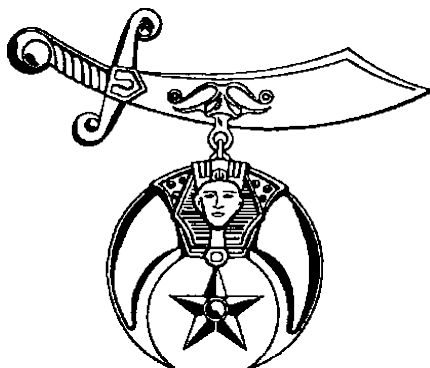


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“Desert of Florida Virtual Leadership Conference 2021”

“The Desert of Florida Today! Tomorrow! And Beyond!”

TO: Desert of Florida Illustrious Potentates, Chief and Assistant Rabbans, Temple Recorders, Temple Treasurers, Imperial Deputies of the Oases, Desert Divan, Past Illustrious Potentates, Elected and Appointed Imperial Council Officers, and all interested Nobles of the Mystic Shrine who are in good financial standing with their Temple.

SUBJECT: Desert of Florida Virtual Leadership Conference 2021

Per the Imperial Deputy of the Desert of Florida, HPIP Pierre E. Rutledge, the following information is being sent to you for your prompt action and planning purposes:

Read Everything Before You Do Anything!

The Desert of Florida Virtual Leadership Conference 2021 is scheduled for Saturday, March 20, 2021 via zoom from **11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (EDT)**. Our theme this year is *“The Desert of Florida Today! Tomorrow! And Beyond”*. The Desert of Florida Virtual Leadership Conference 2021 is designed for those in leadership positions making a difference for personal growth & professional development in the organization. Whether you are an elected or appointed officer, this year’s Leadership Conference has something for you!

Attendance: Per the Imperial Deputy of the Desert of Florida, HPIP Pierre E. Rutledge, all members in the following Desert of Florida leadership positions are strongly encouraged to register and virtually attend this invaluable Leadership Conference: Desert Divan members, Imperial Deputies of the Oases, Illustrious Potentates, Chief and Assistant Rabbans, Temple Recorders, Temple Treasurers, and all available Appointed Imperial Council Officers in the Desert of Florida. Meanwhile, Nobles who are aspiring to be in a leadership position one day, are strongly encouraged to register and attend as well.

This virtual leadership conference is open to all Nobles in the Desert of Florida who are in good financial standing with their Temple. Notably, this year’s Leadership Conference is designed to assist the Desert of Florida Leadership Team (Nobles), with networking and sharing ideas to help develop new designs for successful Desert of Florida and Imperial Council programs.

The Platform: The Desert of Florida Lecturer Department Team will be presenting via zoom, a series of leadership training and professional development topics in the following zoom (breakout room sessions):

Breakout Room #1- Imperial Deputy of the Desert of Florida: Desert Divan, Imperial Deputies of the Oases, Appointed Imperial Council Officers, and Past Potentates.

Breakout Room #2 – Illustrious Potentates.

Breakout Room #3 – Chief and Assistant Rabbans.

Breakout Room #4 – Temple Treasurers and Temple Recorders.

Note: Nobles who are in good financial standing with their Temple and not serving in any of the above listed positions, can register for any room (session)...

Advance Registration:

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Below you will find the procedure for **Advance Registration** for the Desert of Florida Virtual Leadership Conference 2021. Please follow each step accordingly to ensure that you can maximize your attendance for the event:

Step 1.

Verify that you have the latest version of zoom by clicking on the link below. Please upload the latest version if you do not have the latest version already. Just follow the instructions for updating to the latest version.

Link: <https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362233-Upgrade-update-to-the-latest-version>

Step 2:

Click on this link for **Advance Registration**: <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAsde-gqz4jHNGHIX9dXIZsGicq7JVf571J>

Once registered, you will be sent a confirmation email with a link to the Virtual Leadership Conference. **This link is specific to your email and cannot be shared with any other Nobles.** Any attempt to do so will be denied by the system.

Step 3:

On Saturday, March 20, 2021, to join the conference, click on the email confirmation link that was sent to you. During the conference, there will be four breakout rooms for attendees:

RM1: Desert Divan, Deputies of the Oases, Elected and Appointed Imperial Council Officers, Past Potentates, and any Noble that wants to attend.

RM2: Ill Potentates and any Noble that wants to attend.

RM3: Chief and Assistant Rabbans, and any Noble who wants to attend.

RM4: Temple Recorders and Temple Treasurers, and any Noble who wants to attend.

Once you join the conference on Saturday, March 20, 2021, please change your onscreen name to identify which Breakout Room you would like to attend, along with your Name and Temple Number.

This information will assist the **“Zoom Host”** to identify which room you would like to be placed in. Example: Your online screen name should be displayed as follow: **RM2, Noble Johnnie Smart, #55.**

This tells the **“Zoom Host”** you want to be assigned to Breakout Room # 2, your Name, and your Temple Number. Thank you for following these user-friendly steps to ensure a successful Desert of Florida Virtual Leadership Conference 2021.

Note: We are requesting that you comply with the established **March 13, 2021 Advance Registration Deadline** for planning purposes! If you do not register by the **Advance Registration deadline**, all registrations received after March 13, 2021 will be placed in a waiting room status before being admitted to the leadership conference.

Dress Attire: Shrine Casual/Shrine Walking Suits, etc. **No Fezzes! No Collars!**

If you have questions, concerns, special needs, or if you need more information regarding the **Desert of Florida Virtual Leadership Conference 2021**, do not hesitate to contact HPIP Michael "Road Dawg" Dozier, Desert Lecturer as soon as possible at 813.382.3416 or via email at mdozier5@verizon.net.

Special Note: On Saturday, March 20, 2021, **Advance Login will be available from 10:00 AM – 10:45AM (EDT)**. Recommend you log in prior to our 11:00 AM conference start time. We will start at 11:00 AM Promptly! Hint! Hint!

More importantly, thanks for all you do for the Desert of Florida and Shrinedom. We look forward to seeing you via zoom on Saturday, March 20, 2021 from 11:00 AM-2:00 PM (EDT) during the **Desert of Florida Virtual Leadership Conference 2021 – The best ever! #We Are Florida!**

Fraternally,

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