

69th GLSA Business Session Minutes

September 20, 2018

The Great Lakes Shrine Association Business Meeting was held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by President Tom Russell, Past Potentate, Saladin Shriners. The invocation was given by Third VP Fred Martin, PP, Medinah Shriners. The Saladin Legion of Honor presented the flags. All present joined in the Shrine Pledge of Allegiance

The following were introduced Dave Fahrner, Mocha, Past President; Phil Thrasher, Murat, Past President; Chuck Pierce, Tebala, Past President; Mike Donaker, Ansar, Past President; Larry Chapel, Mizpah, Secretary/Treasurer; Charles Ferguson, Moslem, 4th VP; Fred Martin, Medinah, 3rd Vice President; Brian Ball, Hadi, 2nd Vice President; William Amspaugh, Aladdin, 1st Vice President; Tom Russell, Saladin, President; Larry Leib, Moslem, Imperial Captain of the Guard; William "Bill" Bailey, Orak, Imperial High Priest & Prophet; James Smith, Ben Hur, Imperial Assistant Rabban; and Jim Cain, Al Menah, Imperial Potentate.

Rob Beahn, Cascade Township gave a warm welcome to the session and related two stories from his past in which the Shrine was involved.

Karl Knieling, general manager of the Crowne Plaza, welcomed all to the 2018 session.

Illustrious Sir Jonathon Duley, Potentate of Saladin welcomed everyone to Grand Rapids.

Illustrious Sir Charlie Ferguson read the names of those brothers and first ladies who have passed since we last met: C.A. Jack Dempsey, Ainad, Potentate 1978; Roy Wilmizig, Jr., Ainad, Potentate 1967; Orville Hommert, Ainad, Potentate 1989; William Piper, Ainad, Potentate 1990; Kenneth Judd, Ansar, Potentate 1983; Steve Maynard, Antioch, Potentate, 2004; Tom Scholl, Antioch, Potentate 2010; Harold Berg, Mohammed, Potentate 1992; Clarence Tapper, Orak, Potentate 1972; John "Jack" Drach, Syrian, Potentate 1988; Marvin Gene Kuhn, Syrian, Potentate 2005; Virgil Markley, Tadmor, Potentate 1984; Russell Gatrell, Tadmor, Potentate 1994; James E. Leeson, Tebala, Potentate 2004; R. Duncan Brown, Tebala, Potentate 1976; Vicki Berry, Elf Khurafeh, First Lady 2018; and Pam Shull, Murat, First Lady 2018. White and red roses were placed in a bud vase that was present at the Ladies Luncheon and the President's Banquet.

President Tom Russell began the business meeting. Secretary Larry Chapel gave the Credentials Committee Report. The 2017 minutes were approved as distributed.

Time and Place Committee made the following report.



Sept 18-22, 2019

Fall Ceremonial Session

Grove City, OH

Sept 9-13, 2020

Fall Ceremonial Session

Evansville, IN

Oct 6-10, 2021

Fall Ceremonial Session

St. Charles, IL

A motion to approve the Time & Place report was made, seconded and approved by a vote of the representatives.

Noble Bill Leedy gave a slide show presentation report on the 2018 GLSA Salmon Derby. The derby donated another \$5,000 to SHC. The 2019 Derby will be held on May 16-18, 2019 in Michigan City, Indiana.

President Tom Russell gave a brief report on the presentation of the No.1 Shrine Mason apron to Imperial Sir Jim Cain at Daytona Beach during the Imperial Session and the presentation of the apron to the first Lady Patsy Cain.

Illustrious Sir Larry Chapel presented the financial report as distributed to all. The Audit Committee of Isaac Demarest gave their report. Reports were approved as presented. A copy of each is attached to the minutes.

Illustrious Sir William "Bill" Amspaugh presented the budget for 2019 which was approved as presented. A copy is attached to the minutes.

There was no Old Business. Under New Business much discussion was held concerning recreating the midwinter business meeting. Numerous thoughts and options were presented for discussion. This item will be brought back up for further discussion at the 2019 session.

The following officers were elected to the following positions:

Bill Amspaugh Aladdin President

Brian Ball Hadi First Vice President
Fred Martin Medinah Second Vice President
Charles Ferguson Moslem Third Vice President
Dave Shultz Tadmor Fourth Vice President
Larry Chapel Mizpah Secretary/Treasurer

Dave Worel, Al Aska Shriners presented himself as a candidate for Imperial Outer Guard. Chuck Pittman, Yaarab Shriners, and SHC Trustee presented himself as a candidate for Imperial Trustee for SHC. Mack Griffin, Alee Shriners presented himself as a candidate for Imperial Trustee for SHC

Following lunch break, the representatives heard from the following.



Phil Wade and Nick Wladyczak presented information about SCARFA stressing that it is no longer just about circus and large fundraisers, but also about the many \$2,000 - \$15,000 fund raisers run by many of the temple clubs and units.

Rusty Petty presented information about the latest PSA's and talked about public relations.

Daniel Winter, Director of Development at Chicago shared stories of gifts to philanthropy's and not knowing where or who they may come from.

Dr. Kathy Zebracki, Chicago SHC, talked about patients coping with stress and adherence – getting the patients to do what they need to do.

Most Worshipful David Hill, Grand Master of Michigan shared the 20/20 project and the 6-step program concerning ringing new men into the fraternity.

Imperial Sir Larry Leib discussed membership and the upcoming membership meeting at Tampa.

Imperial Sir Bill Bailey talked about SHC Golf Championship and opportunities to help.

Imperial Sir Jim Smith shared a lot of information about the upcoming Imperial session to be held in Houston. He thanked all for the hospitality at the GLSA session. He also shared information about right sizing eight of our hospitals. Currently working on Boston, Cincinnati, Twin Cities, and Spokane. Starting discussions with Houston, Galveston, Tampa, and Shreveport.

Imperial Sir Jim Cain expressed his blessing for the Grand Masters, his Imperial colleagues, and the GLSA Officers. He expressed the need for good leadership. He asked for support for his program "The DeMolay Project". He encouraged members, units and clubs to purchase a brick for the walkway. He also shared thoughts on why men choose to join Masonry and the Shrine.

Illustrious Sir Brian Ball, 2nd VP, closed the session with a benediction.

On Friday morning the GLSA Officers and the Imperial Sirs visited the gravesite of Noble Gerald Ford, President of the United States where they laid a wreath at the grave. All in attendance also had a chance to hold the Fez worn by former President Ford.

The officers for 2019 were installed at the Awards Banquet by Imperial Sir Jim Cain with the assistance of Imperial Sirs Jim Smith, William Bailey, and Larry Leib. Officers installed were Bill Amspaugh, President; Brian Ball, 1st Vice President; Fred Martin, 2nd Vice President; Charles Ferguson, 3rd Vice President; Dave Shultz, 4th Vice President; and Larry Chapel, Secretary/Treasurer. A plaque was presented to Illustrious Tom Russell for his service. A gavel was presented to Illustrious Sir Bill Amspaugh.



The Traveling Golf Trophy was presented to Murat Shrine.

The shooting award went to Tom Russell.

Illustrious Sir Tom Russell presented the Melham Award to Imperial Sir John Cinotto, Murat Shrine and to Illustrious Sir Larry Chapel, Mizpah Shrine.

Larry Chapel

Larry Chapel, Secretary/Treasurer

Attachments

2017 Audit Report 2019 Budget

2017 Audit Report

Beginning Balance 1/1/17\$ \$19,883.60

Deposits 74,061.27

Checks from 1251-1256 and

91-92 and 101-127 totaling 90,679.75

Balance as of 12/31/17 \$ 3,265.12

Based on our review of the Great Lakes Shrine Association finances, we hereby certify the books are recorded properly and are consistent with standard accounting practices and Shrine Law.

Isaac Demarest, Zenobia Oriental Guide



2019 Fall GLSA Ceremonial Budget

Grove City, Ohio

September 18 - 22, 20019

Income	Cost	Qty	Total
Drury and Marriott Hotels	\$10	500	\$5,000.00
Registration	\$20	220	\$4,400.00
Meals President Banquet	\$50	200	\$10,000.00
Station Dinners	\$45	150	\$6,750.00
Ladies Luncheon	\$30	100	\$3,000.00
Parade Afterglow	\$15	250	\$3,750.00
Golf Outing	\$50	20	\$1,000.00
Pistol Competition	\$20	40	\$800.00
Market Place Booths	\$50	20	\$1,000.00
			\$35,700.00



Expenses

President Banquet Meals	\$45	200	\$9,000.00
Decorations			\$200.00
Entertainment			\$800.00
Station Dinners	\$45	150	\$6,750.00
Ladies Luncheon Meals	\$25	100	\$2,500.00
Decorations			\$100.00
Program			\$100.00
Ladies Gift	\$ 5	100	\$500.00
Bus Transportation			\$4,000.00
Meeting Rom Rental			\$200.00
Imperial GLSA Expense			\$2,000.00
GLSA Hospitality			\$800.00
Golf Outing Fees	\$45	20	\$900.00
Awards	\$ 5	20	\$100.00
Pistol Competition Range Fee	\$15	40	\$600.00
Awards	\$ 5	40	\$200.00
Horse Patrol Competition			\$1,500.00



Parade After Glow	\$15	250	\$3,750.00
GLSA Awards			\$250.00
Printing Supplies			\$1,000.00
Promotional Advertising	\$		\$300.00
			\$35,550.00