

## RULES AND REGULATIONS

In compliance with verbal agreement reached at the Shrine Convention at Minneapolis, Minnesota, August 6th to 10th, 1962, and sponsored by the Imperial Potentate, Booker T. Alexander, that Iowa, Minnesota, and Wisconsin, form a Tri-State Gala Day Celebration, the following has been considered and adopted at a meeting held at Waterloo, Iowa, September 1, 1963.

The decisions and concurrences were based upon previous experience and progressive motives.

### No. 1

That the Deputy of the Desert shall automatically become Chairman when the Celebration is held in his Desert.

### No. 2

The Annual Meeting must be called at sometime during the period of the festival. The Chairman or Deputy exhorting every means to see that everyone is notified.

### No. 3

All Past Potentate's will be eligible to vote and voice their opinions at the Meetings.

### No. 4

The agenda for these Meetings will be to make Rules and Regulations agreeable to the three (3) Deserts, also to hear and act upon all complaints.

### No. 5

All the financing required would be what is necessary to arrange for a meeting place, if it becomes necessary to pay.

### No. 6

The Hose Desert shall finance and in return receive all revenue obtained from the Celebration.

### No. 7

The Registration Fee shall not exceed the amount of Five Dollars (\$5.00).

### No. 8

The Celebration when once contracted, can only be broken by a vote of the Deputies after a specific reason for the withdrawal has been presented.

The following shall be mandatory:

- (a) Parade
- (b) Ball or Dance
- (c) Registration
- (d) Advanced Publicity (Brochure)
- (e) Oasis (Optional)

No. 10

That no other Temple, or Temples or Oasis of the Tri-State Gala Day, give or cause to be given, any public affair, ball or ceremonial or otherwise on the same date or dates of the Celebration, which might detract or minimize Gala Day Celebration.

No. 11

No Desert, Temple or Oasis will be permitted to give any public affair Fifteen (15) days prior to the Gala Day Celebration.

No. 12

That each State of Desert shall have its Gala Day in turn unless sufficient reasons are submitted for its rejection of the same, and these presented at least six (6) months in advance of the date of the Celebration.

No. 13

Arranged order will be as follows:

Iowa -- 1963	Minnesota -- 1964	Wisconsin -- 1965
1966	1967	1968, etc.

No. 14

Date or dates for Gala Day should be announced (when possible) at least six (6) months in advance so as to allow open dates for other activities in the Desert.

No. 15

Religious activities must be included in the Gala Day Celebrations, when not causing any denominational conflict among the Nobility.

No. 16

The Daughters of Isis must be included in the Gala Day Celebrations, but the limit of their activities will be their agreement with the Host Desert.

No. 17

Daughters of Isis will arrange their own meeting, through their Deputies, Commandress and etc., formulate such plans as desired by them and arrange a meeting with the Deputies of the Shrine to discuss any proposals beneficial to the Isis of the three (3) States or submit complaints effecting the Isis in all Deserts.

No. 18

Any one of these Rules and Regulations may be amended or repealed at the Annual Meeting of the Tri-State Gala Day Celebration.

No. 19

A quorum shall consist of nine (9) members -- as follows: Iowa three (3), Minnesota three (3), and Wisconsin three (3), including a Deputy of each State.

No. 20

In the absence of the Deputy of the Desert the Deputy of the Oasis automatically becomes presiding officer at the Annual Meeting.

No. 21

Host Temple responsible for getting minutes of Meeting out.

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No. 1. It was understood, the Deputy of the Desert head the "Gala Day" celebration... *[Faint, illegible text]*

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No. 2. To be reported... *[Faint, illegible text]*

The Deputies of the Deserts of Iowa and Minnesota of the A. E. A. O. N. S. Meeting was held Sunday, July 4, 1965, Des Moines Iowa, Headquarters for the "Gala Day" celebration, at the Brotherhood American Legion building, 13th & Center Streets.

The Meeting was opened and Chaired by Noble William J. Coney, Imperial Deputy, Desert of Iowa. Introductions of the Deputies and Illustrious Potentates were made. They are as follows:

Noble Charles Doty, Imperial Deputy of Desert of Minnesota  
Noble Sutherland, Illustrious Potentate, Fessan #126  
Noble Paul Bibe, Illustrious Potentate, Bashir #156  
Noble Clarence L. Jones, Illustrious Potentate, Zeid #90  
Noble Chalmer Lawson, Imperial Deputy, Oasis of Minnesota  
Noble Dr. J.G. Mason, Imperial Deputy, Oasis of Iowa

Remarks were made by Clarence L. Jones, Potentate #90, at the beginning of the Meeting, to give the true facts as to the relationships between the Temples of the Deserts, participating in the "Gala Day" celebration. He stated the lines of communication between the Temples were not very definite and that the exact part to be played by the Deputies and the Illustrious Potentates may not have been clearly understood and that he was very grateful for the way that Fessan Temple turned out to give such great support to the program.

Other remarks were made by members of the Temples to show that everyone agreed that the Tall Corn, 10,000 Lakes "Gala Day" celebration, could and would continue to be a successful program.

The Rules and Regulations governing the "Gala Day" celebration were read and elaborated upon.

The question of the name "Tri-States 'Gala Day' celebration" was raised, and it was brought out that Wisconsin had been contacted but were not a part of the celebration as of this date. Iowa and Minnesota would alternate in having the program.

#### Discussion regarding Regulations:

- No. 1. It was emphasized, the Deputy of the Desert head the "Gala Day" celebration Committee, the Illustrious Potentate name the Committee, the Deputy of the Oasis carry the authority for the implementation of the program from the Deputy of the Desert to the Temple. The need for communication between the Deputy of the Oasis and the Deputy of the Desert is very important.
- No. 2. Refers to Deputy of Desert.
- No. 4. Refers to Participating Deserts - by agreement.
- No. 5. To be reworded.

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No. 7. Leave the fee at \$5.00 - use discretion, give something for the fee.

No. 13. The Temples participating will alternate.

No. 15. Do not pick a Church that cannot conveniently hold the people attending the celebration. Also, suggested that letters be sent the Churches showing appreciation for the Welcome and Courtesies shown.

No. 16. Daughters should definitely be included in each program. Extent to be left to each Desert.

No. 19. Quorum to be changed to eight (8). Four (4) from each Desert.

No. 21. New Regulation.

**"Host Temple responsible for the minutes of the Deputies Meeting. Each Temple to receive a copy."**  
The rest of the Regulations not listed were left as drawn up.

The Meeting was closed by the Deputy of the Desert of Iowa, William J. Coney. Dates of the 1966 "Gala Day" celebration to be announced by the Deputy of the Desert of Minnesota.

Past Potentate, Dr. Lewis A. James,  
Acting Secretary

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No. 2. Refer to Deputy of Desert.

No. 3. Refer to Participating Deserts - by agreement.

No. 4. To be rewarded.

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