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KAABA SHRINERS

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CENTRAL STATES SHRINE ASSOCIATION

CSSA 2023



AUGUST 31ST– SEPTEMBER 2ND

Kaaba has set aside a block of rooms at the

Hampton Inn & Suites – Aksarben
1401 S 72nd St
Omaha, NE 68124
(402) 933-5510

For arriving Wednesday August 30th and leaving Saturday, Sept. 2nd

All room reservations must be made through the Hotel

Cutoff date is August 8, 2023

Send CSSA Registration to Kaaba by August 8, 2023

NAME-----LADY-----

ADDRESS-----PHONE-----

CITY-----STATE----- ZIP CODE-----

ARRIVAL DATE-----DEPARTURE-----

UNIT _____ CLUB _____ TITLE _____

REGISTRATION FEE _____ x \$50.00 LADIES LUNCHEON ---- _____ X \$40.00

PARKING LOT PARTY _____ X \$20.00 GOLFING OUTING _____ x \$60.00

INCLUDES CCSA REGISTRATION FEE PLEASE COMPLETE & MAIL THE FORM BELOW WITH THE PAYMENT TO:

**Kaaba Shriners
P.O. Box 3627
Davenport IA 52808-3627**

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO KAABA SHRINERS

Kaaba Elected Officers for 2023

Potentate — Monte Harris

Chief Rabban — Brian Huff

Assistant Rabban — Nathan Stone

High Priest & Prophet — David Downs

Oriental Guide — Merle McClain

Recorder — Roger Kadel PP

Treasurer — Michael G. Botts

APPOINTED DIVAN

Chaplain — Thomas Hodges PP

First Ceremonial Master — Richard W. Koerner

Second Ceremonial Master — Phillip W. Haan

Director — Todd Gullickson PP

Marshal — David Nunn

Captain of the Guard — Scott Conklin

Outer Guard — Sherman Rudnick

OTHER OFFICERS

Temple Attorney - Robert Breckenridge II

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BOOSTER RATES:
Annually — One Line
(Single name or
Mr. and Mrs.) \$10.00
If you want your
name and lady's name
on individual lines \$20.00

Enclosed is my check for
 \$ _____

Name or Names and town :

Line 1 _____
 Name & Town

Line 2 _____
 Name & Town

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POTENTATE

Nobles, Ladies, and significant others, I bring you greetings from your Kaaba Divan. I would like to thank all who came out to enjoy and support our Joint Masonic Picnic last month. But even more importantly, I'd like to thank those who worked on making it a success. I, and the other members of the Divan can plan events but we need your help in seeing them come to fruition. We estimate that we had around 80 participants, 20 of whom were children.

Nobles, it is parade season. If you have a parade unit, we would love to see you out participating in the many parades that we have planned this summer. If you don't have a parade vehicle, we would love to see you on the sidelines supporting our Nobles who are helping to raise awareness of our Shriners Hospitals and Clinics by being visible in our local communities.

Although our Temple is dark for the Summer, we still have a lot going on. Some of the members of the Divan and I will be attending the Shrine Imperial Session in Charlotte NC during the first week of July. Following that, Kaaba is responsible for leading the parade and providing hospitality at the Shrine Bowl in Cedar Falls this year. There will be an opportunity to meet the players, cheerleaders and patients at the UNI Dome on Friday morning at 10am and a banquet later that evening. The parade starts at 9:30am on Saturday morning and will wind its way through the streets of downtown Cedar Falls. After which, we will retire to a local park for a picnic, also provided by Kaaba. Saturday is Game Day! The doors open at the UNI Dome at 2pm and the game starts at 4pm. We plan to open the hospitality suite on Friday, July 21th. If you can make it, we would love to see you in Cedar Falls later in July enjoy the hospitality and most of all enjoy the Shrine Bowl Game. These high school football players and cheerleaders have put a lot of work into making this year's Shrine Bowl a success. Let's come out to support them and help raise money for our Shriners Hospitals and our local Temple Transportation Funds.

This year's CSSA ceremonial will be held in Omaha Nebraska. It will start on the 30th of August and run through the 2nd of September. The parade will be on the morning of September 2nd but there will be many other activities in the days leading up to the parade. I know that the Team Kaaba Hammer Heads plan to participate in the competition again this year. I would encourage everybody to come out and watch them compete with shrine units from other temples within our Central States Shrine Association area. Stick around for the parade on Saturday morning, it will be an opportunity to meet old friends and see some of the innovative parade units created by our neighboring Temples.

Although I mentioned that our Temple is dark for the summer, the office staff is still at the Temple during regular business hours. In addition, I am usually at the Temple for a few hours every Monday and Wednesday morning. If you're interested in chatting and sharing a cup of coffee come on over, we might even have Donuts.

Once again thank you for all you do. Kaaba Shriners could not exist without the efforts of all our Nobles.

Illustrious Sir Monte L. Harris

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CHEIF RABBAN

Greetings Noble and Ladies.

Hi everyone, time is flying by, parade season is in full swing, and many events are coming up. I'm excited and looking forward to going to Imperial the first week of July with my lady Elisa. We have several other events coming up like Shrine bowl which we are hosting this year, I'm looking forward to being involved as much as I can to support Illustrious Sir Monte, should be a great time. In August there is CSSA in Omaha. There are still lots of parades coming up hope to see you there. Don't forget to get your raffle tickets for the sportsman's raffle. I hope everyone is having a great summer before you know it fall will be here. I hope to have a full report on my Imperial trip next issue.

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ORIENTAL GUIDE

Greetings Noble and Ladies,

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer so far, Since taking office I have attended the Oriental Guide School in Tampa this past March, And came away with some new ideas to help recruit new Nobles and keep existing nobles engaged in our temple. I have been very active with parades and events with Team Kaaba, and trying to get to as many other units and clubs to meet as many of you as I can and hear your ideas.

With that being said please feel free to call or e-mail me with any ideas or problems I would love to hear from you.

Oriental Guide Merle McClain

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**NEXT KAABAGRAM WILL BE PUBLISHED
OCTOBER 2023**

**MUST HAVE ARTICLES BY
SEPTEMBER 20, 2023**

EMAIL TO: kathy@kaabashrine.net

YES....there is ONE!

"BLACKHAWK SHRINE CLUB of the QC"

There is only ONE Shrine Club in the Quad Cities?

WHEN do they meet?.....the second Thursday evening of each month, about 5:30pm.

WHERE do they meet.....the Welcome Inn Restaurant, 118 West 10th Ave., Milan, IL., (across the avenue from Hy Vee, on Illinois Route 67). Order off the menu (they have a Senior Menu and a bar).

WHAT do they do.....our door is open to all of the Nobles and their Ladies in the QC, who want to meet socially, fellowship with others and enjoy a program.

IS THERE A "HOOK"?.....Sure, annual dues of \$15.00 and usually a 50/50 drawing after the meal. Currently, there is no set fund raising activity.

HOW DO I MAKE CONTACT?.....Reservations are made one week ahead of the meeting date.

Email: kaaba2009@yahoo.com or call: 309-738-3296, with your name and number attending (so seating can be confirmed) or any questions you may have for your decision process.

TRY US, YOU MAY FIND YOU LIKE THE GROUP!

Things to do TODAY!



Write a prospect



Phone a prospect



Call on a prospect



Mail in a petition

MEMBERSHIP STATUS

Membership Status as of: 6-22-2023

January 1, 2023 668

Current Year to Date:

Expired 15

Associate Mbr Dropped

Demits

Suspensions

Resigned

TOTAL LOSS: 15

Created 9

Affiliations

Associations 1

****Does NOT add to membership gain****

Restored 2

TOTAL GAIN: 11

NET GAIN / LOSS: -4

GAIN / LOSS % -0.60%

Membership Year to Date: 664

Parade Season is Here

With the warm to hot season brings us parade season. Since the beginning of May, Kaaba's Parade Units have been busy making kids of all ages happy seeing strange men wearing their little red fezzes. May kicked off the parade season at Amana Colony for their Maifest Parade and ended with different parades for Memorial Day weekend. During June we had parades spread out across Eastern Iowa to East-Central Iowa covering towns such as Blue Grass, Birmingham, Washington, Fairfield, Riverside, and Atalissa. At these parades people saw the Leapin Lena, the Crazy Ford, the Jeep, Hillbillies, the Ragtops, the Hammerheads, Pedicabs, the Firefighters, and we cannot forget the DIVAN. With all these different vehicles getting together you would easily hear noises and laughter from the kids along the parade route. After some of the parades there was some good friendly hospitality served to the participants. A big thank you needs to go out to all who put on those hospitalities.

During the rest of the parade season up until September, looks like every weekend there is a parade going on somewhere through Kaaba land where the different parade until will be participating in. We cannot forget two big parades where we will be seeing elements from multiple Temples participating in. They are the Iowa Shrine in July and the CSSA Parade at the beginning of September.

Just remember to have fun while parading and safe.

Respectfully submitted,

Sam Burnett
Team Kaaba





KAABA SHRINE

LEGION of HONOR UNIT

*** Social: 5:30 pm Dinner/Meeting: 6:00 pm ***

Requirements to be a member of the Kaaba Legion of Honor Unit

Need to be a Noble in good standing

Be a Military Veteran

Interested Nobles/Veterans are welcome. We honor ourselves as Veterans supporting our hospitals and helping the Kids.

Responsibilities: Present Colors at Kaaba meetings, Iowa Shrine Bowl, Masonic functions and other events. Participate in parades and compete with other Shrine Legion of Honor Unit drill Teams at CSSA (Central States Shrine Association).

2023 OFFICERS

Commander	James Williams
1 st Lieutenant Commander	Ken Winfield
2nd Lieutenant Commander	Jose Lao
Adjutant	Sam Burnett
Finance Officer	Monte Harris

2023 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

21 January	Monthly Meeting/ Installation of Officers	Davenport Masonic Center
18 February	Monthly Meeting	Luli's Restaurant, Milan IL
18 March	Monthly Meeting	Riverfront Grill, Rock Island IL
23-26 March	CSSA LOH Mid-Winter Meeting	Omaha NE
15 April	Monthly Meeting	Muscatine Family Restaurant, Muscatine IA
20 May	Monthly Meeting	Luli's Restaurant, Milan IL
17 June	Monthly Meeting	Riverfront Grill, Rock Island IL
15 July	Monthly Meeting	Luli's Restaurant, Milan IL
20-22 July	Iowa Shrine Bowl	Cedar Falls IA
19 August	Monthly Meeting	Riverfront Grill, Rock Island IL
31 August-2 September	CSSA Ceremonial	Omaha NE
16 September	Monthly Meeting	Davenport Masonic Center
21 October	Monthly Meeting	Riverfront Grill, Rock Island IL
11 November	Veteran's Day Parade	Davenport IA
18 November	Monthly Meeting	Luli's Restaurant, Milan IL
16 December	Monthly Meeting	Riverfront Grill, Rock Island IL

Monthly Meeting

*** Social: 5:30 pm Dinner/Meeting: 6:00 pm ***

Legion of Honor

During the first half of the year the Legion of Honor have been busy supporting the Temple from Presenting the Colors at the beginning of the Stated Meetings and during the Davenport Iowa Shrine Bowl Recognition Day, to aiding the Temple during its Fish Fry Dinners. Also, some of the members of Kaaba's Legion of Honor have been working with El Kahir is establishing a Legion of Honor Unit with their Temple.

Currently, members of the Legion of Honor is preparing to provide the Color Guard for the Iowa Shrine Bowl Parade and for the Iowa Shrine Bowl Football Game in July. We will also be sending a delegation to the Central States Shriners Association (CSSA) Convention to attend the CSSA Legion of Honor portion of the convention being held in Omaha.

Recently the members of the Legion of Honor have approved amending their by-laws to allow Shriners who are First Responders to become Associate Members of the Legion of Honor. If anyone who is or was a First Responder and would like to join the Legion of Honor, either contact one of the Officers or the Temple Office.

Respectfully submitted,

Sam Burnett
CSSALOH 3rd LT Commander
Kaaba LOH Adjutant

BIRMINGHAM HOMECOMING



Ottumwa Shrine Donation to the Kaaba Shrine Transportation



The Black Camel



Honoring those who have gone before us

"In Memory of Our Departed Brother Nobles"

*When Allah calls, then our friends obey and fold their tents and steal away.
To the land where the crystal waters flow, where the Beautiful Palms of Allah grow.
Life is a story in volumes three, the past, the present, the yet to be.
The first we've written and laid away, the second we're reading day by day,
The third and last of the volumes three, is locked from sight - God keepeth the key.*



Russell E. Sparks May 4, 2023

Russell E. Sparks, 6325 Stone River Rd., Bradenton, Florida, formerly of Coal Valley, Illinois, died Thursday, May 4, 2023, at Manatee Memorial Hospital, Bradenton. Russ belonged to Eureka Lodge #69, AF & AM, Milan, since 1949, and a 70-plus year member of both Scottish Rite Bodies, Valley of Moline, and Kaaba Shriners in Davenport. Russ is survived by his beloved wife of nearly 70 years, Arlene



Raymond "Wayne" Stanley May 21, 2023

Raymond "Wayne" Stanley, 2093 Carter Rd Dubuque, IA died Sunday, May 21, 2023, at the Luther Manor in Dubuque. Per Wayne's wishes there will be no formal services. There will be a Celebration of Life held at a later date. He enjoyed making popcorn at the Dubuque County Fair. Wayne was a 32nd Degree Mason and was very active in the Shrine, Grotto, Knights Templar, York Rite, Dubuque Lodge #3, and Eastern Star. For many years he served as an adult advisor to Allen Chapter of DeMolay and was a Rainbow Dad for the Bellevue-Dubuque Chapter of Rainbow Girls. Survivors include his wife, Judy Stanley.



Peter A. Bell June 18, 2023

Peter A. Bell, Washington, Iowa, died Sunday, June 18, 2023, at Halcyon House following a short illness. He was active in the Washington Masonic Lodge Post 26 and the KAABA Shrine. As a Shriner, Pete participated in many local parades. Pete was preceded in death by his wife Carol in 2022



Charles "Chod" "Charlie" Lloyd Cremer June 13, 2023

Charles Lloyd Cremer, P.O. BOX 201, AGENCY, IA 52530 past away on June 13, 2023 was known affectionately as Chod or Charlie. Chod's list of community contributions includes 57 years of dedication to the Masonic Fraternity. He served twice as Worshipful Master for Emulation Lodge #255 in Clinton, Iowa, was a member of Camanche Lodge #60 in Camanche, Iowa, and served as four-time Worshipful Master at Olive Branch Lodge #21 in Agency, Iowa. He received his Masonic Instructor Certificate in 1989 and his District Lecturer Certificate in 1991. He was the 2022 recipient of the T.S. Parvin Award at the 178th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Iowa A.F. and A.M. for his contributions to masonry and his community. He is survived by his loving wife Joan Cremer

SHRINER OF THE YEAR

YEAR

2022

DAVID NUNN

& HIS WIFE

JODY NUNN

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**Quilts donated to
Children's Hospital
by the Bettendorf
Quilters Club**



7/3	George T Nickolas	Davenport IA 52806	7/28	Sammy E Stam	Ottumwa IA 52501
7/3	James E Fleener	Ottumwa IA 52501	7/29	James L Amlong	Iowa City IA 52240
7/3	Chad D Wyancko	ELDRIDGE IA 52748	7/30	Allan L Kluever	Eldridge IA 52748
7/3	Sean M Nelson	Marion IA 52302	7/30	James M Lowe	Columbus Jct. IA 52738
7/5	Paul L Grunder	Moscow IA 52761	7/30	Bruce A Boyler	Bettendorf IA 52722
7/6	Shawn A Greeley	Morrison IL 61270	7/30	Justin L Davison	Batavia IA 52533
7/6	Klayton K Kirkpatrick	Ottumwa IA 52501	7/31	Gary L Hansen	Moline IL 61265
7/7	Freddie K Williams	Litchfield Park AZ 85340	8/1	Ronald L Oostendorp	Muscatine IA 52761
7/7	Alfred N Bradley	Taylor Ridge IL 61284	8/1	Ronald D Miller	Burlington IA 52601
7/7	Donald D Arendt	Oskaloosa IA 52577	8/1	Doug Volrath	Camanche IA 52730
7/7	David J Jindrich	Orange Beach AL 36561	8/1	Keith P Lawrence	Columbus Jct. IA 52738
7/7	David L Downs	Carbon Cliff IL 61239	8/2	Ronald J Mays	Willoughby OH 44094
7/8	Charles H North	Jacksonville AR 72076	8/4	Anthony W Lauber	Columbus Jct, IA 52738
7/8	Michael J Welch	Moline IL 61265	8/5	Albert A Bengtson	Muscatine IA 52761
7/8	Richard W Koerner	Davenport IA 52803	8/6	Thomas D Arras	Coralville IA 52241
7/9	Cecil L Peterson	Davenport IA 52807	8/6	Daniel L Sedore	Bloomfield IA 52537
7/9	Darrell Downing	Drakesville IA 52552	8/6	Phillip R Vinson	Germantown MD 20874
7/12	John L Pugh	Columbus Jet IA 52738	8/7	William E Kuntz	Sigourney IA 52591
7/14	David M Tandy	Winfield IA 52659	8/7	Mark A Pugh	Columbus Jct IA 52738
7/14	Michael A LaPoint	Ottumwa IA 52501	8/8	Richard T Feddersen	Iowa City IA 52246
7/16	Scott Manon	Erie IL 61250	8/8	Daniel J Schurr	Winfield IA 52659
7/16	Daniel J Brice	Oskaloosa IA 52577	8/9	Dennis A Bean	Ainsworth IA 52201
7/17	Kristofer K Kinsey	Iowa City IA 52245	8/10	Eugene E Tschopp	Coal Valley IL 61240
7/18	Donald E Wolfskill	Burlington IA 52601	8/10	Miles E Sabin	Pella IA 50219
7/18	James Greer	Ottumwa IA 52501	8/11	Robert K Waters	Mount Pleasant IA 52641
7/19	William N Elliott	Pella IA 50219	8/11	David J Nunn	Cleveland IL 61241
7/19	Alvin K Smith	Morrison IL 61270	8/12	Louis J Iten	Davie FL 33330
7/19	Marvin R Whittaker	Orion IL 61273	8/12	Robert D Bennett	Conesville IA 52739
7/20	Gary K Miller	Winfield IA 52659	8/14	Benny J Ralfs	Davenport IA 52806
7/20	Robert E Breckenridge II	Ottumwa IA 52501	8/14	Glenn T Thompson	Decatur AL 35603
7/20	Dale R Turner II	Tipton IA 52772	8/14	David L Batman	Oskaloosa IA 52577
7/21	Frank L Patterson	West Chester IA 52359	8/14	Larry L Klemme	Le Claire IA 52753
7/22	Elmer L Elliott	Coal Valley IL 61240	8/14	Dale A Burton II	Blue Grass IA 52726
7/22	Michael J O'Sullivan	Eddyville IA 52553	8/15	Gayland L Burge	Merrillan WI 54754
7/22	Robert D Pearson	Moline IL 61265	8/16	William L Rich	Maquoketa IA 52060
7/23	Richard E Dulaney	Centerville IA 52544	8/16	Dennis L Tompkins	Columbus Jct. IA 52738
7/23	Warren D Pruis	Morrison IL 61270	8/16	Kendig K Kneen	Ottumwa IA 52501
7/24	George R Thuenen	Bettendorf IA 52722	8/16	Harold R Whitlow	Conesville IA 52739
7/25	Jimmy B Decker	Bettendorf IA 52722	8/16	Darrin J Jeffrey	Batavia IA 52533
7/25	Benjamin C Moser	Keokuk IA 52632	8/16	Thomas J VanAuken	Fredonia IA 52738
7/25	Michael D Reschly, P.P.	Olds IA 52647	8/17	Robert E Fulton	Davenport IA 52803
7/26	Perry T Murry	Oskaloosa IA 52577	8/17	Eugene E Peters II	Fremont IA 52561
7/27	Reginald L Hughell P.P.	Batavia IA 52533	8/19	Karl H Boegel Jr.	Clinton IA 52732

BIRTHDAYS CONTINUED

8/19	Tony J Risley	Warrenton MO 63383	9/18	Gary Hughes	Iowa City IA 52244
8/19	Joesph B Ries	Bellevue IA 52031	9/18	Scott W Perry	Ottumwa IA 52501
8/21	Don H Kolsrud	Iowa City IA 52240	9/19	Thomas W Keck	Agency IA 52530
8/21	Duane G Johnson	Winfield IA 52659	9/19	Darin D Mapel	Columbus Jct IA 52738
8/22	Ronald D Potts	Eldon IA 52554	9/20	Brian J Neff	Coal Valley IL 61240
8/22	Mark A Whetsone	Fort Madison IA 52627	9/21	Richard W Cornick	Mount Pleasant IA 52641
8/22	Derek Fuller	Davenport IA 52807	9/21	Warren Woepking	Riverside IA 52327
8/23	Joseph M Clements	Tucson AZ 85705	9/21	Michael J Haney	East Moline IL 61244
8/23	Steven C Clarke	Clinton IA 52732	9/21	Micah R Hills	Columbus City IA 52737
8/24	Don E Siegmund	Bradenton FL 34209	9/22	Keeley J Brewington	Springville IA 52336
8/24	Martin G Long	East Moline IL 61244	9/23	Robert E Christensen	Marshalltown IA 50158
8/27	William F Nelson	Silvis IL 61282	9/23	A E Posey	Moline IL 61265
8/27	David E Mc Call	Bloomfield IA 52537	9/24	Mark A Steffen	Bettendorf IA 52722
8/27	Vinson D Goodpaster	East Moline IL 61244	9/24	Wayne L Martin	Ottumwa IA 52501
8/27	James C Williams	Bettendorf IA 52722	9/25	Meredith M Irvin	Davenport IA 52809
8/28	James J Smith	Eldridge IA 52748	9/25	Brian E Wilson	Rock Falls IL 61071
8/28	John W Carruthers	Rock Island IL 61201	9/26	Charles L Cremer	Agency IA 52530-0201
8/28	Michael M Vaupel	Muscatine IA 52761	9/27	Larry D Reiss	Erie IL 61250
8/28	James E Davies	Rock Island IL 61201	9/27	Timothy L Gray	Blue Grass IA 52726
8/29	Charles L Mick	Oskaloosa IA 52577	9/28	Mark S Fensterbusch	Bettendorf IA 52722
8/29	Juan Rodriguez	Moline IL 61265	9/28	Robert M Green	Dubuque IA 52003
8/30	William M Reece Jr.	Ottumwa IA 52501	9/28	Eugene J Manley	Sigourney IA 52591
8/31	Lysle R Hinkhouse	Wilton IA 52778	9/29	Floyd Welch	Burlington IA 52601
8/31	Mark A Merringer	Ottumwa IA 52501	9/29	Ellis J Roberts Jr.	Mission TX 78572
9/1	Gary R Carlson	Colona IL 61241	9/30	John W Wheeler	Davenport IA 52805
9/2	W. B Carstensen	Clinton IA 52732	10/1	Roy E Porter	Davenport IA 52806
9/2	Thomas Hansen	Davenport IA 52806	10/1	Thomas F Hodges Sr.	Milan IL 61264
9/4	Quentin J Harbison	Ollie IA 52576	10/1	Andrew D White	Columbus Jct IA 52738
9/4	John W Haney	Chicago IL 60618	10/2	Jerry Moehr	Goose Lake IA 52750
9/5	Dennis M Zahrt	Bettendorf IA 52722	10/2	Mitchell K Loyd	Winfield IA 52659
9/6	LeRoy H Carlson	Viola IL 61486	10/3	Phillip W Haan	Bettendorf IA 52722
9/7	Robert C Cummings	O'Fallon IL 62269	10/3	Richard D Collier Jr.	Columbus Jct IA 52738
9/7	Gary Tennis	Ottumwa IA 52501	10/4	Myron A Mc Creedy P.P.	Champaign IL 61822
9/7	Shaun Donahue	Clarence IA 52216	10/4	Ronald D Garrison	Clinton IA 52732
9/9	Dan L Dowling	Ottumwa IA 52501	10/5	Daniel G Peters	Winfield IA 52659
9/10	Sidney Jones	Davenport IA 52803	10/5	Darryl F Howe	Arena WI 53503
9/12	Monte L Harris	Bettendorf IA 52722	10/5	Glenn R Siders	North Liberty IA 52317
9/13	Charles T Williams	Iowa City IA 52246	10/5	Robert A Kessel	Fairfield IA 52556
9/13	Dick Wells	West Chester IA 52359	10/6	Sherman B Rudnick	Davenport IA 52807
9/13	Thomas R Sands	Wapello IA 52653	10/6	Dennis R Bell	West Liberty IA 52776
9/14	Joe A White	San Tan Valley AZ 85140	10/6	James M Carr	Muncie IN 47304
9/14	Robert G Davis	Columbus Jct IA 52738	10/7	John L Fraseur	West Lafayette IN 47906
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9/16	Lennie Etter	Keokuk IA 52632	10/9	Craig D Brown	Eldon IA 52554
9/16	Roger P Penrod	Eldon IA 52554	10/10	Steven L Johnson	Clinton IA 52732
9/18	Clarence M Ryker Jr.	East Moline IL 61244	10/11	Harold G Reed	Richland IA 52585

KAABA HOSPITAL NEWS

The count on the hospital trips the April, May& June

APRIL, Kaaba transported 0 patients to Chicago and 2 patient that went up on their own to Chicago
1 patient went to St Louis on their own and 1 trip for Chicago was rescheduled.

MAY: Kaaba transported 1 patients to Chicago and 1 Patient to the St. St Louis
and 1 patient went on their own to Chicago, went on their own to St. Louis and 1 to Ohio on their own.

JUNE: Kaaba transported 3 patients to Chicago and 1 trip to ST Louis

If the patient have not requested that we help with transportation we do not receive any information on them.

So there maybe patients in the area that we have no recorded of.

THANKS to the drivers that have driven these patients:

Jim Goetsch, James Johnson, Jose Lao, Dicky Newcomb, Wayne Martin, and Harold Whitlow

Give the office 563-386-2526 a call if you would be interested in driving patients to the Shriners Hospitals.

KAABA SHRINERS

SPORTSMAN'S GIVEAWAY RAFFLE

Nobles,

As you know the Kaaba Sportsman Raffle will be held on Saturday October 28, 2023. Another way that we raise money during the evening is to have a General Raffle of various door prizes.

I am once again asking all of the Clubs and Units to please donate cash or an item for the raffle. I will purchase an item and that Club or Unit or persons will be recognized for donating it. This not only allows the Club and Units or persons to be part of the raffle but will give them some recognition. This has worked real well the in the past years.

I would like to have the item or money by at least October 2, 2023 so we can get the items purchased. If you have any ideas for improving the Raffle I would appreciate it if you would let me know. I thank you for your help and as always "Thank You" for all that you do for "OUR KIDS" and KAABA Shrine.

Respectfully Yours

William Juhl

William "Bill" Juhl PPx2

IMPROVING OUR CARE!

Shriners Children's Chicago hosts annual research conference at Georgia Tech

Medical staff, researchers, and administration from the Chicago hospital traveled to Atlanta recently for "State of Research: Special Emphasis on Muscle and Bone Health." Fourteen locations and engineers from Georgia Tech gathered for a collaboration between healthcare and engineering.

The work, focusing on conditions that are common at Shriners Children's such as cerebral palsy, arthrogyrosis, sports injuries and prosthetics, involves the growing fields of precision medicine and data analysis and interpretation, with an overall goal to ultimately improve the care provided for children everywhere. Five to six multi-center research grant proposals will be initiated from this meeting.

We're here to provide the most AMAZING CARE anywhere for every child with orthopedic needs!



WASHINGTON RIDICULOUS PARADE



RECORDER'S CORNER

Greetings Noble's, Clubs & Units:

WOW!!!

What a hot start to summer. Just wish my lawn had a little more water. The bright side is I haven't had to mow.

Parade season is now in full swing with parades almost every weekend. Just a reminder to all you Noble's that if you haven't paid your dues up to date you are not allowed to participate in any parade or club/unit event. Sorry but that are the by-laws.

Hey clubs & units, we would LOVE to hear from you on what's happening in your part of the woods. Submit an article so it can be put in the next Kaaba Gram. We would need the article NO LATER than Wednesday, September 20th.

One last thing, look at the membership status report here in the Kaaba Gram. At the time of this article we are only down 3 Noble's. This is fantastic for halfway through the year. But don't forget suspensions for non-payment of dues haven't be reported. If this was yearend, I would be dropping 29 Noble's. So I will probably by the next Kaaba Gram I will asking club & unit presidents and secretaries to help out with Noble's in your area.

Now that is enough for now.

Let's get out and parade, have fun and stay safe.

Roger Kadel PP

Board of Governors Shriners Children's Chicago

Thank you for letting me be your Chicago Hospital Board of Governors member for Kaaba Shrine. With the relaxing of the Hospital's masking mandate, the Board can now meet in person every other month, so Lady Mary and I go to Chicago. All other times we meet by teleconference. Kaaba also has Rick Koerner as an alternate Board representative. If you have questions about your Chicago Hospital, please contact either Rick or myself. We will do our best to get answers to your questions.

From January to the end of April 2023, the Shriners Children's Chicago location was busy. There were 418 implant surgeries and 55 of those were spinal. On-site Hospital visits were 5332 individuals with 176 being admissions and 173 being discharges. The average length of stay was 6.19 days per patient. Implant items, (especially spine) is the fastest growing surgical cost within the hospital budget.

Chicago performed their first Scoliosis Tethering spine operation on April 18, 2023 with the help of Philadelphia Hospital surgeons that have perfected this procedure. All went well and more will be done in the future. This will make Chicago a regional spine center for Shriners Children's.

Rehabilitation (Physical, Occupational and Speech) saw 5577 patients during that same time period. Physical Rehabilitation is the largest user of the Rehabilitation Department because of sport injuries to young individuals.

Telehealth visits were down from the beginning of the year, so more usage of this service is needed. The 4th operating room is being utilized, but only two days a week at the present time. The facility continues to require masks for everyone in the clinic area, but masks are not required in the rest of the hospital.

Requests have been sent out for bids to replace the lobby doors and have them comply with handicap accessibility. Long-lead time is expected, due to material availability and updated costs. The cost of maintaining the building is expensive due in part to the age of the building and some of the work must be accomplished after hospital operation hours. Boiler repair is an ongoing concern because of the requirement to have steam pressure in every operating room along with chill water.

Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) and Computer Tomography (CT) Imaging at Shriners Children's Chicago is expected to cost 2.5 million dollars over a 3-year timeline. These services will help in the examination and diagnostic services for our patients. Please follow Chicago on social media and share with others.

Respectively submitted,

Thomas F Hodges PP

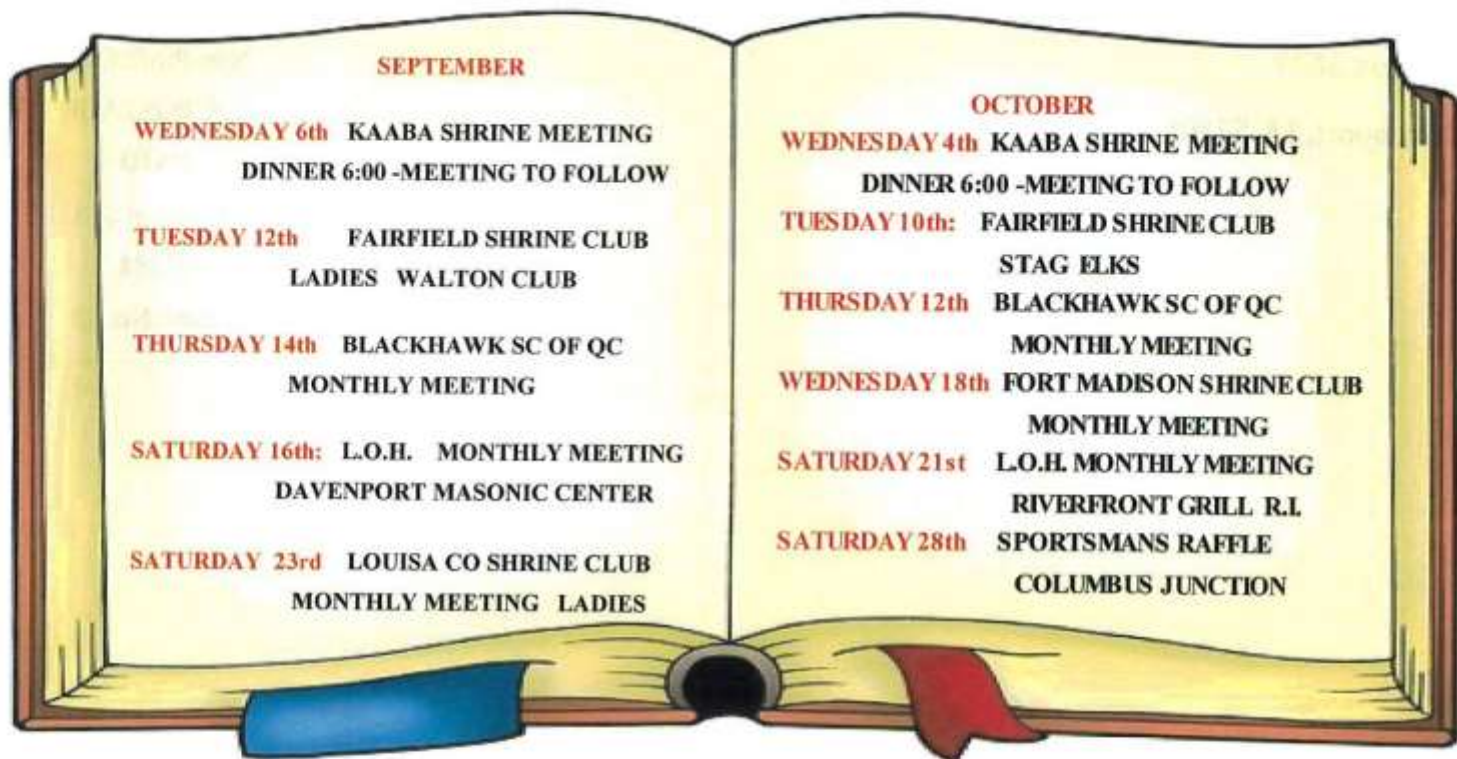
Board of Governors

Shriners Children's Chicago

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16	17	18	19 FORT MADISON SHRINE CLUB	20	21	22 IOWA SHRINE BOWL
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August

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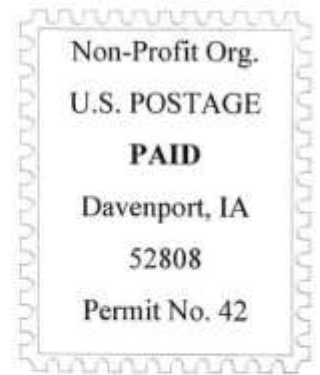
All Masonic Picnic



85 attended plus 20 kids. Plans in the works for next year.



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2023

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INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

ARTICLES FOR KAABAGRAM ARE DUE

STATED MEETING DINNER 6:00- MEETING 7:00