

## of El Jebel Shrine a monthly newspaper



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3443 South Galena St., Denver, Colorado 80231





#### **POTENTATE'S**

**MESSAGE** 



## Ron Williamson

#### Nobles, Ladies, and Friends of El Jebel Shrine:

It was an honor to be Installed as Potentate of El Jebel on January 17, 2021 at our first ever Zoom Installation. Thank you to all of you that were able to join us. Many thanks to Illustrious Sir Tony Dattilo and Illustrious Sir Jim Stewart for figuring out how to do the Installation on Zoom, it turned out fantastic. Our Nobles from the Western Slope, Al Kaly and friends and family from Florida, Idaho and Oklahoma were able to join us. It was our wish to have Installation on the weekend so that our kids and grandkids could be with us. Thank you to our grandchildren, Sydney, Austin and Finley for being a part of this special day.

Congratulations to all of the 2021 Divan and Aides and their Ladies. We are looking forward to working with you during our Helping Kids Through Fun and Fellowship year. As we move into 2021, we still have several difficult months ahead, but we hope by fall we can again get back to our Shrine meetings and activities. We would like to try to have some Official Visits this year with our Shriners to the North and East of Denver, as well as our Shriners on the Western Slope. Our new Aides have come up with some new ideas that we think everyone will enjoy. We look forward to having you join us for a trip to Pasadena to work on the Shrine Float and watch the Rose Bowl Parade, a Mexican Fiesta and the Laying of the Corner Stone at El Jebel Shrine by the Grand Lodge of Colorado.

We also wanted to let everyone know that El Jebel is one of the finalists in the Fun and Fellowship Competition for Imperial. There were 186 entries from 86 Temples. There were three categories and we are in the Parade category. Our entry was the "Let Me Out" parade that we did at the Eastern Star Masonic Retirement Campus. Our event was selected for the finals. We are in the process of submitting pictures now. Voting will begin February 11 – March 25. Please vote and get your friends and family to vote every day! Winners will be announced March 31, 2021 and will be acknowledged at Imperial Session in July.

Our February Shrine Meeting will be on Zoom on February 8, 2021. Please join us at 6:30 with a glass of wine and we will wish everyone a Happy Valentine's Day. Until then, please wear your mask, get your vaccination, be safe and stay healthy.

Thank you for your confidence, I will do the best job I can do for El Jebel in 2021.

"Let's have some FUN 'N 21"











#### **Jay Bobick**



#### OUR NEW YEAR HAS BEGUN AND IT'S FUN IN 21!

Our new 2021 Potentate, Illustrious Sir Ron Williamson has accepted his election with the gusto and promise to make this year the best fun filled year he can and will produce. "Fun in 21" is his mantra. His plans are outlined in his 2021 El Jebel Calendar that you should definitely read, make a copy, and enter all the events in your personal calendar, and computer. With the hope that we will be free from COVID restrictions by summer, the second half of the year will be filled with El Jebel interactive activities; meetings, events, picnics, dinners, parades, and so much more. Illustrious Sir Ron and Lady Robyn are raring to go! We will all have to try to keep up with them as they promise this will be a fun year.

The most prominent events for January were the departing Potentate's last Stated Meeting on 11 January 2020 and the El Jebel Installation on 17 January 2021, both accomplished on ZOOM. The Potentate opened the meeting at 7:00 pm with 62 members in attendance. The following Past Potentates joined the meeting: Illustrious Sirs Dick Williams, Jim Fitzpatrick, Ron Cosens, Tony Dattilo, Jim Stewart, Dennis Proctor, Matt Raia, Rich Silver with Roger Mendenhall and Brian Carter from Al Kaly Temple. IS Joe welcomed Steve Thomas, WCSC, to the meeting. Chaplain Jim Oliver gave the invocation, Noble Nils Nordberg sang the National Anthem and Grady Carter, High Priest & Prophet, led all in the Pledge of Alliance to our National Flag.

The Potentate introduced our guest Imperial Sir Ed Stoltz, High Priest & Prophet. Illustrious Ed thanked Joe and acknowledged how everyone is affected by the Pandemic and it is hard to get together for meetings and events. Some States are locked down and others are not, and we all need to follow our State guidelines. BeAShriner.Com has been revamped with direct paths to membership and Blue Lodge access to all Temples. Everything is combined into one single access. Imperial is working with the Scottish Rite Northern Jurisdiction to join in helping with membership. The International Development Committee Chair announced that there are two new Temples in Mexico, one in the Northeast and one in Brazil. They are working with Russia to establish Shiners there. The Russian Grand Master is friends with President Putin. Also working with Lebanon, Israel, and Gabon. The Gabon President is also the Grand Master. Amal Temple, Brazil had a virtual Ceremonial with 147 members joining. Could be seen on-line with ladies giving

Illustrious Ed Stated that they are continuing to plan for an in-person 2021 Session in Houston. The 2024 Session will be in Reno, Nevada with lower costs to attendees and better weather, more comfortable. All in one hotel that has 4,400 rooms. The rate will be \$135 per night with free transportation from and to airport for everyone. Also, a free bus to

and from Lake Tahoe. Closing, he thanked all for their service to the Shrine and especially our Shriners Hospitals for Children.

The Potentate announced awards: John Titterington, Silver Collar; Emit Hurdelbrink, 4<sup>th</sup> Qtr. Leading by Example. Then he thanked Greg and Kendy Rindone for their support as Chief Aide and "Chief Lady" during his "reign." Past Potentate Bobby Marner got his pillow back that he presented to Joe when he became Potentate. Then IS Bobby presented IS Joe with a plague designating him as Potentate of the Year. On behalf of all the Divan, Greg Rindone presented IS Joe with a Proclamation signed by his Divan. A short film of Red Skelton, Shriner, shown by Ken Jones.

Ron Williamson announced that his Northwest Cruise Trip is cancelled but he is working a trip to Pasadena for all going to assist in building the Shriners Rose Parade Float and asked for member approval. The Trip was moved, seconded and passed unanimously for attending 27 December 2021 – 2 January 2022. Considering out by plane and return by train. Let Don and Karen Myers know if you would like to join the trip and what your desires are there. Options are Float work, parade, Band Day, equestrian events, tour of the float construction buildings and several more.

The Shriners Yearbook was discussed. Nobles are receiving postcards concerning data to be included. The bottom line is that one can contact to organizing company and detail what information will or will not be included. The phone number is 888-822-1724.

To close out the 2020 year, a motion was made, seconded and approved to validate (approve) all Divan and Board of Directors 2020 actions. Then IS Joe relieved all 2020 appointments of their duties. IS Joe then thanked Karri, Greg and Kendy for her support. Lady Karri Kent thanked everyone for supporting her throughout the year. In Compliance with By-Laws, IS Joe Kent transferred all required instruments and data to Potentate Elect Ron Williamson and relinquished the gavel to him.

Potentate Elect Ron Williamson announced that the 2021 Installation will be at Highlands Lodge on Sunday, 17 January at 3:00pm. He expressed his appreciation of our confidence in him and thanked IS Joe for keeping everyone safe for 10 long months of COVID. Ron closed by reminding all the Unit/Club President's, Secretary's, and Treasurer's of the ZOOM meeting Saturday, 16 January at 9:00 am.

There being no further business to come before the body, the Potentate thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 8:10 pm, peace and harmony prevailing.

Remember to continue to wear a mask even after your virus shots. Together we will beat this virus and join again as one great family.

Fraternally,

Jay Bobick, Recorder

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Potentate

#### **ELECTED DIVAN**

Ken Jones, Chief Rabban Grady Carter, Assistant Rabban Jim Dawkins, High Priest & Prophet Doug Kelley, Oriental Guide Rich Silver, P.P., Treasurer Jay Bobick, Recorder Emeritus

#### **APPOINTED DIVAN**

Ron Dunsmore, 1st Ceremonial Master Perry Mittler, 2nd Ceremonial Master Mike Terry, Marshal John Titterington, Captain of the Guard Bill Brassette, Outer Guard David Dorn, Director Jim Oliver, Chaplain Emeritus

#### **LIVING PAST POTENTATES**

Robert G. Van Male (1988)

Thomas D. Palmer (1989)

Jack D. Patten (1990)

Steve Tucker (1991)

Richard E. Williams (1993)

Amer Plaisted (1994)

Dr. David Powell (1997)

Jim Lear (1998)

Michael G. Severe (1999)

Jim Fitzpatrick (2000)

Ron Cosens (2003)

Richard Karns (2004, 2005)

Clint Dexter (2006)

Tony Dattilo (2007)

Fred Taylor (2008)

Jim Stewart (2009)

Ed Rendon (2010)

**Dennis Proctor (2011)** 

Jim Long (2012)

Matthew Raia (2013)

Phil Hause (2014)

Michael Trevathan (2015)

Larry Clark (2016)

Rich Silver (2017, 2018)

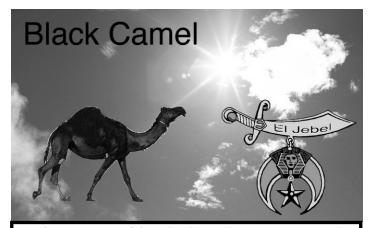
Bobby Marner (2019)

Joe Kent (2020)

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There was a friend whose heart was good
He walked with men and understood
His was a voice that spoke with cheer, And
felt like music on the ear

His was a smile men loved to see; His was a hand that asked no fee for friendliness or kindness done. And now that he has journeyed on, His is a fame that never ends, He leaves behind uncounted friends

#### Passed thru the Unseen Portals

#### **In Memoriam**

"Our beloved Brethren live on in a new and more glorious life and service. We carry their influence in our lives and their memories in our hearts. They are not forgotten."







### 2021 Calendar of Events All dates are tentative

#### **February**

- 6-7 WCSC Installation—canceled
- 8 Shrine Meeting—via Zoom
- 16 I-HOP-Shriners will not be working the stores this year
- 21 El Mejdel Mystery Dinner- canceled

#### March

- 8 Family Night, Hospital Night—via zoom
- 13 St. Patrick's Day Parade—canceled
- 20 El Mejdel Installation

#### **April**

- 4 Easter Sunrise Service—tentative
- 10 Sportsmen's Raffle Kickoff
- 12 Stated Meeting
- 17 Shriners Ball—TBD



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#### **Membership Report**

**Total Membership (with Associates)** 

841

2-Restoration

1 -Expired

#### **DONATIONS**

Transportation Fund in Memory of

<u>Shriners Hospitals for Children In Memory of</u>
Dick Welle Monthly Donation

Operating Fund In Memory of

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#### FIBARK DAYS SALIDA, CO June 18-19, 2021

Nobles: Time to sign up for rooms in Salida for the parade and hospitality with Al Kaly.

Units encourage your members to attend this event which is always a fun parade and the boat races.

Please contact the Shrine or me for those who will need rooms for night of June 18<sup>th</sup>. Will be blocking rooms at the Gateway Inn - prices TBD later Also of any one

going the day of -June 19 so we can set a parade lineup.

RV Roamers: The 4 Seasons RV park is being used by Al Kaly again - call for reservations.

Questions and room numbers call me,

Chuck Petersen, (C) 303-877-0436 (H) 303-985-7473

Leave a message.





#### Greetings and Welcome to 2021!

Another Shrine year is here; one that Illustrious Sir Ron has filled with many fun events. Join the Divan in supporting our Potentate as he leads us through the 2021 Shrine year. Can't wait for us to meet in person and share a beverage together!

To ensure El Jebel remains strong your assistance is needed in two key areas; membership and fundraising.

As you know, our membership originates from Blue Lodge. Spread the word about Shriners! Reach out to your Lodge's Master and Secretary to have our events included in calendars and trestle boards. Participate in Lodge activities. Without involvement in Lodge, how will Brothers gain an understanding of the Shrine? Let's all make an effort to increase our Nobility by 30 members in 2021.

The cancellation of the 2020 Sportsmen's raffle places an emphasis on successful 2021 fundraising. This year's main fundraising events are the Sportsmen's Raffle and a poker run (details forthcoming). We are also exploring fundraisers that have been suggested by our Nobility. Thank you for your suggestions.

Thank you for your confidence in electing me to serve as your Chief Rabban. The email and phone communication channels are always open (303.588.4785 / Kjpm2006@gmail.com). Along with Lady Marlene, we are looking forward to a great 2021 Shrine year.

Fun and Fraternity, Ken Jones Chief Rabban









### EL JEBEL SPORTS CAR CLUB

#### By Ron Cosens, P.P.

In January we had the usual President, Secretary/ Treasurer meeting via Zoom and all went well. We also had the Installation of Officer via Zoom.

Unfortunately, we also encountered some bad news with the passing of our President Elect – John Kesig. He will truly be missed, not only in our Unit, but in the Shrine overall. John was a member of several other Units over the years (Rumble Bees, Dune Buggies, RV Roamers, and ROJ), served as an Aide many times, served on Circus Committees, served on Imperial Session Committees, and an avid golfer. Always there doing a great job – may he rest in peace!

This forced the VP/ Red Fez to step up a position and a void therein. Luckily, this was accomplished with Paul Whannel volunteering.

Assuming 2021 solves the CCP virus pandemic and things get back to "normal" we would like to offer - If you want to be active and are looking for a unit to have fun, give us a try. We meet every month on the second Wednesday for lunch if you have a sports car, or convertible, you can be an Active member. BUT, you can also be a Social member if you do not have a qualifying car to be Active.

If interested, call Ron Cosens 303-794-4851, or Paul Whannel 303-447-1140.

Keep it between the ditches and enjoy!



#### PIPE BAND By Kent Burns



We are now in the doldrums of winter. Usually in this monthly installment, you would be regaled by the exploits of the Band and the Air Force Academy cadet drum and bugle corps as we performed as RP&B at the Aspen Winterskol. And we would be looking forward to our annual pilgrimages to Grand Junction for the installation of the Western Slope Shrine Club officers and then Snowmass for Mardi Gras. Sadly, we will not be making many travel plans this year, starting with the elimination of these three looked-forward-to events. We were teased for a while by Aspen when they explained that, due to the so-called "pandemic," they were looking at alternative methods to entertain the locals, one of which was "virtually," however they planned on defining that term.

Our Aspen performance with the cadets as RP&B is important, not only for the money we get for our appearance, but also for the continuation of our relationship with the Academy. With a few exceptions, most of the cadets play in the corps for two years max as freshman and sophomores – as upper-classmen, there are other demands on their time, especially for those who plan on becoming pilots or such other fields. Those cadets who have been to Aspen and/or played with the pipes come away with that look in their eye that ensures they will want to do it again, and will do everything they can to convince their friends to join in on the fun. But, as with all younger folks, their attention span is rather short-lived and they can easily forget all about it, especially if the absence thereof goes beyond their term in the corps. So we must play together at least once a year. (And then there is the added reward of a whole weekend off base, away from all the military discipline, and free skiing on Sunday!) Knowing all this, it behooves all to push for jointperformances. This was not a problem when Bill (Smith) was there, but the new "boss" is not as "enterprising" as he was. However, he did agree on the necessity of some sort of performance this year.

With the albeit self-indulgent interpretation of "virtually," we thought of doing a concert at the Academy, recording it, and giving that recording to Aspen. (And keeping a few copies for ourselves.) Sounded great, especially since we haven't made a recording since the Medieval Feast. Even had a possible venue at the Academy. But time was against us. Time and the AF protocol that dictated fourteen days in quarantine after the Christmas holidays. Which meant the cadets couldn't get out and we couldn't get in. So no concert – yet. Stayed tuned for possible further developments.

The Band is using this "down-time" to "clean up" various tunes, learn a few more, and stay on top of those we play with the brass.

There is something about playing with the brass – when they come in, it makes the hair on the back of your head stand up – in a good way. Actually, in a great way. As was reported this time last year, we had a newbie with us in Aspen. He probably thought most of our tales of how great the day would be as much an attempt to assure ourselves as it was to entice him. But the look on his face when the brass kicked in on our first tune – *Crags of Tumbledown Mountain* – was worth all the practice and hard work the pipers put in on preparing for the weekend. Will always wish that look had been recorded – it would make the best recruitment poster ever.

### CARING LADIES By JEANNIE THOMPSON

So far as your reporter has been able to determine, the members of the Caring Ladies of El Jebel have weathered the storm that was 2020 and are doing well. While we are unable to meet in person, our friendships remain strong and we hope to resume our luncheons perhaps by summertime.

We have voted to send a small token of our appreciation to Susan Boles as a retirement gift. Susan has designed, printed and mailed our monthly announcements since the beginning of our club and will be missed. Her creativity and faithfulness through the years is much appreciated and we wish her Godspeed for many happy years in retirement.

We are a club for the widows of Shriners and Blue Lodge Masons. If you are, or know of, a lady who would be interested, please give her the name and number of our president, Carolyne Irwin (303) 986-3237, or the secretary, Jeanne Thompson (303) 979-6971. We meet for lunch, have a very short business meeting, and a lot of visiting with each other, sharing joys and concerns, with much laughter. Friendships have been formed through these luncheons and we genuinely care about each other.

Even though the last months have been trying and difficult, we still have so much to be thankful for! We wish good health, love and joy to everyone in 2021.





### DUNE BUGGY PATROL By Don Weiser

January has passed, and February is here with Valentine's Day approaching! We are all aware that the COVID-19 virus is still with us and making the same restrictions on activities. Here is hoping that we are all getting our COVID 19 inoculations, and that they will help to control things, so we are able to get back to a more normal way of life. It would be great to be able to meet in person again, and enjoy our social life again.

Our January meeting went well on ZOOM, but once again, attendance by our members was a bit lacking. Hopefully, everyone has been getting the e-mail information about the ZOOM meetings, as there are some of our members that we have not seen in about a year now. Please let Don Strand know if you are not getting the emails. We also want to remind everyone that 2021 Shrine dues are to be paid by January 1. Please get those dues paid promptly. Also, we still have some that have not paid their 2021 Dune Buggy Patrol dues. Please get those paid as we must pay our 2021 CSASMC dues by March. Our February Unit meeting will be held by ZOOM on February 10<sup>th</sup>. Social time as usual, 6:30 pm; meeting at 7:00 pm. Hopefully, everyone has read the January minutes that were sent out by Don Strand, so let us know if any changes need to be made. Have you your 2020 – 2021 El Jebel Shrine calendar yet? They are available at the Shrine Office, or from our Chief Rabban Ron Williamson. The cost is \$25.00 each, and proceeds go to the operating fund.

A couple of last bits of information. Firstly there are 2 dune buggies currently up for sale. If you are interested in belonging to a great, fun filled unit, here is your chance to join us and get your buggy! Both buggies are in very good condition and looking for a new Shriner home. Secondly, there is currently a space available in the Dune Buggy container, at the Shrine lot in Commerce City. If interested, contact Don Strand at 303-799-6629 for more information.

#### **Coming Events:**

February 8<sup>th</sup> El Jebel Shrine Zoom Meeting 7:00 pm February 10<sup>th</sup> Dune Buggy Patrol ZOOM Meeting

Social 6:30 pm Meeting 7:00 pm

We want to wish all our Lady Bug's a wonderful Valentine's Day!!



### COMPUTER CLUB By J & J Taylor

On Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, the Computer Club met with 10 members (including ladies): Mike W., George V., Jim & Judy T., Ron & Robyn W., Ed H., Ken B, Ken Jones (Divan Rep), and Dianne White. President Ed ran the meeting from home by Zoom. After the prayer and pledge, the minutes were approved as written in the Red Fez. Jim gave the Treasurer's report, with no new transactions. Ed had just been to the dentist, and talked like he had marbles in his mouth. He is using crutches to get around. Judy had a good blood report and is doing fine. Nobody corresponded.

For Old Business, pictures of the Potentate and Divan were discussed again. At this time they were to be done at the Highlands *Lodge* (but now this has changed).

For New Business, nothing is new.

Ken Jones gave the Divan report: At this time installation will be outdoors at Highlands this Sunday, the 10<sup>th</sup>. (It was changed to indoors there a few days later, then the date and place was changed again to Zoom.) The Unit Officers' meeting will be this Sat., the 16<sup>th</sup>. Kent Burns, with Susan's help to start, will be doing the Red Fez. Ron Williamson's entry sent in to the Shriners International competition (a write-up about the "Let Me Out" parade done in November) is a finalist and selected to be voted on. We wish him the best of luck (and be sure to vote for him when the time comes!)

A note about changes in the calendar for January: These are not due to the indecision of any person (especially not our Potentate!) but is because of much last minute news resulting from the COVID situation. Everything has been scheduled and re-scheduled day-by-day by our Governor. It is extremely difficult to plan on any event, and we give many kudos to our patient Shriners, and especially our Potentate and his lady. We will all support you through these trying times.

The program for the meeting today was given by Ed Hamm on Vector Graphics.

The Computer Club will meet by Zoom next month, on February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Ed will talk about Networking, particularly with Linux. You are welcome to join in---just email a note to Jim Taylor, who will be the Zoom host, and he will email the link to you.



#### CHANGES AT EL JEBEL By Greg RINDONE

Nobles and ladies, when we are able to get back to holding meetings and gatherings at El Jebel you will notice a few changes. In the past we have all been told that we cannot hang pictures in our space because our tenants and the public that comes into our areas. Well your 2020 Board of Directors voted on a couple of items. Hanging pictures on our walls is OK and to take part of the Florence room and create an archive/history area with past El Jebel paraphernalia that have been in boxes in our third floor storage.

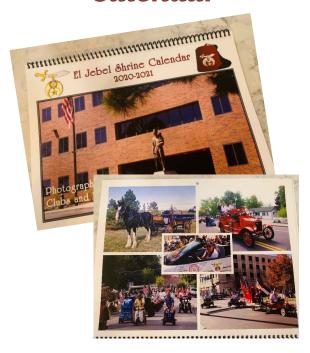
As you can see in the pictures, as you get off the elevator on the second floor and head down to our members lounge, all of our Potentate's pictures are on the wall. The original pictures that were on the wall going into the Oasis in our old building. Also, if you go through the double glass doors into our space left of the elevators you will notice a few more items on the walls. Our Charter from 1888, the Proclamation of the Jewel of El Jebel and other items.

We are finally making our space look like our Temple. So, when you get a chance when we are back for gatherings, take a look around and enjoy.





#### El Jebel Shrine Calendar



The 18-Month Calendars are NOW available in the El Jebel Shrine Office for \$25.00. See your fellow Shriners enjoying fun and fellowship.

#### Please help support the Operating Fund of El Jebel!

Any questions, please contact the

El Jebel Office: 303-455-3470

(Copies can be mailed for an additional \$4.00 per copy)

#### Thank you for your support!!!



### VINTAGE IRON PATROL By Bobby

Remember when we could do parades? Our past president (Wayne) is walking with a cane now, but they won't let him drive yet (fingers crossed it won't be long till he's behind the wheel again). Please keep Gloria and Phil Covarrubias in your prayers. Gloria, as you know has had physical ailments for quite a while and now, she's really struggling.

I hope we can get back to normal activities soon with this country in transition. If there's anything that you would like to add to the Fez article contact Bobby @ AATSBobby@yahoo.com.

Congratulations to Illustrious Sir Ron Williamson and the 2021 Divan. The road ahead is unknown but we have confidence in your ability to lead El Jebel and its Nobility in a safe and fun direction. Like Ron say's "Let's have fun in 21"

Please watch for meeting schedules via emails. If you would like to attend a Zoom meeting and aren't sure how to do it call 303-514-2102 and I'll do my best to help out or direct you to someone who can.

Remember, Rubber side down and Shiny side up!





#### READY-SET-GO!

#### "LET'S PLAN SOME FUN 'N 21"

HERE ARE SOME EL JEBEL FUN OPPORTUNITIES TO PUT ON YOUR 2021 CALENDAR NOW:

#### **June 18-19**

FibArk Parade Overnight fun with Al Kaly- Salida



#### **August 18-21**

CSSA Ceremonial Convention Oklahoma City, OK



#### December 29, 2021 – January 2, 2022

Rose Bowl Parade/Shriners Hospital for Children's Float Decoration

Pasadena, CA



Your Fun and Travel Committee, Gary & Lanna Gosage, Chuck & Bonnie Petersen and Gloria Hull

#### **July 3-8**

Shriners International
Imperial Session—Houston, TX



#### September 17-18

Shriners Hospitals for Children 'Walk for Love' - Salt Lake City, UT



LET'S GET OUR EL JEBEL UNITS TOGETHER AND PLAN TO ATTEND AS MANY OF THESE EVENTS AS POSSIBLE. FUN, LAUGHTER, SMILES AND FELLOW-SHIP ARE THE BEST MEDICINE.



FURTHER DETAILS WILL BE FORTHCOMING.



#### Band

Mary Feldman

#### **Dune Buggy Patrol**

Gary Loberg
Dail Mehsling
Jay Bobick

#### **Legion of Honor**

Mike McClure Beverly Mock

#### **Provost Guard**

Jim Oliver Chuck Petersen

#### **RV Roamers**

Maureen Harrison Harold Potter Jim Oliver

Jannice Cromwell

#### Radops

Nancy Henning Chuck Noah Jim Oliver Chuck Petersen

#### **Sports**

Clint Dexter, P.P.
Mona Eckley
Art Anstine
Mary Jane Roche
Richard Hecox

#### VIP'S

Bob Hoblit Jim Oliver





#### RV ROAMERS

#### BY J. & J. TAYLOR

On January 10<sup>th</sup> RV Roamers met on Zoom for a gettogether with 18 people being represented: Jim & Judy T., Jim S., Ken S. & Bonnie C., Tony D., Bruce H., Roger & JoAnn B., Scott & Jannice C., Jim & Jean A., Jim O., Harold & Nicole P., along with our new Divan Rep, Grady Carter and his Lady Kim. Past Potentates, Jim Stewart and Tony Dattilo were introduced.

Bruce Hepp started with the invocation, then the minutes from our last official meeting in September were approved. The 2020 Treasurer Richard Talkington was not in attendance to present the end of the year Treasurer's report, but President Taylor gave the month's end report. Thanks to Richard and Heidi Talkington for serving as the Roamers' Treasurer for ten years; financial records and processes have been transferred to Treasurer Elect Jim Stewart.

Upcoming Roamers' activities and events included the next scheduled meeting to be held at Malone's Restaurant on February 21<sup>st</sup>. President Taylor will send out details and calendar. Members who have not yet paid their dues for 2021 should do so immediately; the members' directory will go to press very soon.

Under new business, Grady Carter and Tony Dattilo presented some information on the installation of Divan and Club/Unit officers. At the annual stated meeting scheduled for Monday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, our newly elected 2021 Potentate, Ron Williamson will conduct Unit/Club Installations. Those unit/club officers who will be present at the January 16<sup>th</sup> Unit President/Secretary/Treasurer meeting will be installed by Illustrious Sir Williamson. On the following day, January 17<sup>th</sup>, at 2PM, the formal and traditional Divan Officers' Installation will be conducted at the Highlands Lodge.

President Taylor reported that Jerry and Marolyn Kent have moved to Arizona and will no longer be able to participate with the Roamers, but they certainly want to continue being "in the loop". We'll miss both of them, and especially Jerry's "Card Bingo" presentations.

Get well wishes go to Roger, Kirsten, Judy, and to those who choose to get the new COVID vaccine. We're all going to be in great shape for our upcoming events! Which are:

Feb. – Malone's (we hope), with Tony Dattilo (and Ellen?) being the hosts.

March – New York Deli; Ken Stauffer (and we hope, Bonnie) are the hosts.

April – TBD; Potters have graciously accepted being the hosts (when we find a place).

May – Candlelight Dinner Theater will open, we hope, with Taylors as hosts.

June – KOA in Colorado City will be our first "outing", with Cromwells as hosts.

July – Mountaindale, our favorite! We hope Kohlweys will host again.

August – Ft. Collins Wellington KOA (different from the one below); Stewarts hosting.

September – Ft. Collins/Lakeside KOA (where we were last year); Umsteds hosting.

October – TBD; Jim & Sherri Marshall will host.

November – TBD with Jim Oliver and Kirsten hosting

December – Possibly Mt. Vernon again, but with their new ownership, who knows.

Our Divan Rep, Grady Carter, gave some dates of upcoming Shrine events that will be in further announcements. There was no further business, and the meeting was adjourned.





#### SANDBLASTERS OF EL JEBEL BY MATTHEW MADRID



Greetings Nobles and Ladies, HAPPY NEW YEAR!

As winter is in full swing it has been extremely quiet for the Sandblasters. The winter outing has been cancelled due to the ongoing pandemic and the health and safety of the group. Meetings have so far yet to resume but we look forward to once again meeting together as restrictions are slowly being lifted in Denver.

Our golf chairman Jim Teagarden has been working hard scheduling our 2021 golf outings and we look forward to what he has in store for the group. Thank you again for all of your hard work.

I hope everyone had a merry Christmas and happy new year. Stay safe.

The Sandblasters meet on the last Wednesday of each month at the Golden Corral at 11:30 AM on West Hampden Ave. (River Point Shopping Center).

#### EL MEJDEL TEMPLE NO. 47 DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE CAROLE BOLDUC, PQ

Happy Valentines Day

January 2021; gone already, and with all that's happened this past month, it's certainly not with regret to put it behind us. History in the making....too bad it wasn't something for which we could all rejoice; unfortunately, a dark day in our Country. That having been said, we hope you all rang in the New Year with joy and happiness, and hopefully, things will progressively get better; at least there is light at the end of the tunnel for the Pandemic to come to end with the vaccine now being available. It will be so good to get back to our normal lives again, seeing family and friends regularly. Oh....to be able to go out to lunch again and laugh with friends!

El Mejdel had their regularly-scheduled Session for January, 2021 via ZOOM, with all business being properly dispensed. All events, Unit practices and meetings have been canceled for the month of February. Depending upon State restrictions at the time, it may be possible for the March Session to be held at Highlands Masonic Lodge, however if not, it will be held again via ZOOM at the regularly-scheduled time. Updates will be forthcoming through email. We are hoping the coming month will see the beginning of some normalcy in our lives.

Enclosed in this issue of the RED FEZ is an invitation to our Open-installation of Officers for the year 2021-22. This event is still on the calendar, but tentative, and we hope you will plan to attend. Most people in our age bracket, should they so choose, will have had at least the first dose of the COVID Vaccine and that may encourage many people to join us. Just the very thought of getting together again is exciting.

### SPEND VALENTINE'S DAY WITH SOMEONE YOU LOVE!





## WESTERN COLORADO SHRINE CLUB BY STEVE THOMAS

I had a great time watching the El Jebel Zoom meeting 1/11/2021. Noble Ken Jones put on an amazing program. Looking forward to our new line of leadership. Looks like we are in great hands again if this Covid crap would just give us a break. Looks like all are playing it by ear to see what the heck happens next.

The El Jebel directory may look a little different this year as we think someone may be using some of the information in it to try and scam folks. The officers have been given the option to leave out any of their contact information they want. Seems some folks just set around all day and try to think of ways to get into peoples pockets.

Western Colorado Shrine Club had a Zoom meeting 1/12/2021 and decided to have our Installation of Officers Feb. 6th at the Consistory in Grand Junction at 1pm with COVID parodical in place. We will also induct a new Noble at this time. Welcome aboard Noble Greg Foster hope you get with a unit and have some fun, because we require that of all members. Hope to have a good turnout for our new member.

We had some discussion on staying with Denver COVID rules as we don't have the same numbers involved as Denver. That was tabled for our next fearless leader who will be Noble Michael Briscoe. Good luck Noble Michael, It's hard to soar like an eagle when you are working with a bunch of turkeys.

Nobles Steve Ganskow and John Groves are working on our Facebook site (If Facebook survives).

WCSC Clowns are planning on meeting in Feb. on the 16th at Daveto's in Delta (Good Lord willing and the Covid don't raise). This will happen at 1pm.

Tri-County is going to try to come outta the dark on 2/27/2021 at 1pm also at Daveto's in beautiful downtown Delta.

Michael says: I talk to myself, because sometimes I need expert advice.



We have had some better times.



#### Imperial First Lady Alice Smith's Project

Tie, Necklace or Bead \$40.00 each A fundraiser for Shriners Hospitals for Children.

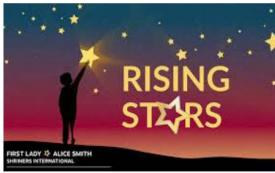






First Lady Alice Smith believes that giving our patients every possible advantage and opportunity to achieve helps them to become Rising Stars, and she is dedicated to strengthening their incredible spirits and abilities, helping them to have full, satisfying and productive lives.

At Shriners Hospitals for Children, we often introduce and provide assistive devices through various therapy programs, which help children become as independent as possible.







#### About the Women & Philanthropy Program

As women, we have an increasing ability to effect change through our own leadership and philanthropy. Women & Philanthropy empowers all women, diverse in age, interests, and backgrounds, to make a difference through a direct, participatory role.

Members recognize that by giving together, their gift goes further and has greater influence.

Membership \$500

Contact Noble Greg Rindone or Kendy Cusick-Rindone for more information or to purchase. Call: 303-694-4052 or email: rinsick@aol.com

### THE NEW EL JEBEL PLAZA BY: TONY DATTILO, P.P.

As we close out this very unusual year of 2020, we've managed to achieve a brighter spot in our family treasure of El Jebel Shriners. Thanks to the monetary donations provided by some individuals and units of our Shrine, we were able to obtain a small business contractor to complete the restoration work on our El Jebel Plaza. Our original Plaza was dedicated at our former Shrine home on May 13, 2002, providing a place where members of our Shrine family could provide a memorial, honorary or historic reminder of a person or persons who would be 'enshrined' in a place of honor in our Plaza. Since the dedication of the original Plaza in 2002, we've witnessed many changes at Jebel Shrine, including several different "configurations" of the Plaza. This latest restoration effort was facilitated to restore the dignity and honor of those Shriners and Masons whose names and/or Masonic groups were engraved in the inserts of the Plaza. The new configuration provides a visible presence in the landscape near the entryway of our building within the purview of our American Flag, and the well-known statuary of the "Editorial Without Words".

<u>HOW DO I ORDER A BRICK?</u> The process of ordering by our Shrine family members is made easy for you. You may obtain an order blank and facilitate payment by contacting our office either by email at <u>director@eljebel.org</u>, calling the office at 303-455-3470, or one of our Trustees and Plaza coordinator, Greg Rindone, at 303-918-7299

We have been successful at obtaining a reliable, long term vendor whose mission it is to create the quality and permanent engraved bricks that will stand the tests and rigors of time, thereby providing a lasting tribute to all of our Shrine family who are enshrined and remembered within the Plaza. The process is now reactivated in which various bricks may be ordered for placement in the Plaza. Each of us should consider the purchase and placement of a brick for the Plaza, a perpetual and visible symbol of esteem for the heroes and loved ones whom we wish to honor, or perhaps as a remembrance that each of us have passed this way, a contributor, supporter and participant in the "Greatest Philanthropy in the World".



There are five levels of bricks that may be ordered. Your combination choice of a purchase level of brick, and your non-deductible donation may be identified by viewing the bricks that are currently placed in the new Plaza, and the options listed below. We have retained the original pricing for the various options of bricks as were identified in 2002. Proceeds from the orders of bricks will be exclusively utilized for the El Jebel Building Fund.

#### The five options are listed here for your information;

<u>"BRONZE LEVEL" \$100.00</u>: 'Antique Red' 4" X 8" brick with 2 lines of engraving.

(3<sup>rd</sup> line optional - \$15.00 extra).

<u>"SILVER LEVEL"</u> \$300.00: 'Imperial Beige' 4" X 8" brick with 2 lines of engraving.

(3<sup>rd</sup> line optional - \$15.00 extra).

"GOLD LEVEL" \$500.00: 'Antique Red' 8" X 8" brick with 3 lines of engraving.

<u>"EMERALD LEVEL" \$1000.00:</u> 'Imperial Beige' 8" X 8" with 3 lines of engraving.

<u>"DIAMOND LEVEL" \$1500.00 and UP:</u> 12" X 12" Black Polished Granite with 4 lines of engraving (other options available)

Watch for a short PowerPoint presentation on our El Jebel website and Facebook page of the "Before, During and After" process of constructing the new Plaza. On a personal note, it was my extreme honor to have participated in the design and construction of this project. The vivid memories of many who once graced our presence as friends and Shriners flooded in as each brick was laid in place. My profound thanks are extended to those who donated their funds to make this concept a reality. It's my sincere hope that we've been successful in honoring you, and all those whose names appear in the Plaza, as a place of visibility, dignity, honor and remembrance for all.





### Daughters of the Nile

Cordially invites you to the
Open Installation of Officers
When Princess Royal, Annette Stewart
Will be crowned
Queen of El Mejdel Temple No. 47
On Saturday, March 20, 2021
At 1:00 PM

Highlands Masonic Lodge 3550 Federal Boulevard Denver, CO

Reception to follow in lower ballroom

Glenda Mattern, PQ Queen



Pr. Connie Strand Pr. Recorder

#### **EL JEBEL MOTOR CORPS**

(Cooler Nobles, Jeep Patrol, Keystone Kops,

Motor Patrol)

Congratulations to Illustrious Sir Ron Williamson and the 2021 Divan of El Jebel Shrine. We look forward to the "Fun in 21" and will support your efforts as needed.

It is with a heavy heart that I must inform you that Kemry Wait's wife passed away in November. He has been a long time Jeep Patrol member. Please keep him and his family in your heart and prayers.

COVID-19 has claimed the St. Patrick's parade as its latest victim. Hopefully we will be able to get out later in the year (only time will tell).

As things begin to reopen, we will begin to meet again. If you have an idea about where and when call 303-514-2102.

Chief Rabban Ken Jones is working hard on the 2021 Raffle and hopefully soon he and his team will have a direction and course of action to follow. Different? Yes! Needed? Absolutely! Involvement will be the key to its success.

We have not sent out any dues notices as of yet but will do so in the coming months. The Garage rent has been paid through 2021 and outside of updating and repairing vehicles we really don't have any bills.

As always should you need help getting around or need supplies picked up call 303-514-2102 and Motor Corps will do it's best to assist. We are few but we will help where we can during this changing time.





#### Nobles & Ladies, we are looking for HELP!!!

- Membership
- Temple Website
- Red Fez
- . Proofreading
- . Temple Articles
- . Layout
- . Printing
- . And many more items......
- Front Desk– answering the phone etc.

Contact: El Jebel Office 303-455-3470



### DIRECTOR'S STAFF SIGN SHOP BADGES AND SIGNS

The Director's Staff Sign Shop is open for business!

We can make name badges and/or sign(s) for most of your Shrine units as well as most Masonic organizations (ex. Blue Lodge, York Rite, OES, Amaranth, Daughters of the Nile, DeMolay, Job's Daughters, Rainbow Girls, etc.),

In the window conference room in the member's lounge (2<sup>nd</sup> floor) of El Jebel Shrine, in the bottom mail boxes are request forms for the name badges and signs. Please fill out the request forms with the requested information and place the completed form in the bottom right side of these mail boxes.

The mailbox is checked regularly for requests and then they are scheduled for completion.

Upon completion of your request for badges or signs, you will be notified and arrangements can be made for the pickup of your order and you will receive an invoice for payment along with your completed order.

Any questions or comments may be directed to Jim Oliver 720-333-6446 or jw.oliver@comcast.net



If interested in running an ad or recruiting ads, they may be placed in the monthly publication of the Red Fez Classifieds Section

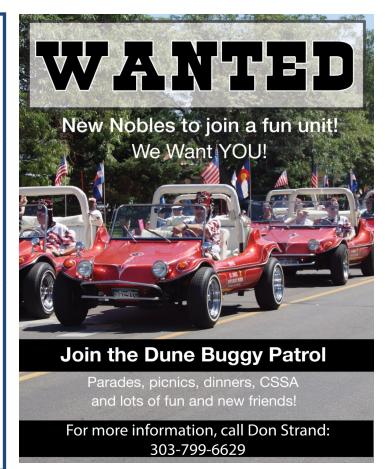
You can advertise items for sale, services offered, services needed, announcements, real estate, notices.....whatever

This is the width of the Classified Section—two columns wide. It will be extended to whatever length necessary to accommodate all ads, even business card size

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Call the Shrine Office—303-455-3470 or email: office@eljebel.org or director@eljebel.org for pricing and to place your ad.

Points can be earned for all sold ads









# February 2021

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