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OFFICAL CALL
of the
MIDWEST SHRINE ASSOCIATION
Ninety Third Annual Winter Business Session
Hosted by
ZOR SHRINERS, Madison WI
March 1 & 2, 2024

The business session will be held at
RADISSON HOTEL and LA CROSSE CENTER
200 Harborview Plaza
La Crosse WI 54601
608-784-6680

Dated this 28th day of November 2023

Association Purpose; To engender greater fellowship and knowledge among the Midwest Shrine Centers and their members; and to secure greater recognition of the institution of Shiner's International throughout the territory of this association

The Chief Rabban of each Shrine Center is responsible to ensure all delegates have registered and housing rooms have been requested through the MSA Secretary/Treasurer by his shrine center using the registration and housing forms provided. Fees for registration and rooms are in **US FUNDS**.

REGISTRATION: Registration for the 2024 MSA Winter session is \$116.80/person (US Funds) which includes Breakfast, Lunch, and Banquet on Friday as well as Breakfast on Saturday and access for delegates into the sessions. Nobles who are not registered will not be provided with meals. All meals will be in the Radisson Hotel La Crosse.

HOUSING; The Radisson Hotel La Crosse is the host hotel and the MSA has blocked a total of 124 guestrooms for Thursday and Friday nights, - 65 King Singles \$136.85/night (20 can be converted into doubles with a cot) & 57 Queen Doubles at a cost of \$159.85/night (US Funds). Overflow Hotel is the Home 2 by Hilton across the street from the convention center (3/4 Block from Radisson, room rates are \$148.55 Single or double.

HOSPITALITY ROOMS; Zor Shriners have arranged for a room on the second floor as the MSA Temples hospitality room which they will partner/split the costs with Wawa Shriners, Kem Shriners, and Aad Shriners. If other Temples wish to have a hospitality room King Single guest rooms will be used at the rate of \$136.85/night plus a \$75.00 for removal of furniture.

All rooms will be reserved and assigned to Shrine Centers in order of registration being received. Checkout is 11:00 AM (extended checkout with fee may be available, check at front desk) luggage storage is available.

The deadline for registration and housing requests is January 17, 2024. Room Requests and Delegate Registrations are due to the Secretary Treasurer by 5:00 PM, Wednesday January 17, 2024. The Shrine Centers will be invoiced based upon registrations as of that date. Rooms requested after this date may not be available in this hotel or at the MSA Rate.

AIRPORT: La Crosse has a Regional Airport that is serviced by American Airlines out of Chicago

DRIVING; Vehicle and Bus Parking is Available in the Hotel Parking Lot.

PAST M.S.A. OFFICERS: All Past M.S.A. officers **must register and make room reservations through their own Shrine Centers.**

IMPERIAL OFFICERS: At this time, MSA has not been advised which Imperial officers will be attending.

LADIES: The MSA Winter business session is a stag event. There are no activities planned or arranged for the ladies or families during MSA Winter Business Sessions.

ROOMS: Room rates (US Funds) are indicated above and on the Housing registration form. The M.S.A. Sec/Treas. will attempt to honor all special room type requests based on receipt date of housing form provided by the Shrine Center.

General Information

Meals – Meals are provided for registered delegates only. Each registered delegate will be provided with a name tag which must be visible for access to meals. General delegates breakfast buffet will be held in the Radisson Ballroom beginning at 7:00 AM and closing at 8:15 both Friday and Saturday mornings.

The Potentates, Chief Rabbans, Assistant Rabbans, High Priests & Prophets, Oriental Guides and Treasurers/Recorders will have their individual counterpart's breakfast on Friday March 1, 2024, at 7:00 AM. (Rooms to be confirmed). This time can be used by those groups to discuss activities for the year or any matters they wish to present at the General Business session.

Friday's Lunch and the Banquet will be held in the Radisson Hotel Ballroom.

The M.S.A. Executive Committee; will meet for breakfast at 7:00 AM on Saturday morning March 2, 2024, in the Wisconsin 1&2 Room. *Executive Committee Members are; M.S.A. elected officers, Past M.S.A. Officers, Imperial Officers and member Temple Potentates/designate.*

The Chairman of the Nominating Committee will be the Potentate of the El Riad Shriners, the temple scheduled to host the Midwest Shrine Association Session in 2028. He will nominate the complete slate of MSA officers for the ensuing year which includes the President, the 4 Vice Presidents and the Secretary Treasurer.

Membership; As part of the ongoing issue of dwindling membership and the importance of each Shrine Temple to increase membership, there will be a membership presentation as part of the main session. In 2018 and 2020 no Temples in the MSA achieved a positive gain, in 2021 El Riad was the only MSA Temple to have a positive gain and in 2022 Beja and Osman received positive gains.

The Midwest Shrine Motor Corp Association: will hold their winter business meeting on Friday, March 1, 2024, following the recess of the main session (10:30), break for lunch at 12:00 Noon and may resume after lunch as necessary.

The Midwest Clown Association: will hold their winter business meeting and workshop on Friday, March 1, 2024, following the recess of the main session (10:30), break for lunch at 12:00 Noon and may resume after lunch as necessary.

Boat Races: The annual MSA Boat Races sponsored by Khartum Shriners will be held Friday March 1, 2024 following the banquet. They will be held in the indoor pool area on the Main Floor of the Radisson Hotel with the holding area for prospective sailors in the Iowa Room second floor.

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Friday March 1, 2024

7:00 to 8:15 General Delegates Buffet Breakfast (Radisson Hotel)
Counterparts Breakfast – Potentates, Chief Rabbans, Asst. Rabbans, High Priests & Prophets, Oriental Guides and Treasurer & Recorders.
(Locations to be announced in the official program)

8:30 to 10:00 General Business Session (La Crosse Center)
Call to Order
Place the Colors
Shrine Pledge of Allegiance
Invocation,
Installation of Sergeant-at-Arms
Welcome to Winter Session
Representative(s) City of La Crosse
Nomination, election and installation of M.S.A Officers
Report of Nominating Committee – Potentate El Riad Shriners
Installation & Presentation of Jewels to Elected MSA Officers
Remarks by; Outgoing President Norte and the newly elected 4th Vice President.
Memorial Service - Chaplin Zor Shriners
Reports from Counterparts Breakfast requiring action
Recess General Business Session Until Saturday Morning at 8:30 AM

10:00 to 4:30 Plenary Presentations, (La Crosse Center)
Marketing and Communications Presentation
Jurisprudence, Laws, Grievances and Appeals
Hospital/Patient Presentation
Temple Budgeting and Finance
Membership Presentation

Reports for all Standing Committee, Association Group and Counterpart Meetings:
A secretary or note taker shall be assigned by the meeting Chairman/facilitator for purpose of taking minutes or notes at the meeting. To be part of the proceedings they must submit a legible hand written report to the M.S.A. Secretary. **Friday reports due by 6:00 PM Friday, Saturday reports due by 11:00 AM Saturday. Any Standing Committee that has an item/issue that require approval of the voting delegates must be given in writing to the Secretary/Treasurer by 6:00 PM Friday.**

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FRIDAY, MARCH 1, 2024 Standing Committees and Association meetings

The following are the Standing Committees identified to be held during this session;

Audit & Per Capita
Director Generals/Chief of Staffs
Stop Burns Injury
Shrine Fund Raising

The following are the Unit Association Meetings which will be held during this session;

Midwest Shrine Association Motor Corps; 10:30 – 12:00 & 1:30 – 4:30
Midwest Shrine Clown Association; 10:30 – 12:00 & 1:30 – 4:30

12:00 – 1:15 Luncheon

Blessing – Zor Chaplin
Introduction and comments
 candidates for Imperial Outer Guard
 candidates for Board of Trustees

Seminars, Standing Committees & Association Meetings Reconvene (As Required)

**All Seminars, Standing Committees and Association Meetings to Adjourn no later than
4:45 PM.**

Hospitality rooms to be closed at 6:00PM until after the banquet.

6:00 to 7:00 Social Time Foyer outside banquet room (Radisson Hotel)
Cash Bar with Hors d'oeuvres hosted by El Riad Shriners and newly
installed 4th Vice President

7:10 Friday Evening Banquet
Seating of head table & toasts
Blessing
Dinner
Introductions
Presentations of awards and trophies
Keynote Speaker – Imperial Potentate/Delegate

10:00 Boat Races – Poolside in the Radisson Hotel Hosted by Khartum Shriners

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Saturday MARCH 2, 2024

**7:00 to 8:15 General Delegates Breakfast Buffet (Radison Hotel)
Executive Committee Breakfast Meeting - Imperial Officers, M.S.A.
Officers, Past M.S.A. Officers, Potentates, (Chief Rabbans as guests).**

Business Session Reconvenes: (La Crosse Center)

8:30 Call to Order

**Invocation Zor Chaplin
Announcements – Secretary Treasurer
Boat Race Report – Khartum Shriners
Shrine Fundraising Association report**

Final report 2023 Summer Session Osman Shriners

**Update & Invitation to Summer Session 2024
Zor Shriners, Madison Wisconsin**

Status and update of the Shrine - Imperial Officers

General Business
Business from floor or executive meeting requiring action
Report of Audit & Per Capita Committee
Report of Time and Place Committee
2025 Wawa
2026 Kem
2027 Aad
President's Closing Remarks
Benediction

12:00 Adjournment

Lunch on your own

Past MSA Officers

Presidents

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| *1930 H H Ellsworth, El Zagal | *1932 Lee R Girton, El Riad | *1933 A G Brainbridge, Zuhrah |
| *1934 W A Johnson, Khartum | *1935 J H McNicol, Kem | *1936 W G Seeger, Osman |
| *1937 W W Innis, Wawa | *1938 W T Clark, Yelde | *1939 Jay B Allen, El Riad |
| *1940 T G Houston, Naja | *1941 Lee A Porter, Zuhrah | *1942 W W Wilson, Abu Bekr |
| *1943 W W Wilson, Abu Bekr | *1944 Clarence Harley, Aad | *1945 Charles Foster, Osman |
| *1946 James Peterson, Zor | *1947, Wm J Kowler, Khartum | *1948 Henry Galvertson, El Zagal |
| *1949 Charles Draeger, Yelduz | *1950 Tom Harkinson, El Riad | *1951 C W Cottingham, Abu Bekr |
| *1952 Paul Lundgren, Kem | *1953 William J Klein, Zuhrah | *1954 Glenn S Locker, Aad |
| *1955 Arthur J Lush, Khartum | *1956 Glenn Stehens, Zor | *1957 George R Hunter |
| *1958 Stanley Atkinson, Wawa | *1960 Art C Johnson, El Zagal | *1961 Art B James, Yelduz |
| *1962 Milo Bergeson, Abu Bekr | *1963 Ernest J Kahler, El Riad | *1964 Dave Robertson, Kem |
| *1965 Geo Van Wagenenn, Zuhrah | *1966 Plamer Hegvold, Aad | *1967 Archie McMillian, Khartum |
| *1968 G G Neugebauer, Naja | *1969 Lester Lee, Zor | *1970 Harry Duckett, Wawa |
| *1971 John Hanna, Osman | *1972 Howard B Myhre, El Zagal | *1973 John Batten, Yelduz |
| *1974 Bob Whiteside, Abu Bekr | *1975 Albert Eggers, El Riad | *1976 John Murie, Kem |
| *1977 John Norton, Zuhrah | *1978 Catl Erickson, Aad | *1979 R R Spear, Khartum |
| *1980 Glen Best, El Riad | *1981 Kenneth L Svee, Zor | *1982 Ken McMillian, Wawa |
| *1983 Win Mitchell, Osman | *1984 Ed Anderson, El Zagal | *1985 Robert Johnson, Yelduz |
| *1986 Rex E Pearson, Abu Bekr | *1987 Art Kriens, El Riad | *1988 C L Bud Linfoot, Kem |
| *1989 Donald A Nelson, Zuhrah | 1990 C Roger Emerson, Aad | *1991 Alan D Boulton, Khartum |
| *1992 Howard Wrigley, El Zagal | *1993 Wesley D Sorensen, Naja | *1994 L R Les Tendler, Wawa |
| *1995 Roy C Eisemann, Zor | *1996 Forest Preston, Yelduz | *1997 Allen I Koenig, Osman |
| 1998 Harold Higham, Abu Bekr | *1999 Clay Edmondson Khartum | 2000 Dale Stauss, Kem |
| 2001 Donald Brandt, Aad | *2002 Kent Morstad, El Riad | *2003 Henry H Gykenblad, Zuhrah |
| 2004 Monte Rutledge, El Zagal | *2005 David Valandry, Naja | *2006 R Garth Sanders, Wawa |
| *2007 Dayton Dick Jones, Zor | *2008 DeWayne Storley, Yelduz | *2009 John Perkins, Osman |
| 2010 Roger Schultz, Abu Bekr | 2011 Fraser Woodward, Khartum | 2012 Al Niepsted, Kem |
| 2013 Steve Kovacic, Aad | 2014 David Neiman, El Riad | 2015 Lowell Thompson El Zagal |
| 2016 Roger Juntunen, Ahmed | 2017 Ted Martz, Zuhrah | 2018 John Jackson, Naja |
| 2019 Alan Grupe, Yelduz | 2020 John Clarke, Wawa | 2021 Joe Petersen, Abu Bekr |
| 2022 E Rusty Mitchell | 2023 Larry Norte Osman | |

Secretary/Treasurers

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| *1930 Charles A Dawson, El Zagal | *1932 Jay B Allen, El Riad |
| *1945 Moe, (Last Name Only) | *1966 Wallace A Tenquist, Aad |
| *1969-1970 William A Dodge, Osman | *1971-1973 Ervin L Haase, Zuhrah |
| *1974-1979 Emil Koehn, El Riad | *1980-1984 R B Jones, Aad |
| *1985-1989 Wallace G Dunker, Yelduz | *1990-1994 M Ettinger, Aad |
| 1995-1998 E T Tom FjIde, Zuhrah | *1999-2003 Dayton Dick Jones, Zor |
| *2004-2013 Del Kroon, El Riad | 2013 - Don Thomson, Khartum |



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Zor Shriners, Madison WI – 2024
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Wawa Shriners, Moose Jaw SK – 2025
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Kem Shriners, Grand Forks ND – 2026

Aad Shriners, Duluth MN - 2027

2024 Imperial Session June 30th - July 4th

Reno Nevada