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AND THE
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O'Shanter**
105 S. 25th St., Lincoln

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Tavern**
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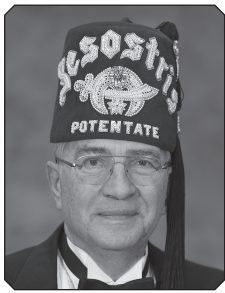
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Sesostriis Snapshot

— WITH YOUR 2025 —

POTENTATE

Dear Nobles, Ladies, and Friends,

Summer is upon us, and with it comes the excitement and energy of our favorite time of year. The sun is shining, the days are longer, and our calendars are filled with opportunities to celebrate the spirit of fellowship and fun that defines who we are.

One of the true highlights of the season is parades. Whether we're marching with pride, driving our signature units, or waving to families along the streets, each parade is a chance to show our communities the joy and purpose of being a Shriner. I want to thank all of our Nobles and volunteers who help bring these events to life. Your dedication, creativity, and enthusiasm are what make our presence unforgettable.

These parades aren't just a spectacle—they're a symbol of our commitment to fun, philanthropy, and family. They remind the public of our mission and invite others to learn more about who we are and what we do.

As we travel to nearby communities, picnics, and parades this summer, let's continue to show the world the heart and humor of our fraternity. Stay safe, stay hydrated, and above all—stay connected to each other.

***Let's make this summer
one to remember!***

Fraternally yours,

Mike Berger

Illustrious Potentate,
Sesostriis



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Get the WORD OUT.

Be a part of the FEZtivities!

Let us know what your club/unit is up to by submitting your info to this newsletter!

If you attend a Shrine event and take photos, feel free to send them in for inclusion.

Materials for the next issue are due by **July 31**.

Email items to: **feztivities@hotmail.com**



►UPCOMING FEZTIVITIES DEADLINES

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER ► JULY 31

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER ► SEPTEMBER 30

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2026 ► NOVEMBER 30

MARCH/APRIL 2026 ► JANUARY 31

MAY/JUNE 2026 ► MARCH 31



Greetings from the First Lady

Roll out those Lazy, Hazy, Crazy Days of Summer!

Fourth of July picnics and parades, band concerts in the park and parades, heritage festivals in the city and parades, times reconnecting with family and friends and parades...

Yes, everything goes well with a parade. Don't miss out, participate in and attend the parades Sesostris has on the schedule this summer!

Our participation and support for the parades in our area, is one of the best ways we have of letting people know who we are. Whether you are heading down the parade route with your unit, or standing on the curb cheering, you are representing Sesostris Shrine.

Let the Good Times Roll!

As the end of summer rolls around to August, we find ourselves just a hop, skip and a jump from heading to Des Moines for the annual CSSA Session. The dates for this year's Session are August 28, 29 and 30.

Here again, we have the opportunity for *fun* and *fellowship*, not only with our members, but with the members of our Sister Temples.

We can watch our units as they perform and compete in their respective competitions, we can share and relax in our fantastic Hospitality Room, take in the sights and entertainment that Des Moines has to offer, and support the units from all of the Temples at the parade on Saturday.

Actually, I get excited just thinking about it!

Yes, the days of summer are lazy, hazy, and crazy, and they go by very quickly.

Come along and join in the fun!

Kathy Bergen

First Lady of Sesostris Shrine





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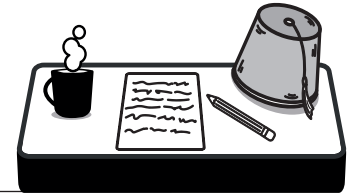


**SESOSTRIS SHRINE
MEMBER PETITION**



**GRAND LODGE
MEMBER PETITION**

From the Recorder's Desk



Greetings Nobles,

On May 10, the Sesostris Shriners gathered at the Scottish Rite Center for a heartfelt and memorable Spring Ceremonial, held in honor of the late Illustrious Sir Dan Roth. The event began with the ceremonial itself, followed by a lively club and unit meet-and-greet session. During this time, Nobles shared stories and highlighted the camaraderie and fun that come with being part of their respective clubs and units.

The evening continued with a special dinner, where we were privileged to welcome Lady Donna Roth and her family as honored guests. Illustrious Sir Steve Brunken delivered a moving tribute, reflecting on the many achievements, vision, and dedicated service of Ill. Sir Dan Roth to the Sesostris Temple. Lady Donna also shared a few heartfelt words, making the evening even more meaningful.

We are proud to introduce and extend a warm welcome to our six newest Nobles, who participated in the ceremonial: **David Bruns**, Top Line Signer: Jim Mahaffey. **Kenneth Jensby**, Top Line Signer: Jim Mahaffey. **James Sharpe**, Top Line Signer: Bob Wilbur. **Steven DeVore**, Top Line Signer: Ed Bennett. **David Nolte**, Top Line Signer: Doc Wyatt. **Patrick Wolf**, Top Line Signer: Jeffrey Cochran. We celebrate their initiation and look forward to the energy and enthusiasm they bring to our Shrine family. Welcome, Nobles!

We extend our sincere gratitude to everyone who attended and contributed to the success of the 2025 Spring Ceremonial. Your presence and support made the event truly special. A special note of appreciation goes to Noble Ceremonial Master Jim Mahaffey and his Lady Tracy for their outstanding coordination and dedication in organizing this memorable occasion.

CSSA 2025, the Central States Shrine Association will be held from August 28 to August 31, 2025, and is proudly hosted by ZA-GA-ZIG Shriners in Des Moines, Iowa. This year's theme is: "Destination 515—Celebrating 125 in 2025."

The ZA-GA-ZIG Shriners are excited to invite all Sesostris nobles and their ladies to register for CSSA 2025, where unforgettable experiences, enriching activities, and lasting memories await. (See the CSSA registration form and hotel information in this edition of FEZtivities). To register, nobles are encouraged to use the convenient online form at: **zagazigshrine.org/cssa-2025**

The base registration fee is \$50.00, which grants access to many events and opportunities throughout the CSSA weekend. Please note that some activities may require additional fees. We kindly ask each noble to complete their registration online and submit payment to Antonia in the Sesostris Shrine Center Office. We will then consolidate and forward the final payment on your behalf, ensuring a smooth and coordinated registration process.

If you encounter any issues with the online form, don't worry—Antonia or the recorder at the Shrine Center Office are happy to assist. We can help complete your registration to ensure no one misses out on this exciting event.

See you in Des Moines!

Ken Johnson

Recorder



CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Saturday, July 12, 2025
1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Sesostris Shrine Center
1050 Saltillo Rd.
Roca, NE 68430

Send photos & Stories to:
jpigsley@woodsaiken.com
qpigsley54@gmail.com



5TH QUARTER TAILGATE SENOFF

Come and share stories and
memories!

Celebrate with
Scott's favorites:
open bar & tailgate food!

Doors open at 1:30 p.m.
Sharing & Toasting at 2 p.m.

Lodge Ambassadors Wanted

Do you attend your Blue Lodge regularly (or would like to)? Would you like to stand up in your Blue Lodge and make Shrine announcements and presentations? Then you are exactly what we are looking for!

The Shrine Ambassador receives a name badge indicating his ambassadorship to be worn at Lodge and Shrine meetings and events. An email will be sent to the Ambassador the last week of the month listing Sesostris Shrine meetings and events for the upcoming month. These "talking points" are to be brought up at your Lodge business meetings. You will be able to present the Potentate's congratulatory letter and package to newly raised Master Masons.

All you need to do to sign up is call or email the Nobles below with the following information: Your name, phone number, email address, and Lodge name and number.

Noble Richard Wyatt
402-613-7565
richardwyttne@gmail.com

Noble Mike Price
402-770-1456
bigdaddyf72@gmail.com



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JULY 3, 4 & 5



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★ **PARADE AT 10 A.M. ON JULY 4** ★



VENDORS

REGISTER AT: FairburyFleaMarket.com

EMAIL: fairburyfleamarket@gmail.com

VENDOR SET-UP: Starts July 2, 2025

**REQUIRED CITY LICENSE FOR VENDORS HAS BEEN
 PAID BY THE PIONEERS SHRINE CLUB.**



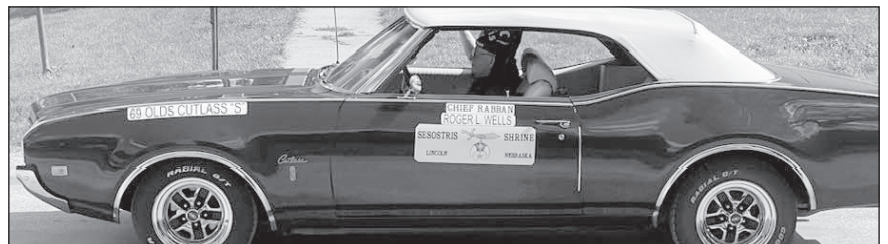
NOTICE:

**The City Park must
 be vacated by
 10 a.m. on Sunday,
 July 6, 2025
 per city ordinance
 and to allow our
 clean-up crew to
 complete their job.**

*Payments are not deductible as charitable contributions.
 Proceeds are for the benefit of Sesostriis Shriners
 Pioneer Shrine Club activities.*

PALMYRA PARADE

MAY 31, 2025



2025 PARADE SCHEDULE

Friday, July 4	10 AM	FAIRBURY PARADE – Fairbury	5th & B (across RR track)
Saturday, July 5	7 PM	DEWITT DAYS PARADE – DeWitt	SW part of town
Saturday, July 12	6 PM	CERESCO DAYS PARADE – Ceresco	1st & 2nd Spruce St.
Saturday, July 19	10 AM	STIR-UP DAYS – Ashland	23rd & Silver St.
Saturday, Aug. 3	2 PM	CZECH FESTIVAL – Wilber	Legion Park (So. edge of town, Hwy 103)
Saturday, Aug. 16	4 PM	FUN DAYS PARADE – Milford	4th & F St. (by high school)
Saturday, Sept. 13	11 AM	HUMBOLDT PARADE – Humboldt	4th & Hwy 105



The past few months were busy for the Shrine and the Cruis'n Classics. Members have helped out at the Shrine Bowl, sold onions, sold nuts and attended parades. Our Don & Millie's nights have been wonderful evenings and with the warmer weather, we hope to see more classic vehicles attending the event.

On Saturday, May 3, a few of the members had their vehicles on display at the All Masonic Reunion in Ashland. Then a few days later on Friday, May 9, the Cruis'n Classics were invited to the Inland Truck Parts Open House in Lincoln. Members took their vehicles and enjoyed the day with good food and social time with their fellow Shriners and the public.

On Sunday, July 27, the Cruis'n Classics will be holding its annual Auto Show. Please come out and see all the cars, trucks and motorcycles. Any non Cruis'n Classics member can participate in the show, so bring out your vehicles and motorcycles. We do have a non-judged class, where you can just show your entry off and not compete for a trophy. So get a registration form from the Cruis'n Classics today.

A great big thank you to all the members who helped with all of the above events. Until next time, happy cruis'n!

Jeff Eggerling

2025 Cruis'n Classics Secretary

GOODY BAGS FOR FIRST 100 ENTRIES &
DASH PLAQUES FOR THE FIRST 150 ENTRIES
MUSIC, FOOD, RAFFLES, T-SHIRTS AND FUN FOR ALL AGES.



SUNDAY, JULY 27, 2025

RAIN or SHINE @ SHRINE CENTER

Registration 8AM - 11AM

Show Time 11AM - 4PM • Awards 3:30 PM

40+ Judged Classes with Trophies
for 1ST, 2ND and 3RD place in each class
plus Best of Show & Specialty Trophies.

We also have a Non-Judged Class for people that just want to show their vehicle off, and not compete for trophies.

PRE-ENTRY \$15

Deadline -Friday, July 18th

DAY OF SHOW \$20

For a registration form see a Cruis'n Classics Member or contact Randy Rutt 402-430-8201 or send an email to cruisncclassics@gmail.com.

(Cruis'n Classics members are non-participating.)

PAYMENTS ARE NOT DEDUCTIBLE AS CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS. PROCEEDS ARE FOR THE BENEFIT OF SESOSTRIS SHRINERS CRUIS'N CLASSICS ACTIVITIES.

ALPHAS MEETING

ATTENTION ALL NOBLES!

Alphas Unit Monthly Meeting Notice

— WHEN —

7:00 p.m., First Tuesday of Every Month

— WHERE —

Sesostris Shrine Center - Bar Area

This is a great opportunity to connect, discuss upcoming events, and strengthen our unit.

Ladies are welcome to attend. We look forward to seeing you there!

New Nobles are encouraged to attend and become part of the Alphas Unit.

JOIN US FOR ALPHA'S

F **FRIDAY** **A** **AFTER** **NOON** **C** **CLUB**

5:30 PM

July 11 + Aug 22 + Sept 12

**Sesostris Shrine Center
1050 Saltillo Road, Roca, Nebraska**

Enjoy an evening filled with fun, food, games, and fellowship!

Bring your friends and family for a great time at Alpha's FAC!

For more details, contact Noble Randy Case, rcaselincne@gmail.com



DAUGHTER'S OF THE NILE FUNDRAISER

FRIDAY, JULY 18
FIRST PITCH | 7:05PM

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NIGHTLY PROMOTIONS | POST-GAME FIREWORKS

Free T-Shirt Friday | Sponsored by Abante Marketing
Travel & Tourism Night | Sponsored by Visit Lincoln and Maly Marketing

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New Van Added to Road Runner Fleet!

We are thrilled to announce a fantastic addition to our fleet—a brand new van dedicated to transporting children to Shriners Children's Hospital! This exciting development marks a significant milestone in our ongoing commitment to providing safe and reliable transportation for the children and families we serve.

The new van is not just any vehicle; it is adorned with graphics that are fully compliant with Shriners International bylaws and Shriners Children's marketing standards. This ensures that our van not only stands out on the road but also proudly represents the values and mission of Shriners International and Shriners Children's.

This van will play a crucial role in our efforts to make hospital visits as smooth and stress-free as possible for the children and their families. We believe that every journey to Shriners Children's Hospital should be filled with hope and comfort, and this new van is a testament to that belief.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has supported us in making this dream a reality. Your generosity and dedication are the driving force behind our ability to continue providing exceptional care and support to those in need.

We invite you to join us in celebrating this wonderful addition to our fleet. Together, we can make a difference in the lives of many children and their families.

Thank you for your unwavering support!
Sesostriis Shrine Road Runners





REGISTRATION CLOSING ON AUGUST 7

Central States Shrine Association • Ceremonial Session • Des Moines, Iowa
 Tuesday, August 26, 2025 • Sunday, August 31, 2025 • Hosted by ZA-GA-ZIG Shriners

Noble's First Name _____ Noble's Last Name _____

Lady's Name _____

Club / Unit _____ Title _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Noble's Phone # _____ Lady's Phone # _____

Noble's email _____

Lady's email _____

REGISTRATION:

CSSA Noble/Lady Registration: \$50.00 per person.....**Number Attending** _____ \$ _____

Ladies Luncheon: \$40.00 per person.....**Number Attending** _____ \$ _____

2025 CSSA Parking Lot Party: \$20.00 per person.....**Number Attending** _____ \$ _____

Counterparts Dinner: \$40.00 per person.....**Number Attending** _____ \$ _____

Golf Tournament: \$75.00 per person.....**Number Attending** _____ \$ _____

Payment Information:

Make Checks Payable to **Sesostriis Shrine.**

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Please register online at:

zagazigshrine.org/cssa-2025

and make payment to Antonia at the Shrine Center Office.



You can scan this QR code to go directly to the online registration.

OR bring this completed form and payment to the Shrine Center Office.

Hotel Information:

Reservation deadline **August 1, 2025.**

Noble is responsible for own hotel reservation.

Aloft West Des Moines – Waukee

2848 Grand Prairie Parkway

Waukee IA 50263

(515) 412-0973

Group Name: Sesostriis Shrine Block

Rooms rates are available: Aug 25 – Aug 31

Check-in 3PM / Check-out Noon

1 King or 2 Queen Guest Rooms – \$129 per night

(breakfast NOT included, but 10% discount available at breakfast area)

WINAIR GOLF BENEFIT FOR SHRINE TRANSPORTATION JUNE 21, 2025

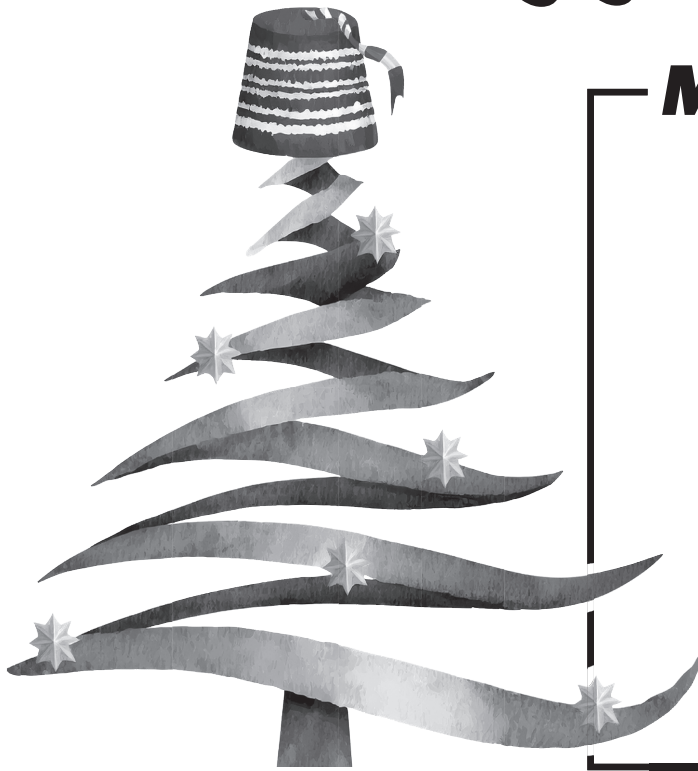
We had the honor to work in the Lincoln WinAir golf tournament for the fourth year. Shrine patient Emmy and family came out and to speak with our Hospital Coordinator Cindy Lehn.



BEATRICE PARADE JUNE 21, 2025



— ALL ABOUT THE —
2025 FEZTIVAL OF TREES



**MARK YOUR HOLIDAY
CALENDAR!**

November 22-29

(Closed on Thanksgiving Day)

HOURS: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. daily
(closing at 5:00 p.m. the last Saturday)

Sesostris Shrine Center
1050 Saltillo Road, Roca NE 68430

www.feztivaloftrees.org

Proceeds are for the benefit of Sesostris
and FEZtival of Trees activities and are not
deductible as charitable contributions.

**Our goal is to provide a magical community event
for the holidays that is fun and affordable for all ages.**

Guests get to visit Santa and his vintage sleigh, take photos, watch miniature trains,
enjoy holiday stories, and wander through a forest of beautifully decorated trees
and gifts at no additional charge.

Visitors can also fish for gifts at Prancer's Pond, write letters to Santa, pick gifts
from Santa's workshop, and enjoy delicious cookies, cocoa, hot cider, hot sandwiches,
and homemade soup at the Mistletoe Café (all reasonably priced).

Raffle tickets for a chance to win a fully decorated tree and all the gifts
on or around the tree are available for \$1.00 each or 125 tickets for \$100.

**Admission to the FEZtival of Trees is \$2.00 for persons 13 and older,
and FREE for persons 12 and younger when accompanied by an adult.
Tickets are available at the door.**

Drawings for tree winners start at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 29.

Winners will be immediately contacted by phone and do not need to be present to win.

Winners pick up their trees and gifts on Sunday, November 30 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.



— ALL ABOUT THE — 2025 FEZTIVAL OF TREES



VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

We will have opportunities to volunteer this summer and fall to get things ready to make sure that the FEZtival of Trees in November is a resounding success.

Rather than scheduling specific work dates in advance, this year we will be sending out an email link a couple of weeks in advance to let you know what we are doing and when and how many folks we think will be needed for each project. This can also be a fun, opportunity to socialize. For new Shriners and their ladies, it's an excellent opportunity to meet people and see what we are all about.

Although we have email addresses on file from those who have participated in the past, please be sure to let us know:

- a)** if your email address has changed
- b)** if you (or your lady) have not helped in the past but would like to try it, or
- c)** send us the email address (and full name) of friends or family that might want to join in.

We will be using a different service this year to help with the scheduling. To learn more about the opportunities, come to the FEZtival of Trees Kick-Off FAC on July 25 or contact feztival.info@gmail.com.



NEW NOBLES AND LADIES!

IF YOU ARE LOOKING FOR A WAY TO GET INVOLVED WITH SESOSTRIS SHRINE, THE FEZTIVAL OF TREES IS YOUR TICKET!

We invite you to come out and lend a hand.

This has become a premier fundraiser for our organization.

In this section, you will find information about the many ways you can assist. This is a great opportunity to come out and meet fellow Shriners and their ladies. No reservations are needed, just come as you are for as long as you like.

For more information, reach out to Ole Friesen at 402-489-0051.




2025 FEZTIVAL OF TREES SPONSORSHIPS

**IF YOU KNOW OF SOMEONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO
BE A TREE SPONSOR, PICK UP A PACKET FROM ANTONIA
AT THE SHRINE OFFICE.**

**You can also call Ill. Sir Ole Friesen, FEZtival of Trees Director
at 402-489-0051 or feztivaloftree@gmail.org**

Trees are decorated with the theme choice of each sponsor and include gifts, cash or gift cards on or around the tree. Trees are seen by thousands of visitors (4,300 in 2024), in print, on TV, and on a variety of social media including our website: feztivaloftrees.org.

Sponsors, their staff, and families are also invited to a special appreciation evening on Friday, November 21, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. to enjoy the 2025 FEZtival of Trees.



FEZTIVAL OF TREES PLAQUE PROGRAM

Last year's introduction of the Plaque Sponsorship program was a success but there is still plenty of room to grow.

There are businesses and individual who would be able to support the FEZtival of Trees (similar to the previous Circus Plaque sponsors) but aren't in a position to sponsor a tree.

This is an opportunity for them (and you) to spread the word about our event. We have previous circus sponsors that need to be contacted, you may know of businesses that could participate and, of course, we hope the sponsors from last year will renew.

Information packets will be available in late July.

*This program is **not** to replace the Tree Sponsors, without whom we wouldn't have an event. Plaque sponsors will simply be able to support the event without the same level of commitment.*

F ♦ A ♦ C FEZTIVAL OF TREES KICK-OFF EVENT!

– JOIN US AT THE SHRINE CENTER –
JULY 25 ♦ 4:30 – 8:00 P.M.

PIZZA + OPEN BAR
{PIZZA ARRIVING ~ 5:30 P.M.}

– COME LEARN MORE ABOUT THE –
2025 FEZTIVAL OF TREES

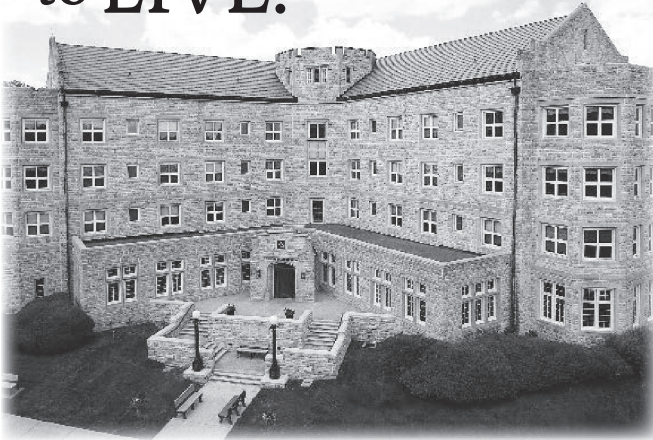
**Tree Sponsorships
Plaque Sponsorships
Volunteer Opportunities
Related Activities**



**RSVP to make sure we
have enough food for all.**

**Make a reservation by scanning this
code, at the Shrine website, or by
calling the office at 402-474-6890.**

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1300 Avenue D, Plattsmouth, NE 68048



April Johnston, Executive Director
Phone: 402-296-7303
Email: ajohnston@nemh.net



Steve Barchus, Foundation Director
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Lodge Meeting Schedule

LODGE	#	ADDRESS	CITY	COUNTY	MEETING TIMES
Lincoln	19	1635 L St	Lincoln	Lancaster	1 st TUE @ 7:30 p.m.
Lancaster	54	1635 L St	Lincoln	Lancaster	1 st FRI @ 7:00 p.m.
East Lincoln	210	2700 S St	Lincoln	Lancaster	1 st THU @ 7:30 p.m.
North Star	227	2610 N 48th St	Lincoln	Lancaster	1 st WED @ 7:30 p.m.
Geo. Washington	250	4430 N 70th St	Lincoln	Lancaster	1 st TUE @ 7:30 p.m.
Hickman	256	4641 Cooper Ave	Lincoln	Lancaster	1 st THU @ 7:00 p.m.
Cotner	297	1635 L Street	Lincoln	Lancaster	1 st MON @ 7:30 p.m.
Liberty	300	1635 L St	Lincoln	Lancaster	1 st THU @ 7:00 p.m.
Craftsmen	314	2645 B St	Lincoln	Lancaster	1 st TUE @ 7:00 p.m.
College View	320	4641 Cooper Ave	Lincoln	Lancaster	1 st WED @ 7:30 p.m.
Tabula Rasa	332	1635 L St	Lincoln	Lancaster	3 rd TUE @ 6:30 p.m.
Beatrice	26	130 N 7th St	Beatrice	Gage	2 nd MON @ 7:00 p.m.
Highland	194	420 S Sheridan	Cortland	Gage	2 nd TUE @ 8:00 p.m.
Fairbury	35	515 1/2 E St	Fairbury	Jefferson	1 st MON @ 7:30 p.m.
Blue River	30	115 B St	Milford	Seward	TUE @ 7:30 p.m. (after the 2nd Monday)
Oliver	38	143 S 6th St	Seward	Seward	3 rd THU @ 7:00 p.m.
Utica	96	601 C St	Utica	Seward	1 st TUE @ 7:30 p.m.
York	56	1713 N Lincoln Ave	York	York	TUE @ 7:30 p.m.
Lebanon	323	4722 28th St	Columbus	Platte	2 nd WED @ 7:00 p.m.
Pawnee	23	1010 7th St	Pawnee City	Pawnee	3 rd TUE @ 7:30 p.m.
Geneva	79	1620 J St	Geneva	Fillmore	1 st TUE @ 7:30 p.m.
Mosaic	55	907 W Norfolk Ave	Norfolk	Madison	1 st TUE @ 7:30 p.m.
Newman Grove	305	416 Hale Ave	Newman Grove	Madison	1 st MON @ 7:30 p.m.
Fidelity	51	313 West E St	David City	Butler	1 st TUE @ 7:00 p.m.
Osceola	65	451 Hawkeye St	Osceola	Polk	2 nd THU @ 8:00 p.m.
Stromsburg	126	212 Commercial St	Stromsburg	Polk	2 nd TUE @ 7:30 p.m.
Western Star	2	1104 Central Ave	Neb. City	Otoe	3 rd THU @ 7:30 p.m.
Union	287	340 C St	Palmyra	Otoe	2 nd WED @ 7:00 p.m.
Plainview	204	211 N King St	Plainview	Pierce	1 st TUE @ 7:30 p.m.



NAPHIS TEMPLE NO. 66
DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE
ARA PRICE, QUEEN ~ SARAH LANIK-FRAIN, PRINCESS BADOURA



Greetings and salutations!

Here is the most updated information on events of Naphis Temple No. 66. Thank you to Queen Cindy for all her hard work and dedication to Naphis Temple during the 2024-2025 year.

Queen Sara Price and the 2025-2026 officers for Naphis Temple were installed on Sunday, April 6, 2025 in a beautiful ceremony at the Scottish Rite. A reception followed in the lower level.

Those serving as officers this year are: Her Majesty the Queen Sara Price, Junior Past Queen Cindy Eberspacher, Princess Royal Heather Younger, Princess Tirzah Amy Fricke, Princess Badoura Sarah Lanik-Frain, Princess Banker Carol Ogorzoka, Princess Recorder Jeanne Krenk, Princess Marshal Lana Peterson-Pressler, Princess Chaplain Cora Redwine, Lady of the Keys Tracy Mahaffey, Lady of the Gates Maylena Olsen, Princess Nydia Bridget Anderson, Princess Zulieka Shirley Bornemeier, Princess Zenobia Martha Cabeles, Princess Zora Erin Remaklus, Princess Zuliema Gaylene Tinnean, Princess Musician Betty Kirby, Attendants Vicki Tuxhorn and Marilyn Jepson, and Temple Soloist Melodie Montiel.

We have been busy with activities like joining in the All-Masonic Reunion out at Mahoney State Park, hosting our quarter auction at the Sesostris Shrine Center on May 18. On May 31, a number of ladies made the trip to Norfolk for our Northeast Nile Club visit and installed their officers for the upcoming year. June finds us at the Shrine Bowl and preparing for the 109th Annual Supreme Session to be held in Las Vegas, Nevada. We have 23 ladies going, along with seven members of Sesostris Shrine, and two family members!

YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS OUR UPCOMING EVENTS!

July 18

SALTDogs BASEBALL AND FIREWORKS

(See the flyer in this issue of *Feztivities!*)

July 31

SUPREME QUEEN VISIT

(Please join us at 5:30 p.m. for the banquet that evening.)

August 9

ANNUAL NILE LUAU

(See the flyer in this issue of *Feztivities!*)

August 24

QUARTER AUCTION

(At the Sesostris Shrine Center. Doors open at 1 p.m.)

I hope you can join us for these events. I would like to thank the Shrine for their continued support of Naphis Temple and look forward to another fun-filled year!

In Nile Love,

*Sarah Lanik-Frain
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STATED MEETING

July 9, 2025

Sesostris Shrine Center

1050 Saltillo Road
Roca, Nebraska

5:30 p.m. Social

6:00 p.m. Dinner

7:00 p.m. Meeting

COST OF DINNER: \$5.00

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JULY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		7:30 a.m. 1 Golf League 6:30 p.m. Corvette Club 7:00 p.m. Alphas	7:00 a.m. 2 Koffee Klatch 6:00 p.m. Cushmans 6:00 p.m. Shrine Bowl 6:00 p.m. Star Wars 7:00 p.m. Cruis'n Classics/ Mustangs	3	10:00 a.m. 4 Fairbury Parade	7:00 p.m. 5 DeWitt Parade
		IMPERIAL	IMPERIAL	IMPERIAL	OFFICE CLOSED INDEPENDENCE DAY	
6	5:30 p.m. 7 Divan 7:00 p.m. Pawnee Shrine Club @ Columbus 7:00 p.m. Music Notes Practice	7:30 a.m. 8 Golf League 10:30 a.m. Women's Welcome Club 5:30 p.m. FEZtival of Trees 6:30 p.m. Directors Staff Business Mtg.	7:00 a.m. 9 Koffee Klatch 5:30 p.m. Stated Meeting 9:00 p.m. Drifters	10	5:30 p.m. 11 Alphas F.A.C.	1:30 p.m. 12 Scott Pigsley's Celebration of Life 6:00 p.m. Ceresco Parade
2:00 p.m. 13 Keystone Kops Business	14	7:30 a.m. 15 Golf League	7:00 a.m. 16 Koffee Klatch	17	4:30 p.m. 18 Friesen Event	10:00 a.m. 19 Ashland Stir-up Parade
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COVERED WAGONS - CAMPING						
8:00 a.m. 27 Cruis'n Classics Car Show 2:00 p.m. Keystone Kops Work/Skit Day	6:00 p.m. 28 Sportsman's Raffle Committee 7:00 p.m. Gun Club	7:30 a.m. 29 Golf League	7:00 a.m. 30 Koffee Klatch	31		
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AUGUST

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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STATED MEETING

August 13, 2025

Sesostris Shrine Center
1050 Saltillo Road
Roca, Nebraska

5:30 p.m. Social

6:00 p.m. Dinner

7:00 p.m. Meeting

COST OF DINNER: \$5.00

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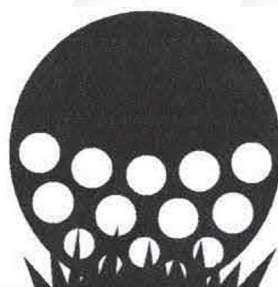
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Four Person Scramble • August 8, 2025

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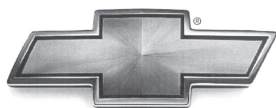
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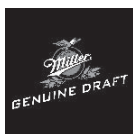
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Team Sesostris traveled to South Dakota back in May for an outdoor GSSF pistol match. Even though Sioux Falls is not a terrible drive, Gun Club decided to make this an overnight trip.

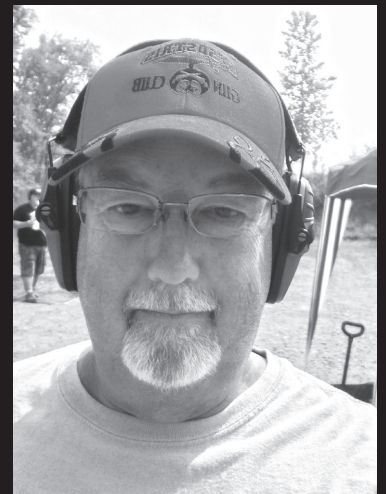
We called Brandon South Dakota home for one night. The food and fellowship were well worth the miles.

While on the pistol range, our Sesostris Gun Club shirts created some interest. Some shooters even were curious enough to ask what Sesostris was. Our team was proud to represent Sesostris Shrine.

All members shot well and the Sesostris Gun Club received 1st place for team points.

After the match, we had conversations over lunch. Walter told his team he is not in Gun Club for the competition shooting. For him, it's all about the Brotherhood that is shared. We unanimously agreed our adventure was a success.

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Quarter Auction Fundraiser

Sunday, August 24

WHAT

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WHERE

Sesostris Shrine Center
1050 Saltillo Road, Roca, Nebraska
Located on Hwy. 77 and Saltillo Road

WHEN

Sunday, August 24

Doors Open at 1:00 p.m.

Fun Starts at 2:00 p.m.

PRODUCTS

Various vendors will include:
Thirty-One, PinkZebra, Pampered Chef,
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Our Programs and Services

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Rehabilitation is an important part of every patient's care. Therapists help children be as independent as possible, tailoring programs to individual needs and developmental abilities. Whether a child is learning to stand or walk, improve wheelchair skills, use a new prosthesis, or recover from injury, we are here to help.

Scoliosis Specific Exercise (SSE) Program: nontraditional 3-D treatment

The SSE program focuses on educating Adolescent Idiopathic Scoliosis (AIS) patients about body awareness while using physical therapy exercise and stretching, with a goal of creating stability around their corrected posture. This program empowers patients by providing them with an active role in their treatment.

2024 Highlights

4,256

patient visits

177

surgeries

1,893

orthoses &
prostheses
made

3,211

x-rays and
images

2,446

rehab and
therapy
visits

758

new patients

Meet Gavin

There was a time when Gavin's family wasn't sure he'd reach his first birthday, let alone crawl or walk.

In 2009, at 6 months old, Gavin became critically ill with meningococcal meningitis, a bacterial infection that can cause rashes and lesions, resulting in amputations. Living in rural South Dakota, Gavin was first transferred to a hospital in Kansas, where his mom, Echo, began to understand the severity of the infection. "He was in a coma and the doctors said he had about a 5% chance of survival," Echo recalled. "They also wanted to start amputations." Echo asked if there were any hospitals that specialized in treating conditions like Gavin's. There was: Shriners Children's Ohio.

Gavin spent the next 54 days at Shriners Children's. He endured 12 surgeries, including a tracheotomy, skin grafts and muscle flaps to preserve as much healthy tissue as possible. He was also kept on infection control precautions, which meant everyone, including his mom, had to wear medical gowns, gloves and masks.

The clinical team not only closely monitored his recovery progress, but also his developmental milestones. During his nearly two-month stay in the hospital, Gavin first rolled over, sat up unassisted, ate semi-solid foods and started babbling.

After he was discharged, Gavin and his mom traveled from South Dakota to Ohio nearly 60 times so the clinical team could monitor his skin grafts, flexibility and strength. He also became a patient at Shriners Children's Twin Cities to keep an eye on an issue with the growth plate in his right knee and ankle. It remained unchanged, so when he was 10, Gavin decided the next step forward in his recovery would be amputation.

Gavin admits that people stare at his prosthetic leg and the scarring over most of his body, but he's used to being in the spotlight. "I was a lead in my school play for three years in a row," he said. "I stood in front of a lot of people with the governor of South Dakota to light the capital Christmas tree. I've spoken to hundreds of people in South Dakota, North Dakota and Ohio about my story and how Shriners Children's saved my life."

In fact, Gavin is so comfortable with meeting new people and trying new experiences, he has earned the nickname "Governor Gav." But his favorite title is the one he earned when he was just 6 months old. "I'm a Shriners kid," he declared. "From day one, Shriners have felt like family to me. There is a life-long bond to the organization and everyone who give kids like me hope for an optimistic future."



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Every story of hope at Shriners Children's Twin Cities is made possible thanks to generous gifts from donors like you. There are many ways you can help. Gifts of any size, whether they are recurring or one-time, make a difference. Because of your support, children facing difficult challenges receive the very best care, reach their potential and lead more fulfilling lives. Your gift makes anything possible!

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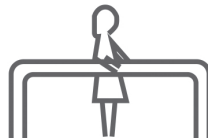


62,000+

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PATIENTS

446,799

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PROCEDURES



48,962

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Twin Cities News

Shriners Children Twin Cities continues to collaborate with Chicago, St. Louis and Dayton, sharing resources and talent. Our doctors are visiting these locations to learn and grow and to share their talents with other doctors in the Shrine system. They are also doing surgeries at these locations as we explore other Shriners Hospital for us to refer our kids to.

Dr. Lang, our local sports medicine physician is busy growing the discipline in the Twin Cities and has been traveling to St. Louis to help there as well. Dr. Lang has represented the Twin Cities at numerous conventions, bringing our story to the medical world. Even after 100 years many in the medical field don't know what we do.

For many years, Shriners Hospitals for Children in addition to providing the most amazing care anywhere, also invested time, energy and resources into research. The Twin Cities currently is participating in the Genomics Study project with Imperial. DNA samples are taken from patients and family volunteers to be studied and analyzed to determine if there are genetic conditions that might lead to the medical challenges that our patients face. The Twin Cities have reached out to Boy Town to see if collaboration with their Cerebral Palsy gait lab is possible. When it comes to genomic/DNA research, Shriners is just getting started.

On Thursday, October 16, 2025, Melissa Bongard, the Clinic Director at Shriners Children Twin Cities, other staff members and hopefully an Imperial Officer will present a town hall meeting at SesostriS. Melissa will share with us all the exciting things that are happening at the clinic now and what's coming.

This dinner event is open to all Shriners and their ladies, and members of Naphis Temple, Daughters of the Nile (and anyone else who would like to know what's happening). Social will begin at 5:30pm, dinner at 6pm and the program will start at 6:30pm. The cost for dinner prepared by the Gourmet Club has yet to be determined.

Save the date, we hope you can attend.

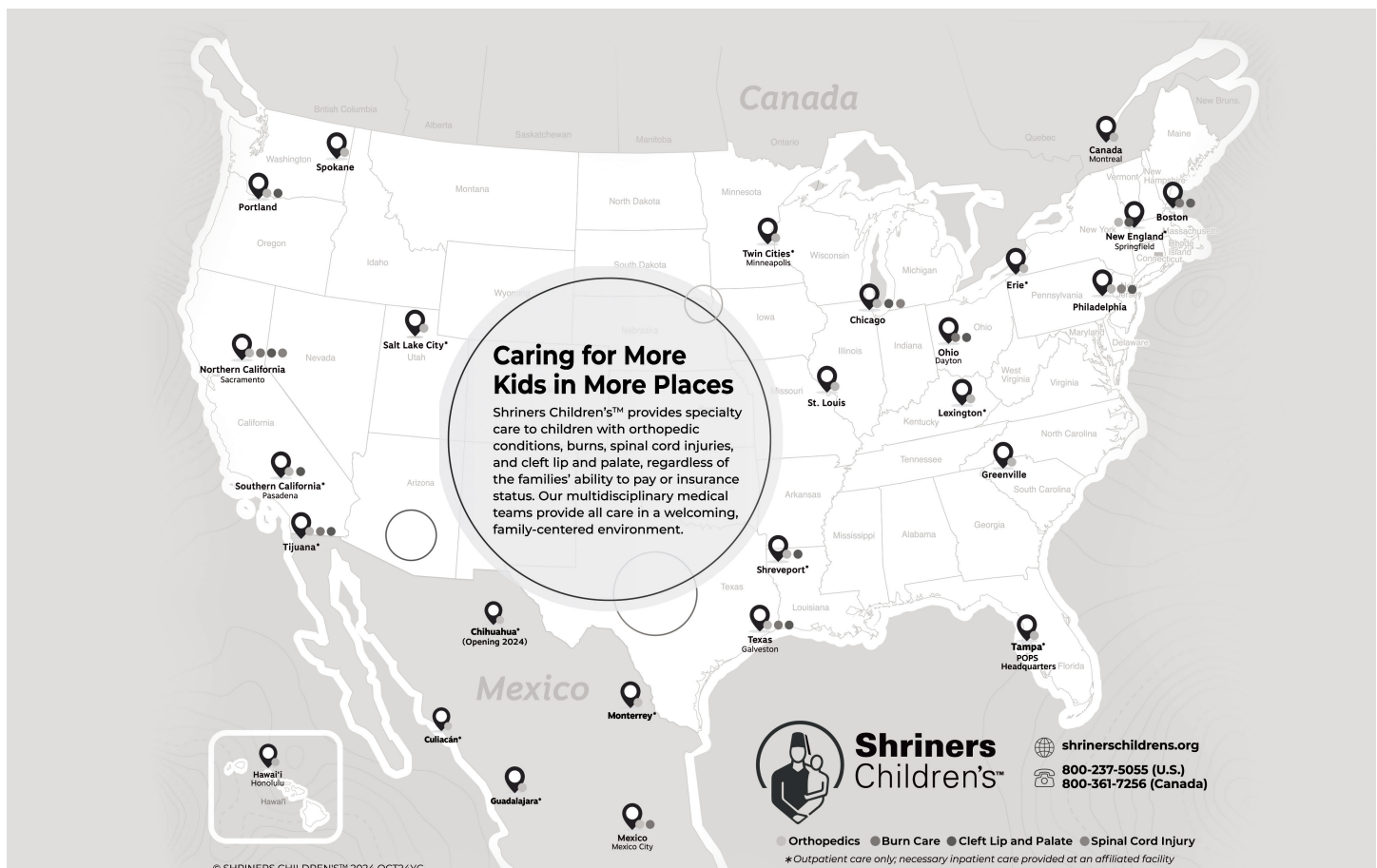
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-Forbes 2025 (from Shriners Hospitals)

Shriners Children's has been named the top Mid-sized Employer for 2025 by Forbes and Statista Inc. This prestigious recognition comes from a survey the organizations have been conducting and publishing for the past 10 years. Being ranked Number 1 on America's Best Midsize Employers list also means that Shriners Children's is recognized as the leader in the Healthcare & Social Services industry category.

This is the third time Shriners Children's has been recognized in Forbes' ranking. Last year, we were ranked 12th among mid-sized employers out of 3,000 companies and 176,000 employees surveyed. This year's ranking is even more impressive, with Forbes and Statista surveying 217,000 employees at companies with 1,000 to 5,000 employees and ranking 498 mid-sized employers.

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Kenneth P Kohl
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Richard Black
David L Samani |
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Roger W Stutheit | 22 William J Johnson
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Milton D Rogge
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Jerry L Raikes | 23 Lynn R Anderson
Jeffrey Rutt |
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Gary W Ryba
Richard Vlach |
| 10 Timothy G Birdsall
Rudy Kalama | 25 Nile E Dragoo
Randall W Schlueter |
| 11 Scott A Gossett | 26 Matthew J Ferris
Mark Kinzie PP |
| 12 Douglas N Krogman
Michael S Mohr | 27 Perry D Muller |
| 13 Garold E Parker | 28 Ronald D Vetrovsky |
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Paul Mohr
William D Trapp | 29 Jordan D Darensbourg Sr
Dale R Smith
Howard G Whitmore |
| 15 V Gregg Johnson
Greg K Tyser | 30 Jairo H Cabeles
Lowell C Erickson
Roger L Nelson |
| 16 James L Chambers
Larry T Harding
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Robert D Kinsey Jr PP
Dennis D Mundt
Roland C Schroeder | 31 Marvin D Caspers |

August Birthdays

- | | |
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Leo F Stokes | 15 Jerry J Blair II |
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Steven D Thompson |
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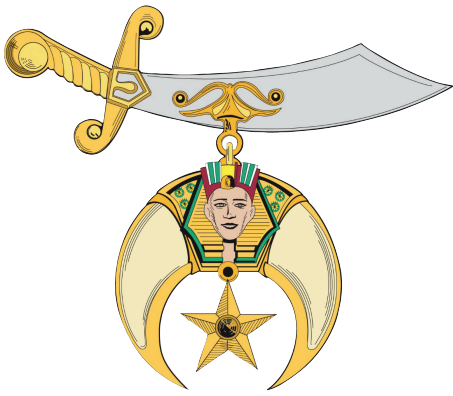
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