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OFFICAL CALL
of the
MIDWEST SHRINE ASSOCIATION
Ninety Fourth Annual Winter Business Session
Hosted by
WAWA SHRINERS, Regina SK
February 21 & 22, 2025

The business session will be held at
Temple Gardens Hotel & Spa
24 Fairford St. E.
Moose Jaw, SK, Canada S6H 0C7

Dated this 28th day of November 2024

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 Shriner'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 **registrations** are in **US FUNDS each Temple will be invoiced and is payable to the MSA Sec/Treas.** Fees for **housing** are in **Cdn Funds direct to the Hotel on the Credit Card provided.**

REGISTRATION: Registration for the 2025 MSA Winter session is \$133.50/person (US Funds payable to the MSA Sec/Treas) 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 Temple Gardens Hotel & Spa. This year registration will be limited to 184 attendees, this is the maximum seating allowed for meals in the banquet hall.

HOUSING; The Temple Garden and Spa is the host hotel and the MSA has blocked a total of 100 guestrooms for Thursday and Friday nights, - 31 King Singles (5 can be converted into doubles with a cot), 61 Queen Doubles, 3 Queen Doubles with a pull out (allows for 3 persons). All guest rooms are \$211.88 (Canadian Funds) as indicated 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.

HOSPITALITY ROOMS; Wawa Shriners have arranged for the Skywalk room in the annex as the MSA Temples hospitality room which they will partner/split the costs with Wawa Shriners, Kem Shriners, Aad Shriners and El Riad Shriners. If other Temples wish to have a hospitality room King Single guest rooms will be used however no furniture can be removed.

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, 2025. Room Requests and Delegate Registrations are due to the Secretary Treasurer by 5:00 PM, Friday January 17, 2025. 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. Temples may incur a penalty for cancellation of guestrooms after this date.

FLIGHTS: Regina is the nearest International Airport and is serviced by West Jet (direct from Minneapolis) and Air Canada. Wawa Shriners will provide a shuttle service to take you from Regina Airport to Moose Jaw and return. You must provide Nobles Names, Airline, Flight Number, Date and Time for both arrival and departure.

DRIVING; Vehicle parking is available in the Hotel Parking Lot at \$5.00 per day. Limited Bus parking is available about a block away from the hotel.

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.

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 Salon A & B on the main floor beginning at 7:00 AM and closing at 8:30 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 February 21, 2025 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 Salon A & B

The M.S.A. Executive Committee; will meet for breakfast at 7:00 AM on Saturday morning February 22, 2025 (room to be confirmed). *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 Zagal Shriners, the temple scheduled to host the Midwest Shrine Association Session in 2029. 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 for each Shrine Temple to increase membership, there will be an interactive 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, February 21, 2025, following the recess of the main session (10:30), break for lunch at 11:45 AM and resume after lunch as necessary, (room to be confirmed).

The Midwest Clown Association: will hold their winter business meeting and workshop on Friday, February 21, 2025, following the recess of the main session (10:30), break for lunch at 11:45 AM and may resume after lunch as necessary, (room to be confirmed)

Boat Races: The annual MSA Boat Races sponsored by Khartum Shriners will be held on Friday February 21, 2025 at 9:30 following the banquet. The location and assembly point for prospective sailors has yet to be confirmed with the Hotel.

Hocket Game; For those nobles staying Saturday night February 22, Aaron Ruston DG for Wawa Shriners is making arrangements for those who want to purchase tickets to the 2024 Western Canadian Hockey League Champion Moose Jaw Warriors vs the Calgary hitman. If interested contact Arron Ruston email arustonmsa2025@gmail.com

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Friday February 21, 2025

7:00 to 8:30 General Delegates Buffet Breakfast – Salon A & B
Counterparts Breakfast – Potentates, Chief Rabbans, Asst. Rabbans, High Priests & Prophets, Oriental Guides and Treasurer & Recorders.
(Locations to be announced in the official program)

8:45 to 10:15 General Business Session – Mezzanine Ballroom

Call to Order
Place the Colors
Shrine Pledge of Allegiance
Invocation,
Installation of Sergeant-at-Arms
Welcome to Winter Session
Representative(s) City of Moose Jaw Saskatchewan
Nomination, election and installation of M.S.A Officers
Report of Nominating Committee – Potentate El Zagal Shriners
Installation & Presentation of Jewels to Elected MSA Officers
Remarks by; Outgoing President Cuskey and the newly elected 4th Vice President.
Memorial Service - Chaplin Wawa Shriners
Reports from Counterparts Breakfast requiring action
Recess General Business Session Until Saturday Morning

10:30 to 4:30 Plenary Presentations, (Temple Garden Hotel & Spa)

Shriners Hospital for Children-Canada
Operations Presentation
Patient Presentation
Canadian Initiative Update, Vision 2035
Research Presentation
Shriners Children’s Twin Cities Update
Interactive 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, FEBRUARY 21, 2025 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

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

Midwest Shrine Association Motor Corps; 10:30 – 11:45 & 1:30 – 4:30
Midwest Shrine Clown Association; 10:30 – 11:45 & 1:30 – 4:30

12:00 – 1:15 Luncheon

Blessing – Wawa 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 4:30 PM.

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

6:00 to 7:00 Social Time in the Foyer outside Salon A & B
Cash Bar with Hors d'oeuvres hosted by El Zagal 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 – Time & Location TBC Hosted by Khartum Shriners

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Saturday February 22, 2025

7:00 to 8:15 **General Delegates Breakfast Buffet Salon A & B**
Executive Committee Breakfast Meeting - Imperial Officers, M.S.A.
Officers, Past M.S.A. Officers, Potentates/delegate

Business Session Reconvenes: Mezzanine Ballrom (2nd Floor)

8:45 **Call to Order**
Invocation Wawa Chaplin
Announcements – Secretary Treasurer
Boat Race Report – Khartum Shriners

Final report 2024 Summer Session Zor Shriners

Update & Invitation to Summer Session 2025
Wawa Shriners, Regina Saskatchewan

Status and update of the Shrine - Imperial Officers

General Business

Old Business

New Business

Business from floor or executive meeting requiring action

Report of Audit & Per Capita Committee

Report of Time and Place Committee

2026 Kem

2027 Aad

2028 El Riad

President's Closing Remarks

Benediction - Chaplin

12:00 **Adjournment**

Lunch on your own

Past MSA Officers

Presidents

*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 P 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 Tandler, 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	2024 Gary Cuskey, Zor

Secretary/Treasurers

*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 Fjilde, Zuhrah	*1999-2003 Dayton Dick Jones, Zor
*2004-2013 Del Kroon, El Riad	2013 - Don Thomson, Khartum



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(THE DREAM IS ALIVE IN 25)

Kem Shriners, Grand Forks ND – 2026

Aad Shriners, Duluth MN – 2027

El Riad Shriners, Sioux Falls SD - 2028

**151st Imperial Session June 29th - July 3rd - 2025 Atlanta
GA**