



EL HASA SHRINERS

CAMEL TALK

June 1, 2021

Message from the Potentate



Greetings to every one of our Nobles and their Ladies. The last month has been very eventful and refreshing. Everyone is eager to get out and back into operation. Since our last newsletter, we have had our spring Ceremonial and Ladies Luncheon, which was held on May 1st. We were able to welcome six new members through the Ceremonial and the ladies were able to have a great meal at the Bellefonte Country Club, which was very refreshing with reflection upon the shutdown the world endured during the previous year. We also were able to take a pilgrimage to Tennessee for Fun Fest. This was a fun time to relax and fellowship with those we have missed, and participate in our first parade in over a year, and you know we Shriners love our parades. I want to thank everyone that helped in providing food for the hospitality room, transporting supplies to

Tennessee, and all the setup needed to make sure it was a fun event for everyone involved. The Ladies Ring Party on May 22nd was successful and again, we want to thank all those who bought tickets and volunteered their time in making sure everyone had fun. Lastly, we were able to parade in Grayson for Memory Days and again at the Ironton Memorial Day Parade, which has been going since 1868, without Shriners in these parades, I am sure the communities do not get their full parading experience.

The operations of the Shrine Center are starting to warm up. We were able to have two full weeks of bingo, both Tuesday and Wednesday nights. If anyone is available on Tuesday or Wednesday nights, come out and help, as we work to make El Hasa Bingo the best in the area. Bingo games start at 6:30 pm, different tasks begin at different times, so just come out when you can, the more volunteers we have, the easier it is to make it a success. We can train anyone to do any task, if I can be trained on a game in which I am terrible, anyone can be trained.

The Potentate's Ball is fast approaching and we want to honor all of our Nobility at this event. It will be held on June 19th. The cost is \$30 per person, RSVP Sarah or JJ, and the Ball is a formal event, so wear your fez and tuxedo or business suit, the ladies will look beautiful in their ball gowns. All other activities are casual. Additional information is on the end of the newsletter.

Lastly, I want to thank everyone for continuing our fraternity and volunteering where you can.

Fraternally,
Patrick D. Leighty, Potentate 2021



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Shrine Center Cleanup

We will be working on getting the Shrine Center Straightened up for the Potentate's Ball. This will be on June 12th starting at 8:00 am. Come out when you can, I anticipate being there all day.

Potentate's Ball Setup

The Shrine Center will be set up for the Ball on Thursday, June 17th. This will allow us all to be ready for our hospitality on Friday.

Potentate's Ball

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday June 18, 2021

CHECK IN HOSPITALITY HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS
HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS
3PM - ?

Saturday June 19, 2021

HOSPITALITY HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS
10AM - 4PM

PRESENTATIONS HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS
1PM

SOCIAL HOUR EL HASA TEMPLE
-shuttle begins at 5:30PM 6 - 6:45PM

GRAND MARCH PROMPTLY AT 6:45PM

BANQUET 7PM

BALL 8 - 11PM
-music provided by live DJ

AFTERGLOW HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS

ASK FOR EL HASA SHRINE RATE
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SHRINERS HAPPENINGS

HIGHLIGHTS OF SPRING CEREMONIAL

EL HASA SHRINERS



El Hasa Shriners of Ashland, Kentucky held their Spring Ceremonial of inducting six new Nobles into Shriners International with El Hasa Shriners. The event was held on Saturday, May 01, 2021 at the El Hasa Shrine Center in Ashland. The festivities begin at 10:00 am with the Ceremonial Potentate Patrick Leighty and Illustrious

Potentate calling the meeting to order and conducting the festivities of the day. We were honored to induct six new members into the Shrine. The new members included: Caden Russell McFann of Kitts Hill, OH, Joshua O. Sparks of Ashland, Daniel Kyle Akers of Banner, Travis Smith of Hazard, Glenn Dale Spradlin of Harold and Zachary Cutlip of Ironton, OH. The Ceremonial Class was in honor of L. Joe McSweeney, Past Potentate of El Hasa Shriners. He served as Potentate in the year 2012.

El Hasa Shrine members assisting with the Ceremonial Induction degree team were Patrick Leighty – Ceremonial Potentate, Patton Hart, PP – Chief Rabban/Orator, Mano Runyon – Assistant Rabban, Chris Griffith – High Priest & Prophet, Eddie Hazelett – Oriental Guide, Jim Williams – First Ceremonial Master, T.J. Toler – Second Ceremonial Master and Vic Hopper, PP - Marshal. The ladies held a Ladies Luncheon in honor of Patsy McSweeney at the Bellefonte Country Club in showing their appreciation for her dedication and contributions made to the Shrine and Masonic family. The ladies returned to the Shrine Center after the Ladies luncheon to honor the newest shrine members with their fez. The new members of the Shrine were presented their fez in acknowledging them as a Shrine Mason with the Shrine fraternity. Illustrious Potentate Patrick Leighty and First Lady Sarah also presented a special gift to Illustrious Sir Joe McSweeney and Lady Patsy for being honored on this special day for El Hasa Shriners.



Pictured above are six of the newest members with the Illustrious Potentate Patrick Leighty left to right Illustrious Potentate Patrick Leighty, Caden Russell McFann, Joshua O. Sparks, Travis Smith, Kyle Akers, Glenn Spradlin and Zachary Cutlip. A lunch for all in attendance was held for all to enjoy. A second section was conducted by the El Hasa Directors Staff.

Special thanks go to all Directors for their assistance and cooperation for making the Ceremonial a worthwhile and productive day. A reception was held in honor of the new members and their ladies immediately following the festivities of the Spring Ceremonial. Pictured below Illustrious Sir Patrick Leighty, Potentate making a special gift presentation to Illustrious Sir Joe McSweeney and Lady Patsy for their presence and participation during Spring Ceremonial 2021.



SHRINERS LEGACY MONTH

The month of June is Legacy Month with Shriners International. It is our annual opportunity to celebrate and recognize our proud Nobles who make it a family tradition to serve our fraternity. We welcome fathers and sons, grandfathers and sons, uncles and nephews, steps, in-laws and other instances with multiple Shriners within the same family.

Our bond of brotherhood and our dedication to fun, fellowship and philanthropy bring great meaning to our lives, and we want to share this life with others, especially our family. The Legacy Program is a meaningful way for you to show pride in passing on such an important tradition. The Shriners legacy unites us down through generations and across our family ties.

Share the tradition. Legacy members can share their Shriner family tradition on social media using the hashtag #ShrinersLegacy.

CELEBRATE SHRINERS INTERNATIONAL AWARENESS DAY!

On June 6, 1876, the Imperial Council, the original governing body of the Shriners fraternity, was founded.

To honor this historic event, Shriners International celebrates June 6 as Shriners International Awareness Day. On this day, nobles everywhere are encouraged to celebrate their great fraternity and raise awareness of its impact in their communities. Project a positive and favorable image of the Shrine in your actions.

Share your pride in being a Shriner on social media with the hashtag #ProudShriner.