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Che Potentate's Message bv Travis Freeman

Greetings from Newberry Nobles,



It was a busy summer of travel representing the Nobility of the Upper Peninsula, First Lady Sarah and myself along with Super Paige attending Imperial Session in Minneapolis Minnesota July 1 st through the 7 th where we celebrated Independence Day with thousands of Nobles, Ladies and Families.



Above: Illustrious Potentate Freeman celebrated Independence Day with Imperial Potentate Bill Bailey along with Super Paige Freeman, Chair of the Ahmed Kids Club.

2022 was an incredible time to be your Potentate and to be able to share in the celebration of the

100th Anniversary of Shriners Hospitals for Children/Shriners Children's as well as the 150th Anniversary of Shriners International. It will be a life long honor to be asked by Imperial Shrine Marketing and Communications to host the 2022 Imperial Shrine Parade from downtown Minneapolis. If you missed the broadcast you can view it here: https:// www.facebook.com/ shrinersinternational/ videos/398810802063722

Here's a few photo highlights from Imperial Session:



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Illustrious Potentate Freeman Live on the Shriners International Social Media Platform covering Imperial Session Parade from Downtown Minneapolis Tuesday July 5, 2022.

Official Call Of The Potentate

Notice is hereby given that the next scheduled Stated Sessions of Ahmed Temple A.A.O.N.M.S.

Stated Meetings

Friday, November 11th 7:30 pm Stated Meeting - Marquette

Friday, December 9th Annual Meeting - Marquette 6:00pm Dinner -7:00 pm Meeting

For the transaction of such business as may come before the Temple By Order of Travis T. Freeman, Ill. Potentate Ahmed Temple



Illustrious Potentate Freeman, Interviewing Imperial Potentate (Elect at the time), Kenny Craven, During Imperial Session Parade.



Illustrious Potentate Travis T. Freeman received his Masters Certificate on July 5, 2022 from Shriners International for completing the Education Foundation 2021 Noble Academy for Membership and Marketing.

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There were only two other Michigan Shriners to graduate from the Academy including Ahmed Shrine Membership Director Corey Curtiss! We would like to extend our congratulations to III. Potentate Freeman and Noble Curtiss on their substantial accomplishment.

August 17th through the 20th my summer travel continued to Green Bay for Midwest Shrine Association Summer Session 2022. I was joined by First Lady Sarah, along with Super Paige and Past Potentate III. Roger A. Juntunen, Past President of Midwest Shrine Association, and Lady Linda and Past Potentate Robert Morrison along with his Lady Cheryl.

Here's a few photo highlights from Midwest Shrine Association Summer Session 2022:





Labor Day Weekend Imperial Sir Larry Leib extended an invitation to attend the Michigan State Fair and Shrine Circus. It was an honor to represent Ahmed Shrine in Novi. They invited me to be Honorary Ring Master for the Sold Out midday Circus with 3000 people in attendance. It was an outstanding opportunity to showcase Masonry and the Shriners to a large number of people!

Here's a few photo highlights from my time representing Ahmed Shine at the Michigan State Fair on the next page:

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I would like to thank Imperial Sir. Larry Leib, Shrine Circus Manager Craig Stigleman and Joe Kish Circus Director along with the Nobles of Moslem Shrine for the first class hospitality they extended to family. As of press time I'm preparing to represent Ahmed Shrine on my first International Visit of my term as Potentate. I'll be attending Mocha Shriners Ceremonial on September 23rd through September 25th in Sault Ste. Marie Ontario. I look forward to being with our Soo Shrine Club Nobles as well as the Nobles of Mocha Shrine in Ontario Canada. Then turning my thoughts to October 15th for our Fall Ceremonial in Escanaba. We already have applications for membership turned in part of the Grand Masters All Degree Day. You don't want to miss this historic day in Michigan Masonry! A non-Mason can receive all three Degrees, join Scottish Rite with a special LIVE 4° and join Ahmed Shrine ALL IN ONE DAY! WMGM Lenard Davis will be in attendance along with WMGM of Michigan Prince Hall Masons Roderick Anderson, visiting the Upper Peninsula for the very first time. Let's pack the Quality Inn of Escanaba and show our guests what U.P. Hospitality is all about. Details about the Upper Peninsula (Continued on page 7)

(Continued from page 6) Fall Masonic Weekend are included in this newsletter. Communications for 2022: We will feature two Ahmedian Email Newsletters per month and will mail The Ahmedian once per guarter in 2022. Our next Ahmedian will be in your mailbox at the end of December featuring events for January, February and March 2023. If you are not receiving our email updates please email Editor Bill LeVegue at bill.leveque@gmail.com so we can add you to the list. We will also post late breaking information on our Facebook page @AhmedShriners We have over 300 Ahmed Shrine members and look forward seeing some new faces and visiting with old friends in 2022 as we get Back to the Fun and Helping Kids!

Warm Regards in the Sunshine of Ahmed Shrine,

Travis Freeman

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Oriental Guide By Barrett Engle

Hello Illustrious Sirs and Nobles all,



I hope you've all had a great summer! I wanted to bring our next big fundraising opportunity to your attention. This year we will be doing our first Feztival of Trees. Feztivals are common throughout Shrinedom and are often a hugely successful event. As with any fun-draiser. We will need your buy in and support. This could be an excellent way for Ahmed to put a few bucks back in its coffers. Please take a look at the flyers, rules, etc.

Just think, if each noble talked just one business or group into participating, we would have 300+ trees with total available prizes worth over \$150,000. That would go a long way towards putting Ahmed back on the right track financially. I hope Ahmed can count on your support!

Barrett Engle Oriental Guide

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Recorder Report By Ryan Engle, P.P

How is being at the singles bar different from going to the



circus? At the circus the clowns don't talk.

Though not completely true I found it hilarious.

What do you call the pink gooey stuff between an elephants toes? Slow Clowns!!!

Sorry had to start things off on a lighter foot. Size 10 1/2 not 22.

We have a road to travel as I look toward the future of the shrine and masonry. We are a dwindling breed. We need to turn our sights to membership. It is the key for all of us if we wish to keep the dream alive and keep our masonic bodies strong. October 15 th is the next time to bring in Members to both the Lodge and the SHRINE. Bring your candidates we need to build our ranks. I am asking you all to look around and see if there is a good mason that you know that could help us continue our mission and grow. We all know a man that would fit the mold of a good upstanding man that wants to use his talents to provide support to over 300 kids across

the U.P. If we don't do it no one will.

This journey has been an interesting, not because of the places that I have been but because of the people that I have met. It has reminded me of the reason that we work hard to raise dollars and build membership. We do this for the kids. We do this to support and take care of children that cannot afford or whose families would be burdened by the cost of treatment. We are heroes in their eyes. Remember that you as a member of this great fraternity are a hero to over 1 million patients across the world and over 300 hundred children in the Upper Peninsula.

We have several in our ranks now as adults now having fun and helping kids themselves. They are now being the heroes like you were for them. Don't forget the reason that we are here. We do have the opportunity to save Ahmed and our Fraternity. Ahmed is looking at opportunities to get stronger as a membership, as well as look to build a stronger financial future. We need some help from you the Nobles. I would ask that you continue to have fun. I can say that the more fun you have wearing the shrine colors, the stronger the fraternity will be. We will find that things

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will get easier, if we are having fun together while wearing a shrine shirt, a fez, a unit hat, driving a car in a parade, or just stopping in at an old friend's house and saying hello. These things build strong bonds between people and show others that are not members that there is a reason to be a Mason and a Shriner. The Philanthropy is not the only reason to be a Shriner. The rest is the fun and fellowship. Thanks you for reading my ramblings. Thank you for being a member of this great group of Men and Masons. And thank you for all of the work that you have done in the past. I look forward to seeing more in the future.

Ryan Engle, P.P. / Recorder

Black Camel Call In Memoriam



Ray Hirvonen April 11, 2022

Tom McNabb June 9, 2022

Cliff Lambert August 13, 2022 High Priest & Prophet By Andy Peden



Greetings Nobles!

Hopefully this summer has treated all of you well and finds you in the best health and spirits possible. It's really been fun seeing all of the pictures so many of our members have posted of their travels and wonderful times over the last couple months. Like many of our children heading back to school, it's time for all of us to buckle down and make the end of the year count. With a number of events lined up throughout the end of the year, we have an opportunity to all contribute and make the most of the remaining months of 2022. Hopefully with good attendance and contributions from all of the Nobility we can set a base for Ahmed to build an even better year for 2023. I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible in the upcoming months!

Andy Peden,



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Shrine Hospital Chairman By James Loman



Greetings from all of us at the Twin Cities Ambulatory Care Center!

This last quarter has been quite busy with the Imperial Session in town, giving opportunity to showcase our space, to finally gaining approval for community direct referrals in Therapy (this is a significant step forward in advancing our operations in providing care to more children). We look forward to adding direct referrals with POPS and Imaging as well.

Other focus has been on bringing new staff into support roles, developing a broader Midwest market of shared resources and recruiting new providers for our Blank Children's location in Des Moines and a new medical director for the Twin Cities as Dr. Lael Luedtke has taken position with our Springfield location and Dr. Mike Priola and family moved

to Atlanta, GA.

The remainder of this year has us continuing to build our distributive model of care with more affiliate partnerships in NE, SD, MN and WI, aligning with Vision 2035 of being able to see more kids in more places. Operational planning for 2023 is also in its final swing with a 2023 Strategic Plan completed and Budget that will go forward for approval by the Joint Boards in November.

We continue to enjoy serving the kids, caregivers and drivers, when needed and hope the drivers enjoy the addition of cable TV in the drivers lounge.

Thank you for all you do to continue to support Shriners Children's and keeping the communication open.

David J. Voller, MBA, FACHE Clinic Administrator Shriners Children's Twin Cities



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10/01/22 Mackinac Island Retreat

Postponed due to hotel occupancy issues.

- 10/15/22 Ahmed Shrine Fall Ceremonial (Flyer on Cover Pg) Grand Masters Any Degree Day Quality Inn and Suites, Escanaba
- 10/22/22 Kids Halloween Party (See Flyer on Page 10)
- **11/11/22 November Stated Meeting/Annual Budget Meeting** 5:30pm Annual Budget Meeting 7pm Stated Meeting Via Zoom (Link to follow)
- **12/09/22 Annual Meeting Upper Peninsula Masonic Center** Dinner 6pm - Meeting at 7pm.

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