentor. If they're not sure which club or unit they'd like to join it's your job to get him to all the club/unit meetings to see what the best fit is for him, do not push him into a unit let him decide on his own. If we work together as a temple we can get our membership back over 1000. Also, if you know a member we've lost, reach out see how we can get him back. Keep in mind, your job is not done once he joins a club/unit either. Keep in contact with him. Be a true mentor. This will make you both better shriners.

Tim Corrigan
 Chief Aide
 Membership Co-Chair

SFA



I had a good time at SFA. Our OG Jim Dameron joined me in Fort Wayne. We both learned a lot. I was elected 2nd Vice President instead of 3rd Vice President. Thank you to Oasis, Security, Clowns and Lisa Brack for your financial support. I'm looking forward to serving the Temple as a SFA member.

Tim Corrigan
 Chief Aide

CASH CALENDER WINNER\$



September 2021				
Ticket #	Winner	Amount	Seller	Club/Unit
1358	Joran/Heather Tuckers	\$40	K Scott	Arab Patrol
1338	Mark Cabala	\$40	C Pangborn	Arab Patrol
1467	M Sturtz	\$40	T Schlosser	Security
0383	Robert Dickinson Jr.	\$40	R Dickinson	Oasis
0034	David Roe	\$40	D Roe	Mini Cars
0466	Mike Heger	\$40	D Schmidt	White Pine SC
0645	Paul Birchmeir	\$40	B Vowell	Clowns
0181	Keely Brennan	\$40	J Griffiths	Hospital Drivers
1351	Ken Scott	\$40	K Scott	Arab Patrol
0183	Marian Gregory	\$40	J Griffiths	Hospital Drivers
1379	Jonathon Ciamarito	\$100	B Geiser	Hillbillies

October 2021				
Ticket #	Winner	Amount	Seller	Club/Unit
0019	Luke McFarland	\$40	D Roe	Mini Cars
0434	Betg Schafer	\$40	C Hill	Divan
0300	James E Peck	\$40	J Peck	Shiawassee Fire Brigade
0295	Terry Nestle	\$40	J Peck	Shiawassee Shrine Club
0515	Nicole Lynch	\$40	C Pangborn	Arab Patrol
0026	Brad Moore	\$40	D Roe	Mini Cars
0613	Dora M Wright	\$40	P Gean	Security
0485	Lori Remer	\$40	C Pangborn	Arab Patrol
1470	Travis Schlosser	\$40	T Schlosser	Security
1495	Mike Banning	\$40	J Banning	Arab Patrol
1329	Bonnie Jacobs	\$100	J Dameron	Staff





MANY PRIZES

**MOST WEIGHT
MOST FISH
FIRST FISH**

JUDGE CHILI!

**TASTE TEST CHILI AND CHOOSE A
WINNER!**



MORE DETAILS TO COME!

CIRCUS PARK - 4240 W. WILSON RD, CLIO, MI

Black Camels

It is with extreme sorrow that we announce the passing of our fellow Noble.

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| 09/21/2021 | Emory G Wenzel | Flint, MI | View Obituary |
| 09/24/2021 | James D Harmon | Parrish, FL | View Obituary |
| 10/13/2021 | Burke P Rupersburg | Port Austin, MI | View Obituary |
| 10/26/2021 | Thomas G Drudi | Beaverton, MI | View Obituary |
| 11/05/2021 | Harold D Escue | Burton, MI | View Obituary |



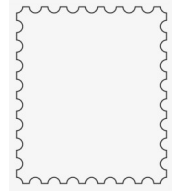
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1/4 Page	\$380	\$450	\$810
1/3 Page	\$510	\$600	\$1,080
1/2 Page	\$630	\$900	\$1,620
Full Page	\$1,140	\$1320	\$2,375



Elf Khurafeh Shrine Schedule of Events

12/04/2021	Oasis SC Installation		Circus Park
12/08/2021	Business Meeting & Elections		Shriners Hall
12/11/2021	Oasis Shrine Club Craft Show		Circus Park
12/11/2021	Arab Patrol Xmas Party		Shriners Hall
01/08/2022	Installation of Officers		Circus Park
01/12/2022	Business Meeting	7:00PM	Shriners Hall
02/01/2022	Onion Kick-Off	6:30PM	Circus Park
02/09/2022	Business Meeting	7:00PM	Circus Park
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