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### OFFICAL CALL

Dated this 21<sup>st</sup> day of November 2016

**MIDWEST SHRINE ASSOCIATION**  
**Eighty Sixth Annual Winter Business Session**  
 Hosted by  
**ZUHRAH SHRINERS, MINNEAPOLIS, MN**  
**February 10 & 11, 2016**

The business session will be held at  
**DOUBLETREE by HILTON**  
**BLOOMINGTON - MINNEAPOLIS SOUTH**  
**7800 NORMANDALE BOULEVARD**  
**MINNEAPOLIS MN 55439**  
**1 952 835-7800**

Our 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

**REGISTRATION:** The Chief Rabban of each Shrine Center is responsible to register his delegation with the MSA Secretary/Treasurer using the form provided. All housing reservations must be made through the MSA Secretary/Treasurer. The DoubleTree Bloomington will provide MSA with a total of 140 rooms

Standard rooms \$144.41 (single or double) and MSA has reserved 7 Rooms as Hospitality Suites \$193.12 per night (plus a flat rate fee of \$169.91 for Furniture removal plus a cost of \$2.62/chair & \$13.09/Table) (Taxes in) These are located on the ground floor near the pool. MSA suggests that Shrine Centers share Hospitality rooms.

All rooms will be reserved and assigned to Shrine Centers in order of registration received. Checkout is 12:00 pm (Limited extended checkout with fee may be available, check at front desk) there will be luggage storage.

A room reservation form is enclosed. **The deadline for registration and housing request is January 13, 2017.**

Bus Parking is Available

**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 we have not been advised which Imperial Officers will be in attendance, in the past the Imperial Potentate and 2 officers have attended.

**Ladies:** As in past years, this is a stag event, there are no activities planned for the ladies during Winter Business Session.

**Rooms & Meal Costs:** Rooms rates are indicated above and also 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. **ALL MEALS AND MEETING ROOMS ARE IN The DOUBLETREE by HILTON BLOOMINGTON MN**

**Meal costs including all taxes and gratuity (US) are as follows:**

Friday breakfast	\$ 27.49	<b><u>Any special foods allergies must be identified at the time registration is sent to the MSA Secretary/Treasurer</u></b>
Friday lunch	\$ 31.41	
Friday evening banquet	\$ 58.89	
Saturday Breakfast	\$ 27.49	
Total	\$145.28	

**Due to the expensive cost of the Box Lunch provided by the hotel, MSA is not including Saturday lunch in the meal package.** All meal coupons will be included in each Nobles registration packet. Rooms and meal reservations are due by January 13, 2017. Shrine Centers may make hotel and meal count changes up to 5:00 PM, Friday January 13, 2017. Shrine Centers will be billed based upon reservations made and meal count as of 8:00 AM January 16, 2017. Rooms requested after this date may not be available in this hotel at the MSA Rate.

## General Information

**Meals** - It is recommended that all Nobles attending the Friday Winter Session have lunch at the General Delegates luncheon; all reservations must be made through and will be billed to your Shrine Center. The Potentates, Chief and Assistant Rabbans, High Priests & Prophets, Oriental Guides and Treasurers/Recorders will have their counterpart's breakfast on Friday Feb 10, 2017. This time can be used to discuss activities for their year or any matters they wish to present at the General Business session.

**The M.S.A. Executive Committee;** will meet for breakfast at 7:00 AM on Saturday morning February 11, 2017. Executive Committee Members are; M.S.A. elected officers, Past M.S.A. Officers, Imperial Officers and member Temple Potentates. Chief Rabbans are invited to attend as guests.

**Membership Retention Seminar;** There will be another Membership Seminar facilitated by Randy Rudge held on Friday February 10, 2017 beginning at 10:00 AM, break for lunch at 12:00 Noon and resume following lunch ending by 5:00 PM

**Hospital Seminar;** This year MSA is hosting a Hospital Seminar as part of the Winter Session. The Hospital Seminar will be facilitated by Staff and Board members from the Twin Cities Hospital and will include a presentation by Dr Melke, the Patient Recruitment, Donor Relations, & Public Relations breakout sessions. This Seminar will held on Friday February 10, 2017 beginning at 10:00 AM, break for lunch at 12:00 Noon and resume following lunch and wrap up by 5:00 PM. Every Temple should have representatives attending this important seminar.

**Budgeting and Financial Planning** will be chaired by Imperial Treasurer, Imperial Sir James McConnell to assist Temples in their budget and financial planning. Shrine Centers should have a Noble who is involved in budget and financial planning for their Shrine Center attends this session.

**The Chairman of the Nominating Committee** is the Potentate of the Abu Bekr Shriners who are scheduled to host the Midwest Shrine Association Session in 2021. He will nominate a 4<sup>th</sup> Vice President (Past Potentate from Abu Bekr) in addition to the other M.S.A. Officers including the President, Vice Presidents in line to be President the year their Shrine Center hosts the Midwest Shrine Association session and the Secretary Treasurer.

**The Midwest Shrine Motor Corp Association** will hold its winter business meeting on Friday, February 10, 2017 beginning at 10:30, break for lunch at 12:00 Noon and may resume after lunch as necessary.

**The Midwest Chanters Association** will hold its winter business meeting on Friday, February 10, 2017 beginning at 10:30, break for lunch at 12:00 noon and may resume after lunch as necessary.

**The Midwest Clown Association** will hold its winter business meeting and workshop on Friday, February 10, 2017 beginning at 10:30, break for lunch at 12:00 noon and resume after lunch with wrap up at 5:00PM.

**The Midwest Oriental Band Association** will hold its winter business meeting on Friday, February 10, 2017 beginning at 10:30, break by 12:00 noon.

**The Midwest Provost Association** will hold its winter business meeting on Friday February 10, 2016 from 2:30 to 4:30.

**SBI** - The SBI award presentation will be made at Friday night banquet.

**MIDWEST SHRINE ASSOCIATION  
EIGHTY SIXTH ANNUAL WINTER SESSION  
February 10 & 11, 2017  
Doubletree by Hilton  
Bloomington - Minneapolis South**

**Friday Feb 10, 2017**

**7:00 to 8:30 Counterparts Breakfast** – Potentates, Chief Rabbans, Asst. Rabbans, High Priests & Prophets, Oriental Guides and Treasurer & Recorders.(Locations to be announced on official program)

**7:00 to 8:30 General Delegates Buffet Garden Court**

**9:00 First General Business Session – Plaza 5&6**

Call to Order  
Place the Colors  
Shrine Pledge of Allegiance  
Invocation,  
Installation of Sergeant-at-Arms  
Announcements

**9:15 Welcome** to Winter Session  
Representative(s) City of Minneapolis

**9:25 Nomination, election and installation of M.S.A Officers**  
Report of Nominating Committee – Potentate Abu Bekr Shriners  
Installation & Presentation of Jewels to Elected MSA Officers  
Remarks by; Outgoing President Juntunen and newly elected 4<sup>th</sup> Vice President.

**10:45 Memorial Service**  
Chaplin Zuhrah Shriners

**10:55 Reports from Counterparts Breakfast needing action**

**10:15 to 4:30 Membership/Retention Seminar – Location TBA**  
**Hospital Seminar – Plaza 5 & 6**

**10:15-12:00 Standing Committees and Association meetings Locations TBA**

**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.**

## **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2017, continued**

**The following are the Standing Committees which will be held (locations TBA)**

Athletic Committee  
Audit & Per Capita  
Chief of Staff, Competitions & Director Generals  
Financial Planning, Budgeting and Insurance  
Stop Burns Injury  
SCAFRA

**The following are the Association Meetings which will be held (location TBA)**

Midwest Chanters Association – 10:30 – 12:00  
Midwest Shrine Association Motor Corps; 10:30 – 12:00 & 2:30 – 4:00  
Midwest Shrine Clown Association; 10:30 – 12:00 & 2:30 – 4:00  
Midwest Shrine Association Oriental Bands: 10:30 – 12:00  
Midwest Provost Association; 2:30 – 4:00

### **12:15 to 2:15 Luncheon Garden Court**

Invocation Chaplain  
Introduction and presentation – candidates for Imperial Outer Guard  
Luncheon speaker, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Minnesota

**2:30 to 4:30 Membership and Hospital Seminars Reconvene  
Standing Committee & Association Meetings Reconvene (As Required)**

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

**6:00 to 7:00 Social Time – Plaza Mall  
Cash Bar with Hors d'oeuvres hosted by Abu Bekr Shriners and  
newly installed 4<sup>th</sup> Vice President**

**7:10 Friday Evening Banquet  
Seating of head table & toasts  
The Shrine Pledge of Allegiance  
Invocation  
Dinner  
Introductions  
Presentations of awards and trophies  
Speaker – Ranking Imperial Officer**

**9:30 Boat Races – Poolside**

## **Saturday February 11, 2017**

**7:00 to 8:30 Executive Committee Breakfast Meeting (TBA)**  
Imperial Officers, M.S.A. Officers, Past M.S.A. Officers, Potentates, (Chief Rabbans as guests).

**7:00 to 8:30 General Delegates Breakfast Buffet– Garden Court**

**Business Session Reconvenes: Plaza 5 & 6**

**8:50 Call to Order**

**8:50 to 9:05 Announcements – Secretary Treasurer**  
**Boat Race Report – Khartum Shriners**  
**S.C.F.A.R.A. report**

**9:05 to 9:25 Final report 2016 Summer Session Ahmed Shriners**

**9:25 to 9:45 Update & Invitation to Summer Session 2017**  
Zuhrah Shriners Minneapolis MN

**9:45 to 10:45 Imperial Officers – Status of the Shrine**

**10:45 to 12:00 General Business**

Business from floor or executive meeting requiring action  
Report of Audit & Per Capita Committee  
Report of Time and Place Committee  
President's Closing Remarks President  
Invocation

**12:00 Adjournment**

Because of the high cost of box lunches MSA will not be including the Saturday Lunch as part of the meal package this year. Each Temple/Noble is free to have lunch on their 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 Cottington, 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 Clayton 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 Kovasic, Aad        | 2014 David Neiman, El Riad      | 2015 Lowell Thompson El Zagal    |

### 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 Fjilde, Zuhrah    | 1999-2003 Dayton Dick Jones, Zor |
| 2004-2013 Del Kroon, El Riad        | 2014 - Don Thomson, Khartum      |



**Midwest Shrine Association**

**Shriners International**

**Zuhrah Shriners, Bloomington MN – 2017**

**Naja Shriners, Deadwood SD – 2018**

**Yelduz Shriners, Aberdeen SD – 2019**

**WaWa Shriners, Regina SK - 2020**

**Abu Bekr Shriners, Sioux City IA - 2021**