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# WA WA SHRINE WARBLINGS

REGINA, SASKATCHEWAN, CANADA



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# Potentate's Message



G. L. Gerry Hodges, Potentate, 2006

Where has the time gone, it's the end of July and a number of things have happened since my last column for the Warblings.

As most of you know the June Ceremonial was reorganized at the last minute, because of the small class of 13 candidates. I welcome these 13 new Nobles, and encourage you to get involved with every aspect of your Shrine Club. "Remember"

Shriners Having Fun and Helping Kids" and that means you, new and seasoned Nobles alike. This one-day ceremonial was appreciated by those involved. The Divan did a very good job of adjusting to the circumstances and I thank Assistant Rabban Richard Brown for leading the Ceremonial, hot sands and all.

Our Fall Ceremonial will be held in Saskatoon. This will be a 1 day ceremonial in conjunction with the Saskatoon Shrine Club Presidents Annual Party. See the information elsewhere in this issue of the Warblings (page 26).

The Shrine Provincial Golf was a hot fun event. The investment seminar went well and a little money came to the Patient Transportation Fund. Our THANKS to the Weyburn Shrine Club for organizing a great fun event. If your club is interested in sponsoring golf next year, contact the Recorder or myself.

At the Imperial Sessions, the Canadian Association of Shrine Temples (CAST) meeting, largely dealt with house keeping with a report from the Montreal Hospital. The reclaiming and cleaning of the Glen Yard property continues. There was no fur-

ther mention of the hospital moving to this new site in Montreal. We were advised that they are still working on the Outreach Programs. The most recent of these programs is Telemedicine, where we use closed circuit TV to review cases from the hospital to a location in the province. The hospital officials are working on this plan and we hope to hear from them in the fall.

The parade season is in full swing. Remember to send in your intentions to visit and participate in parades around your area. If you do not and you have an accident, regardless of how innocent, you may not have coverage under the Centres Insurance.

By the time you read this our Midwest Summer Sessions will be history. Our units placed well in all the competitions. The Divan and I wish to thank the organizing committee under Ill. Sirs Garth Sanders and Ken McDougall for a job well done. There is one thing we do well in Wa Wa, that is we know how to have fun. Thank you to all the Units that registered marched in the parades and took part in the competitions. And Thanks Noble Don McDougall for a very well planned and executed Friday Shrine-A-Rama. That was a great show.

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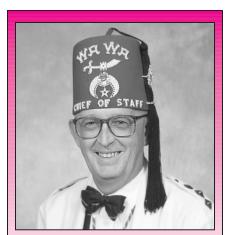
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# **Chief of Staff Report**



Mel Douglas, Chief of Staff Chairman, Parades & Competitions, MSA 2006

MSA 2006 is a done deal for another 12 years. My congratulations to all temples and units participating in the parades and competitions. All reports are extremely favourable.

There are so many WA WA nobles to thank, I may miss some, but you know who you are. Those nobles, who stood up and assisted at the last moment to cover duties required in our parades. To the competition chairmen and their committees, a great job done. To the Parade Marshal Brigade and Directors Staff "Flying Squad", your parade problem solving made everything work. To the nobles, who worked behind the scenes, the glory is yours.

WA WA, again, has set the standard for future MSA's.

The competitions results, turned in as of this writing, are listed below.

Midwest Shrine Chanters Association competition was held at the Conexus Art Centre (Jacqui Shumiatcher Room) at 9.00 am on Friday August 11th. This was a judged performance and five units competed. The awards are as follows-Gold to ZUHRAH Chanters, Minneapolis, also Gold to El Riad Chanters, Sioux Falls S.D. and also Gold to YELDUZ Chanters, Aberdeen S.D. Silver was awarded to Kem Chanters, Grand Forks N.D. Participation was awarded to Wa Wa Chanters of Regina. Three qualified adjudicators were impressed with the overall quality of the choirs. A massed sing of all the Chanter groups followed the competition. At 12 noon a luncheon for Chanter Nobles and ladies was held ( approx. 135 attended this luncheon). At 2.30 pm Chanter groups did sing outs at Broadway Terrace and The Bentley which Wa Wa Chanters. are Senior Residences. bolstered by members of other Shrine

groups sang the beautiful song I BELIEVE at Shrinerama.

Drum Corps were held on stage at the Conexus Arts Centre with the following results. Wa Wa 1st, Khartum 2nd, Kem 3rd

Fife and Drum held their competition on the convention floor with El Riad 1st, Khartum 2nd.

Foot Patrols, only WA WA Drill Corps showed up and did a judged performance, scoring 95.75%.

Pipes & Drums held their competitions, outdoors, in Wascana park. The results were 1st WA WA, 2nd AAD, 3rd KHAR-TUM.

Oriental Bands - A very successful and intense competition was held with the top spot going to EL RIAD second place to KHARTUM and third to WA WA MOOSE JAW ORIENTAL BAND.

Clowns and Motor Corps held their competitions at Northgate Mall. Awaiting results.

Equestrian Patrol competitions were held in Moose Jaw. Awaiting results.

<u>www.wawashriners.org</u> will be updated as results are updated.

# **Recorder's Report**

That was quite a summer! Units were parading all over Saskatchewan. The big ones of course, were the M.S.A. parades we just completed in August. The parade through Wascana Park was wonderful. It was a great turn out of Wa Wa Shriners throughout the event.

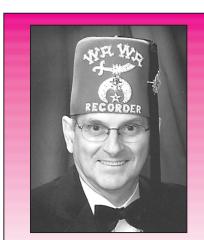
M.S.A. was a tremendous success and congratulations goes out to Ill. Sir Garth Sanders, President of the M.S.A. along with Ill. Sir Ken McDougall, Director General and all his hard working committees. Wa Wa hospitality was superb throughout the event.

Looking ahead, the Stated Session set for September 21, 2006 in Regina will see a motion brought forward to suspend a Noble for non-payment of dues after one year and the ratification of the newly formatted bylaws. Elsewhere in this issue is a further explanation (page 16).

At the Stated Session on November 24, 2006 in Saskatoon, we will be voting on new candidates for the Ceremonial the next day. Details of the Ceremonial is also elsewhere in the issue.

The fall is an active time for our Potentate, Ill. Sir Gerry Hodges as he will around the province visiting Shrine Clubs. Traditions are important to remember, so just as a reminder, it may be a good time to review our protocols and courtesies for such as event

Finally, again I have to make the painful reminder that there is still **128 Nobles who have not paid their current dues**. So please check to make sure you have your 2006 dues card in your wallet. If not, then well ...



C. B. (Brent) Blanchard Recorder

# **Oriental Guide Report**

#### MSA 2006 in Review

Well the long awaited Midwest Shrine Association Summer Session has come and gone, but the memories will last a long time. Wa Wa nobles and ladies offered their typical hospitality and our visitors went away very impressed. The first event was Wednesday's counterparts' night at Casino Regina and those attending were not disappointed. They were promised good food and a Las Vegas style of entertainment. Noble Richard Brown welcomed the nobles and ladies and the evening kicked off with an excellent meal. The entertainment that followed was first rate. The "Timebenders", from Victoria B.C., took the patrons through a musical review of the hits of the 40's, 50's, 60's, 70's and 80's. This high powered review performed for over ninety minutes with the patrons wanting more. Noble Richard promised his 4 F's of shrinedom, but this evening he added one more, fun-food-fellowship-"filanthropy" and family.

Thursday the VIP Brunch was held at the Radisson Hotel Saskatchewan, followed by a tour of the city and the newly renovated Government House. These tours armed the participants with a myriad of facts that I am sure will surface when discussions of MSA 2006 are reviewed. The afternoon came to a close as all units headed for the step off point for the evening parade. What colour and pageantry and great weather! Our Grand Marshall was Dave Arnold of CJME 980 Talk Radio. Joining the parade as special guests were Imperial Sir Nick Thomas, Imperial First Ceremonial Master Al Madsen, Imperial Marshal Dale Stauss and Imperial Chaplain Paul Massad and Illustrious Sir Garth Sanders President of the Midwest Shrine Association. When talking about dignitaries we cannot omit "Fez Head Fred" and his escorts from the Estevan and District Shrine Club. Fred and his escorts were at every function throughout the weekend, in addition to visits to the hospitals and the cancer clinic. Following the parade, everyone made their way to the Shrine Temple where the Regina Shine Club opened up the Oasis Room till 2:00 a.m.

Friday morning, the Drum Corps held their traditional breakfast with members of various units in attendance. All units then proceeded to their competitions which were open to the public. Wa Wa's "Top Notch" Chief of Staff will have all of the results in his article in this issue.

The Delta Regina was the site of the Ladies Luncheon. The luncheon was attended by more than 400 ladies who enjoyed a delicious meal, followed by a fabulous show from the accappella group "HOJA" from Saskatoon.

Friday evening was definitely a "Taste of Saskatchewan". When the nobles and ladies entered the Conexus Arts Centre they were greeted with a warm welcome and a delicious array of food. Entertaining in the lobby was Noble Wayne Horseman and his trio from Indian Head. The patrons then moved into the theatre for an evening of entertainment. The Shrine-a-rama opened with the presentation of the flags by retired and serving members of the RCMP. Carrying the flags were Ret. Sgt. Stu Maclachlan Past Grand Master of Saskatchewan, 33rd degree Scottish Rite mason and Past Potentate (1996) Canada, Ret. Sgt. Don Beggs, Past Master of Foam Lake Lodge, Past DDGM and Past Potentate (2005) American, Sgt. Dave Abel, Past Master of NWMP Lodge Mexico and Sgt. Dave Rudderham a member of NWMP Lodge Panama. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Regina's own Prairie Gold lead the singing of the National Anthems. We were pleased to have the award winning Prairie Gold to sing as Lady Pearl Hodges is a longstanding member of the chorus.

Walking onto the stage next were Krystal and Stephanie Shaw accompanied by Noble Bill Johnstone of Moose Jaw. Krystal and Stephanie then told Krystal's story of how the Shriners had helped her to get to where she is today. Her talk told of the many hurdles needed to be overcome, but was laced with humour and feeling. What an outstanding example of why we should all rededicate ourselves to our philanthropy. Following

Krystal's presentation, the WaWa Chanters under the direction of Jean Astbury and accompanied by Kathleen Upton, offered their rendition of "I Believe". They were joined by three members of Zuhrah Chanters, a Regina Drum Corps member, and two WA WA Pipes and Drums members.

The evening's theme of a "Taste of Saskatchewan" swung into high gear with an hour of the "Rory Allen Show". His enthusiasm and showmanship, backed by a twelve piece orchestra of Regina and area musicians, enthralled all in attendance. The ladies rushed the stage when he began to hand out his special scarves. He even offered a certain Noble the use of his suit when he heard the strains of "hunk a hunk of burning love". The second act of the evening was Saskatchewan Express. This talented group of local performers presented their set with typical enthusiasm and high paced energy. They concluded the evening with a special tribute number, "Alagria", which was choreographed by Andrea Day who is the granddaughter of Noble Chester Day. Ill. Sir Sanders and Potentate Ill. Sir Gerry Hodges, on behalf of Wa Wa Shriners, presented a painting to visiting Imperial Sir Al Madsen. At the close of the evening, all patrons were invited on stage to meet the performers and enjoy some refreshments.

Saturday morning came early with check outs from the hotels and preparations for the Family Parade in the Park. The weather held and we were treated to a sunny summer day. The parade stepped off at 11:00 a.m. and wound along Wascana Drive offering our visitors a first hand view of the Wascana Centre. The parade ended at the Conexus Arts Centre where everyone was treated to a refreshment and lunch.

Hats off to the MIDWEST 2006 Committee, under the leadership of President Ill. Sir Garth Sanders and Director General Ill. Sir Ken McDougall, for all of their work in making 2006 one of the best Midwest's on record.

Noble Don McDougall Oriental Guide

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# **Feeding on the Bread of Life**

As we worship together this morning a well known group of men have been gathered in Regina in fellowship with each other. They are known as SHRINERS, an organization which devotes much of its time and financial support to the needs of children and young people who need specialized medical care. When I lived in the Yukon I met a young girl who was about 10 years of age and she was helped through the Shriners Hospital in Portland, Oregon. She had curvature of the spine and all of her treatments and the costs of her parents being with her during her treatments were borne by the Shriners. There is a

Shriners Hospital in Montreal to which young people from this part of Canada can be sent for care and treatment.

This past Thursday night our two grandsons from Edmonton and myself watched the Shriners Parade as part of the gathering of 1700 members here in Regina, along with about 700 spouses. As the parade passed by I was touched by the sight of men who were not young parading with dignity and happiness in our Queen city. They came from the western provinces in Canada and the northern areas of the western USA. It was clear

that each one had a sense of dedication which being a Shriner brought into their lives. Since viewing them in their parade I realize that they offer a ministry to those children and young people with special needs in our society. I know that there are members of our congregation who have been Shriners for many many years, and one of them (Ken McMillan) was in the Regina Pipe and Drum band which led the parade.

Excerpt of sermon by Reverend Derek Nicholls of the Anglican Church - Sunday, 13 August, 2006



The MSA 2006 Committee would like to extend their sincere "thank you" to the **Regina Hotel Association** for their significant support of the recent Summer Session. Without their unqualified support we would not have been a success. To their member hotels we want to express our appreciation for the manner in which they and their staffs treated our visitors.





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# **Wa Wa Shriners in MSA Parade**

































# Shriners Hospitals for Children Receives "Best in America" Designation

hriners Hospitals for Children has received a "Best In America" Seal from Independent Charities of America (ICA) and Local Independent Charities of America (LICA).

The Independent Charities Seal of Excellence is awarded to members of ICA and LICA that have, upon rigorous independent review, been able to certify, document and demonstrate on an annual basis that they meet the highest standards of public accountability, program effectiveness and cost effectiveness. These standards include those required by the US Government for inclusion in the Combined Federal Campaign, probably the most exclusive fund drive in the world. Of the one million charities operating in the United States today, it is estimated that fewer than 50,000 – or five percent – meet or exceed these standards. Fewer than 2,000 of the charities have been awarded this Seal.

Shriners Hospitals has also been recognized in Good Housekeeping as one of the best charities for kids, Smart Money Magazine as the number-one health charity, and U.S.A. Today as one of America's top-ten charities. In addition, Shriners Hospitals was awarded a Campbell Research Donor Approval Award as a Superior Health Charity.

"While our focus is not on winning awards, we are proud to receive this designation because it shows our commitment to the children we serve and the donors that make our topnotch pediatric medical care possible," said Executive Vice President Lew Molnar.

Shriners Hospitals' focus is on providing the best family-centered medical care for children orthopaedic problems, burns, spinal cord injuries, and cleft lip and palate through patient care, teaching and research. The Best in America designation and other similar recognitions reflect the dedication of this organization to its mission and the good stewardship of the donations it receives. Approximately 93 percent of all money spent by Shriners Hospitals each year is dedicated to patient care and research.



#### Info about ICA

Independent Charities of America (ICA) is an IRS-recognized 501(c)(3) nonprofit association of America's best charities. Its purpose is to represent charities that meet the highest standards of public accountability and program effectiveness and to facilitate gifts to those charities from contributors in fund drives conducted at work and on the Web.



# **Hospital Report**

#### May 2006 Regina Period January 1, 2006 to May 25, 2006

Clubs & Patient Trips Booked to date:	
Parkland	
Regina 1:	3
Saskatoon	7
Moose Jaw	2
Estevan	1
Battlefords	2
Indian Head	1
Prince Albert	
Goose Lake	
Swift Current	
TOTAL 2	6

#### Number of trips to hospitals to date

Montreal	23
Twin Cities	1
Cincinnati	1
Philadelphia	1
Spokane	
TOTAL	26

#### Costs to date

Booked Air	Accomm.	Ground Travel	Misc.
\$ 42025.18	\$ 613.30	\$ 1425.95	\$ 167.55

#### TOTAL DOLLARS TO May 25,2006----- \$ 44,231.98

We presently have 83 active patients on our list. We have 5 files waiting word from Montreal and 1 new file in route to Philadelphia

Ill. Sir Gerry and I had an excellent trip to Montreal for the 2006 seminar. The structure gave us time to meet with the presenters to discuss one on one our concerns

<u>Donna Fitzgerald</u>—the Nurse Manager of Ambulatory Care Services. Her responsibilities include the outpatient clinics, outreach clinics and the telemedicine program.

# **Hospital Report cont.**

<u>Nathalie Thauvette</u>—the new Nurse on staff of 1 month. She is the Nurse Co-ordinator for telemedicine and outreach clinics.

**Rose-Marie Chiasson**—Head of the Social Services, application and transportation for patients.

<u>**Dr. Francois Fassier**</u>—Chief of Staff who has the final say as to whether our Shrine Hospital can treat those patients named in the applications we submit.

**Dr. Francis H. Glorieux**—HEAD OF THE Osteogenesis Imperfecta (O.I.)

Maureen Brennan—The administrator

<u>Gary Morrison</u>—Board Chairman (both who were with us last Nov Pote And Pres. Mtg).

**Sharon Brissette**—Director of nursing and patient care service.

Guylaine Oullet—New director of Public Relations.

It was a full day and very informative.

We have talked about outreach clinic and telemedicine and now a new program —teleradiology hopefully reaching to the west.

The question they asked -- "What is an outreach clinic?" - it is a medical team from the Shriners Hospital that travels to patients located outside the Hospital. The clinics are CO-ORDINATED in MONTREAL BY THEIR LOCAL TEAM IN COLLABORATION WITH THE LOCAL MEDICAL COMMUNITY AND THE SHRINE CENTRE.

The Hospital Chief of Staff, the Asst. Chief of Staff, as well as clinic nursing staff provide the service. To ensure an efficient outreach clinic, 20 to 30 patients are needed as a minimum. Patients who are seen in outreach are referred back to the Montreal Hospital only if Medically necessary, otherwise they will be referred to the next outreach clinic or local Health Facilities.

#### Pre requisites for a Successful Outreach Clinic---

- (a) The Shrine Hospital should have the full support of the Shrine Centre and the Regina Shrine Club.
- (b) Must have Shriner representation at these clinics.
- (c) The medical team need the approval of our Shriners Hospital administration and board. The medical team is representing the Shriners Vs. Private Practice.
- (d) Full support from the local medical community

We do not want to be accussed of "Stealing Patients" and have a very long waiting list for in and out patients. The objective is to bring additional "**EXPERTISE**" and permit the medical team follow our own patients locally.

With reference to telemedicine and teleradiolegy we hope to have an update sometime in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr.2006.

Respectfully Submitted

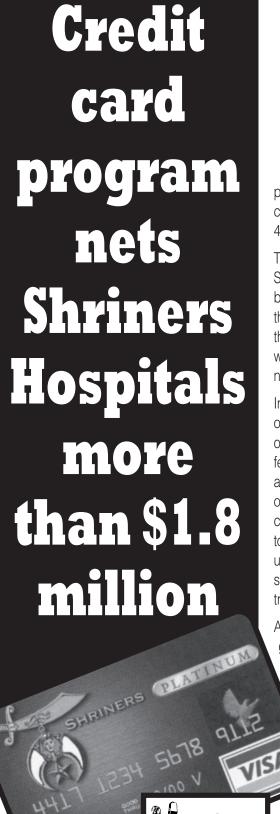
Ken McInnis

# hriners of North America's affinity credit card program with J.P. Morgan Chase is paying big dividends to the fraternity's philanthropy, Shriners Hospitals for Children. As of December 31, 2005, royalties from the program have earned Shriners Hospitals more than \$1.8 million. Following the unanimous endorse-

Following the unanimous endorsement of the program at the Boards of Directors and Trustees' 1993 fall meeting, Shriners Hospitals initiated the credit card program in 1994 for Nobles living in the United States. The original agreement was signed with First USA Bank, N.A., one of the largest Master-Card and Visa credit card issuers, now J.P. Morgan Chase.

The membership development department at Shriners International Headquarters sends newly initiated Nobles at the 177 Temples in the U.S. an information packet and a letter from the Imperial Potentate with details on the

Nobles may apply for the affinity credit card program by calling J.P. Morgan Chase toll-free (888) 215-3049



program. Nobles may apply for the credit card by calling toll-free (866) 422-6566.

The most important feature of the Shriners' platinum Visa card, which bears Shriners' scimitar logo and the words "Shriners Platinum," is that a portion of every dollar spent with the card helps support Shriners Hospitals.

In addition to the usual benefits of a low, introductory fixed-APR on purchases and balance transfers, no annual fee, cash advances and a 20- to 25-day grace period on purchases, platinum benefits include: a credit line from \$5,000 up to \$100,000, auto rental insurance, up to \$1 million travel accident insurance and worldwide emergency travel services.

A similar affinity credit card program for Nobles in Canada, handled by MBNA, began in 2005. In that program, all proceeds go directly to Shriners Hospitals for Children — Montreal.



# Potentate Honours **Noble Alex Guy**

The June Ceremonial was dedicated to Noble Alex Guy, PhD Ed. Alex was the first DeMolay in the province when Moose Jaw Chapter was started in 1949. At age 21 he joined the Moose Jaw Masonic Lodge #3 in

1953. This same year Alex was teaching in Regina and was invited to become the Chapter Dad of Regina Chapter Order of DeMolay inaugurated January 1954, by Past Potentate Lorne Johnson and Bro. Justice D. A. McNiven. Noble Alex was Chapter Dad for 12 years and was influential in the lives of many young men in those years. Noble Alex was honoured with the DeMolay Degree of Chevalier - 1954; DeMolay Legion of Honour - 1963. At the same

time his Masonic career was advancing and in 1956 joined Wa Wa Shrine. He was active with the Chanters for 6 years, Ritualistic Unit for 48 years and remains active with the 5-50 club. By his own admission each unit provided a unique and realistic opportunity to interact and enjoy fellowship with Shriners and to cooperatively serve the needs of others.

There are 6 DeMolay on the Divan at this time. There has been and still are Senior DeMolay active in Clubs and Units. DeMolay is a great organization to start young men on a path of discovery.

I am one of those DeMolay and all I can say is Thank You to Noble Alex for his guidance, patients and help in developing young boys into young men with principals.

Gerry Hodges, Potentate 2006

#### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor: — Lifestyles Estevan

Please support the Shrine Circus!

It is events such as this that allow the Shriner's to do what they do. And what they do is help children.

Our son has been attending the Shriner's Hospital in Montreal for several years. His visits require flights to Montreal, at least one or sometimes two nights in a hotel, plus meals and transportation.

The Shriner's look after it all. The flights are arranged, a pick up person greets you at the airport to take you to your hotel.

The Shriner's van picks you up at your hotel and takes you to the hospital then returns you to your hotel or back to the airport.

The hospital staff is equally as accommodating. Never once have I come up against anything remotely negative in all of our visits there.

If you ever have had a child (or someone close to you) who needs special care you will understand my plea. If you haven't, Thank God!

Marlene, Rick and Landon Lafrentz

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# **Noble Neil McKay**



When Neil McKay was a boy of 14, he could barely stand up straight like other children his age.

McKay had developed a condition where the muscles in his lower limbs failed to grow at the same rate as the bones in his legs -- and the problem was getting worse with time.

However, McKay had an older sister who was a nurse. She convinced their father to take the teenager from their farm outside of Regina to a Shriners Hospital in Winnipeg.

McKay's subsequent experience in the hospital was life-altering. "When you've been treated by a hospital like the Shriners, you

recognize the fact that there are many, many people who have contributed to the operation of that hospital -- it's something I wanted to be able to do too," McKay said.

Now 80, McKay will be one of more than 1,700 Shriners from across five U.S. States, Manitoba and Saskatchewan attending the 2006 gathering of the Midwest Shrine Association in Regina. Events for the delegation begin today and wrap-up on Saturday.

Other than their fez hats and mini T-Bird vehicles, Shriners are

also known for their charity work with children who are in need of medical care.

Members of the international fraternity have been raising money for pediatric care since the first Shriners Hospital for Children opened its doors in Louisiana in 1922 as a response to parents who couldn't afford polio treatments for their children.

Today, there are 22 of these hospitals across North America, including one in Montreal (the Winnipeg hospital has since closed).

Since becoming a Shriner in 1962, McKay has spent time helping to raise money for children who are in need of medical care much like he was many years ago.

"I have a leg up on the other fellows in the Shrine, in that I know what we are doing because I was there. I was a patient and I went in (the Shriners Hospital) as a pretty serious cripple, and I came home standing straight and erect," McKay said.

According to Don McDougall, deputy director general of this year's event, new members to the Shriners organization often cite the group's charity work as a major reason as to why they joined.

A Shriner since 2000, McDougall said he joined the fellowship in part because of the organization's reputation for helping children in need.

"I chose it because it was a way for an individual to give back to the community," McDougall added.



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# **Tampa Tribune Shrine**

By GRETCHEN PARKER The Tampa Tribune Published: July 1, 2006

TAMPA - If the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine sounds mysterious, it is.

On the outside, it's motorcycles and parades and minicars. And the red, tasseled fezzes that have become as emblematic of jovial Shriners as they are of the holy city of Fez, Morocco. The group is perhaps best-known, though, for the children who owe their miracles to the charity of Shriners.

On the inside, it's a dark labyrinth of shrouded secrets, sphinges, scimitars and five-pointed stars. It's a pageant of chants, codes, passwords, handshakes and gory oaths sworn inside private temples - all orchestrated by masters and potentates. It's like Rotary Club gone Dungeons & Dragons.

And no girls allowed.

It's a complete mystery to the noninitiated.

That's by design, Shriners say. But now, as the Shrine shrinks yearly, the fraternity is trying to change. It's throwing open the doors of temples and making rituals public. It is opening its roster to a wider group of men and even putting diaper-changing stations in temples.

Gone are the days when American men craved secret societies. Shriners can only survive, they acknowledge, by adapting.

"We've created our own problem. We've been complacent," said Gary Dunwoody, who this weekend is finishing his one-year term as imperial potentate, the highest-ranking Shriner. At its annual convention, in

Tampa for the first time, the fraternity will elect a new leader.

Like other service clubs, the Shrine has been hemorrhaging members during the past 2 1/2 decades. The fraternity was founded in 1872 and grew steadily for a hundred years.

At its peak in 1979, the Shrine included nearly a million men. Now there are 411,000. Last year alone, the group lost 30,000 members who either died or stopped paying the \$90 annual dues.

The heart of the issue is that Shriners are trying to save a fraternity that is rooted in the very ritual and pageantry that now turns off many multitasking, long-commuting, Little League-coaching dads. The mystical, elaborate ceremonies that used to attract men now are repelling them, critics say.

Dunwoody pointed out all that Shriners have going for them - an established fraternity that is the heart of one of the most-respected philanthropies in the world. The group just needs to do a better job of selling itself, he said.

#### **Roots In Freemasonry**

The Shrine was founded by two Masons and is rooted in Freemasonry. It is open only to members of that brotherhood, which was a successful formula in the first half of the 20th century when Masonry was booming. In the years after World War II, men returned home looking for the kind of camaraderie they had enjoyed while enlisted.

Lodges and Shrine temples became second homes for them.

Shrine founders saw Masonry as the perfect pool from which to recruit members. They saw themselves as men of strong character who already had bettered themselves by learning the lessons required to move up the Mason ladder - known as the Scottish and York rites.

This is where Masonry goes into territory that is murky for the non-Mason. Generally, members say each level uses allegory to teach men morality and the meaning of life.

To become a Master Mason, a man advances through three levels. Beyond that, he can choose to join one of the rites, and if he reaches the pinnacle, he's considered a 33rd-degree Mason. If he makes it to Scottish Rite, then he also has acquired titles including Inspector Inquisitor, Perfect Master, Secret Master and Knight of the Brazen Serpent.

It's all commonly traced back about 500 years, when masons bonded together as a craft guild that then evolved into a fraternity. Masons believe their group began with the men who built King Solomon's Temple. Stars, sphinges, trowels and scimitars are used as symbols to teach the lessons of the brotherhood.

The Shrine was founded as a fun alternative to Masonry. The founders believed in the serious nature of Masonry but wanted to stress "fun and fel-

lowship" more than the ritual, according to a history published by Shriners. That's why the fez was used - to lend an exotic, party atmosphere and add intrigue.

The group toned down that image after gaining a reputation as hard-charging partiers.

One thing hasn't changed - black Shriners and white Shriners are, for the most part, separated. An African American named Prince Hall started a Masonry group for blacks in the late 1700s, and the races never integrated either as Masons or as Shriners.

#### Groups 'Are Doomed,' Critic Says

It is the intrigue of the Shrine that is working against it now, said Dudley Davis, an outspoken critic of Mason and Shriner leadership. Davis is a Maryland management consultant who began working in 1989 to persuade the fraternities to make drastic changes so they could save themselves. He's also a 32nd-degree Scottish Rite Mason.

By now, he said, both groups "are doomed."

Two years ago, he said, he was hired by Shriners to find a way to halt their downslide. He presented his suggestions to Shrine leaders at their headquarters in Tampa.

Among his suggestions: Offer scholarships to the children of fathers who join, and make the meetings more upbeat and relevant to men's daily lives.

The trick, he said, is to promote what is worthwhile - the camaraderie and the revered hospitals - and get rid of the special uniforms and traditions that repel today's young and middle-age men.

Also, he said, lose the fez.

Davis argued that the festive hats have become a cartoonish symbol of revelry that doesn't reflect the true Shriner spirit. That proposal quickly was dismissed.

"It's difficult to get them to change in any way because they're comfortable with what was," Davis said.

Davis' viewpoints "didn't match the organization's," said Charlie Cumpstone, an executive vice president of Shriners who has worked for the group for 40 years.

It's not just about Shriners and Masons, Davis said. He used a poll conducted in 1991 that found men just were not interested in joining any organization - not Shriners, not Masons, not Rotary or Elks or Moose. The few who did didn't want secretiveness, difficult initiations, signs and passwords.

#### Too Strong To Fail

Dunwoody, the Shrine leader, insists the fraternity will never fold because it has a hard-core, dedicated group at its nucleus. Shriners hospitals depend on the fraternity to bolster their volunteer ranks, transport thousands of children and govern their boards.

Even critics of Shriners say the hospitals, with an endowment of \$8.4 billion, are too strong to fail. They survive on gifts and bequests, not dues from Shriners, of which only \$5 a year goes to the hospitals.

Dunwoody predicts that membership eventually will level off. He said the fraternity is focused more on keeping Shriners than attracting new ones. In the past 15 years, the group has lost more than 300,000 members who quit or were suspended for not keeping up with dues.

"They're not staying with us," Dunwoody said. "They're going out the back door faster than they're coming in the front door."

To attract younger Shriners, the group is encouraging temples to hire babysitters and hold family nights. Members interested in computers and golf now have their own clubs.

To keep current Shriners, the group is using pilot programs at seven temples that involve members more in the hospitals and focus on retaining members who are about to drop out. The group also is creating women's focus groups and involving wives in a "first 100 days" program for new Shriners.

In two years, the Imperial Council will consider rolling the programs out to all 191 temples.

Reporter Gretchen Parker can be reached at (813) 259-7562 or gparker@tampatrib.com

# Congratulations Wa Wa

Congratulations Wa Wa - You did it. Yes, you exceeded the challenge issued by the Imperial Shrine Membership Committee over a year ago of creating 42 nobles and restoring 14 nobles. A great accomplishment. Awards will be presented in the

near future to the 32 nobles who were top line signers of the applications that allowed our Temple to surpass the Imperial Shrine Membership challenge.

Congratulations is also extended to the following 13 mason who on June 10th., 2006 became Shriners and members of our Temple. To them, we say "Welcome" and encourage your participation in our activities. These new nobles are members of the following clubs: INDIAN HEAD: - Keith PEACH, Indian Head,; MOOSE JAW: - Dwayne HAWKINS, Moose Jaw, and Alan WADE, Moose Jaw,; REGINA: - Roger Mark HODGES, Regina, Bruce Malcolm JARDINE, Regina, Bradford Charles WILSON, Regina,; SASKATOON: - Adam Joseph GIBSON, Saskatoon, Mervin Stanley KOSAR, Saskatoon, Cameron KRIPKI, Saskatoon, Bradley Alexander McCUBBING, Saskatoon, John Frederick McPHAIL,Saskatoon, Colin OLFERT, Saskatoon, and Gary SHERSTOBITOFF, Langham,

On Jan. 1st., 2006, our membership was 1168 On July 1, 2006, our membership was 1154 as the results of creating 13 members, restoring 7, suspending 2, issuing demits to 14 and incurring 18 deaths. Unfortunately, during this six month period, we have lost a total of 14 members - One more than was created. Hopefully, during the next six month period, there will be no more suspen-

sions or demits issued. Deaths are unpredictable. If we do not exceed the total of 44 as in 2005, a total of 40 (new/restored) members would be needed so our membership on Jan. 1, 2007 would be the same as it was on Jan. 1st., 2006. Now is the time to encourage former members to restore their membership and our brother Masons to become Shriners. During the next months, All nobles are requested to attend their Masonic Lodge for the purpose of encouraging their brother Masons to become Shriners. Our next ceremonial is to be held in the Saskatoon Masonic Hall, Saskatoon on SATURDAY, November 25, 2006. (For further particulars. See the announcement elsewhere in this Warblings.)

Membership is the responsibility of each member. Let's each of us accept this responsibility

A review of 2005's activities revealed that the decline in membership was easing. A concerted effort by each noble could easily reverse the decline in membership and result in a positive growth. Applications for Initiation are now being accepted by our Recorder for the Ceremonial to be held in Saskatoon.

Nobles, this is your organization and membership is vital to its continuance. Through it is derived the support of our great philanthropy - Shriner's Hospitals for Children. Let's all do our part by replacing ourselves, not once but twice to ensure that our organization continues to flourish .

See you in Saskatoon with your replacement (A New Member)?

Respectfully Submitted: Stu MacLACHLAN, P.P. Membership Chairman.

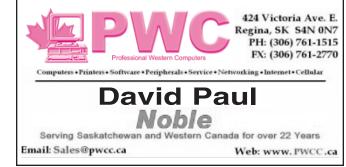


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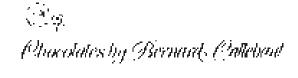
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# "Notice Of Stated Session" "Es, Selamu Aleikum"

The Nobles of Wa Wa Shrine Temple are hereby notified and requested to attend the Stated Sessions of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

#### Thursday, September 21st, 2006 at 8:00 p.m.

Wa Wa Shrine Centre, 2065 Hamilton St., Regina, Sask.

#### Friday, November 4th, 2006 at 8:00 p.m.

Saskatoon Shrine Club (Masonic Temple) 1620 Saskatchewan Crescent West, Saskatoon, Sask.

Important matters relative to the operation of Wa Wa Temple will be brought to the meetings.

Admission by 2006 Dues Card. Fez must be worn.

**Gerry Hodges Potentate** 

#### **MOTIONS:**

At the Stated Session, May 25, 2006 and published in the May 2006 Warblings, the following Notice of Motions was brought forward:

"The Recorder will bring or cause to bring forward the following motions at the next appropriate Stated Session.

- 1. Motion: That Section 2.7 of Article 2 of the Bylaws of Wa Wa Shriners, 206 read: "A member shall be suspended for non-payment of dues if his dues are one (1) year in arrears."
- 2. Motion: "That the Bylaws of Wa Wa Shriners, 2006 which has been re-formatted and amended, be approved."

Explanation:

1. The Temple pays up front the per capita dues of a member at the beginning of each year. Currently, a member of Wa Wa Shriners will be suspended for non-payment of dues after the second year. The Temple has carried the per capita dues, which is \$15.00 a year for two years for that member. If the Noble is suspended after two years, the Imperial Council returns the per capita dues for the year of the suspension. The Temple loses to Imperial Council the first year's per capita dues. Wa Wa Shriners suspended 37 Nobles at the end of 2005.

At a Divan meeting held on February 27, 2006 and after a discussion on this unnecessary loss of money, a motion was passed that a Noble will be suspended for non-payment of dues after one (1) year, effective January 1, 2007 and the bylaws be amended as such.

Attest: Brent Blanchard

Recorder

2. Imperial Council has suggested to Wa Wa Shriners (and many other Temples) to rewrite our bylaws to conform to a "model" format. After many draft revisions by your Assistant Rabban, Noble Richard Brown and the Recorder, and consultation with the Chairman of Jurisprudence & Laws Committee, Warren Upton, the new bylaws are presented for approval by the Nobility of Wa Wa Shriners.

It should be noted, that although the format of the bylaws have changed, there is no change to our particular laws, policies or resolutions with the exception of the one above. Upon approval, the new bylaws will be forwarded to Imperial Council for ratification to become law.

Should one wish to read the new formatted bylaws, a copy is available electronically or on hard copy by request.

C.B. (Brent) Blanchard Recorder

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# Regina Shrine Club Car Raffle — 2006

In February of this year, the Regina Shrine Club with the concurrence of <u>all</u> unit representatives, undertook to raffle off an automobile (a 2006 Aveo5) as our 2006 fund raiser in order to assist different RSC units in funding various activities or special projects. It is intended that the winners of the prizes in this raffle will be selected during the RSC's President's Dinner on the night of Saturday November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2006.

Sales to date have been very disappointing. In fact, less than 10% of the sales required in order to just break even, have been turned in to the RSC. In order for this fund raiser to be successful, we require the full, wholehearted support of all of the RSC member units, and of their respective members.

As we have done many times before, we wish to stress that all fund raising activities undertaken by the RSC are in support of and for the benefit of the RSC member units.

We request all members give this worthwhile fundraiser their full enthusiastic support in order that together we may put ticket sales over the top. Any person requiring more books of tickets mat obtain them from their unit representative, or, directly from Tom Fulton at 586-49326, or, Terry Topuschak at 789-6466.

Respectfully submitted, Noble Terrance Topuschak Chairman, Ticket Sales, RSC 2006 Car Raffle.

# **Fund Raising Requests**

Often wonder why we ask that you clear all fundraising proposals through your potentate?

Recently the following took place at Yelduz Shriner; and I felt it was worthy of mention to the Nobility so the same will never happen to Wa Wa. I quote...

"The Imperial Potentate ordered Yelduz Shriners to immediately send a check for \$30,000 from its temple funds to Shrines Hospitals for Children (SHC). This sum represented approximately 50% of the money that belonged to Shriners Hospitals for Children, which had been improperly deposited with a local charitable foundation. The temple was further ordered to continue negotiations with the foundation for the return of all money raised by Yelduz Shriners for SHC that had been deposited with the local foundation contrary to Shrine Law. The total amount deposited amounted to approximately \$61,000. The Imperial Potentate further provided that once all of the funds improperly transferred to the foundation were returned to SHC the \$30,000 deposited by Yelduz with SHC as required by this Order, would be returned to the temple. All of the officers, Nobles, clubs and units of Yelduz Shriners were ordered to immediately cease and desist from engaging in raising charitable monies for any other charity other than SHC.

In a contract, dated September 1, 2004, with the South Dakota Community Foundation, Yelduz Shriners agreed that the foundation was to create within the foundation the Yelduz Hospital Transportation Fund. Yelduz Shriners agreed to raise money for SHC

and deposit the funds with the foundation pursuant to the contract. The foundation was allowed to co-mingled funds raised by Yelduz Shriners with monies raised by other charitable organizations, which funds the foundation administered "in accordance with guidelines as approved from time to time by the foundation board of directors" In entering into this agreement, the temple officers violated Shrine Law, including the provisions of General Order # 1 in respect to fundraising for charitable purposes."

This explains why we cannot allow outside organizations to use the shrine in anyway for fundraising. All our fundraising is for the Fraternity, with explanations of the use of the funds. Why we cannot use the "silent billboard" front or rear view, on any advertising, press, TV or radio scripts, banners and tickets, or merchandise you plan to sell as it implies the use of the registered trademarks of the hospitals. And why we cannot use any wording that mentions the hospital and/or children, unless the fundraiser is for the hospital only, and then we must get permission to do so.

We are interested in protecting your hard work and effort to keep our Shine Center and your Clubs healthy and doing the correct things for all the right reasons.

I look forward to your cooperation and effort to live up to these requirements.

Yours in the Faith,

G. L. Gerry Hodges, Potentate 2006

# **2007 Wa Wa Calendar Program**

The 2007 calendars have been printed and shipped to all the Shrine Clubs in Wa Wa.

If you want Calendars to sell contact your Shrine Club President or your Club Calendar Rep. Program is the same as last year.

- Calendar sales to commence August 1, 2006
- Calendar sale terminate December 15, 2006
- Winners will be paid by cheque bi-monthly
- Prizes to be awarded:

— Sunday, Jan. 1, 2007	\$1,000.00
— Sunday, April 2, 2007	\$1,000.00
— Sunday, July 2, 2007	\$1,000.00
— Sunday, Oct. 1, 2007	\$1,000.00
— Sunday, Dec. 1, 2007	\$1,000.00
<ul><li>Remaining Sundays 48@\$100.00</li></ul>	\$4,800.00
<ul><li>Monday to Saturday 312@\$25.00</li></ul>	\$7,800.00
<ul> <li>Total value of Prizes</li> </ul>	\$17,600.00

Last year there were 3,500 calendars printed, 3,286 sold and 214 unsold. Let's sell ALL the Calendars this year.

Thanking you in advance for your positive approach to this program.

Yours in the Faith Gord Berg, Calendar Chairman

# **Calendar Winners**

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#### **MARCH 2006**

Charles Corrin - Moose Jaw

Bill Caufield — Gravelbourg Dave Delday — Kindersley Tim Nimchuk - Regina Lyle Hoffman — Saskatoon Chris Munday - Regina Norm Drummond — Regina Kabos Restaurant — Swift Current Barclay Ward - Ormiston Sonja Wheeler — Swift Current John Welykochy - North Battleford Violet Bayne - Battleford Lorette Shaw - Regina Terrance Topuschak — Regina John Dale — Meacham Dave Klein - Regina Mark Davis - North Portal Pat Holtkamp — Yorkton Ken Yeadon — Yorkton Jackie Fitzsimmons — Bienfait Gord Stewart - Moose Jaw Adam Booker - Regina Donna Lee — Saskatoon Joe Zbeetnoff — Prince Albert Michael Gorgichuk - Moose Jaw Kelly Majeran — Saskatoon

Joe Zbeetnoff — Prince Albert Vicky Tanton — Stenen Colleen Remple — Saskatoon Joyce Hamilton — Moose Jaw

#### **APRIL 2006**

Todd Norgan - Moosomin Marc Letilley - Saskatoon Judy Lam - Nanaimo, BC Betty Burgess — Maple Creek Scott & Jodie Martin — Regina Dwayne Mihalicz — Regina Jim McLaren — Regina Stanley Ranson - Moosomin Les Mark — Saskatoon Dorothy & Bill Cooke -Abbotsford, BC Fred Smith - Maryfield Donald Baker - Maryfield Curtis Munday - Regina Don Cowan — Swift Current Kerry Kelin — Yorkton Don Black — Kamsack George Dragan - Indian Head Art Clarkson — Kindersley Barry & Doreen Reid - Tisdale Costa Yannikostas — Carven Ruth Caithcart — Tisdale Greg Taylor — Regina Andrew Bennett - Saskatoon Marlin Roth — Regina Danica & Joyn Mansell - Gull Lake Stu Anderson - Moose Jaw Gary Taylor — Calgary Shirley Aaro - Saskatoon

#### **MAY 2006**

Dereck Seeley — Maple Creek Faye Fewendon — Saskatoon Pauyl Saelhof — Simpson Eva MacNeill - Regina Francis Swan - Kindersley Adella Hansen — Theodore Jim Gordon — Regina Marj McKinney - Unity D. Johnston — Swift Current Sherry Gilliard - Saskatoon Harold Brown — Maple Creek Lois Stangler — Assiniboia Don Lubyk - Prince Albert Roger Thomason — Bethune Dot Hook - Prince Albert Brad Petruk — Prince Albert Eric Vincent - Saskatoon Andrea Neitz - Golden Prairie Olga Mantyka — Tisdale Ross Kadlec - Bladworth Fred Milleker — Weyburn

Julie Smith — Regina
Joey Cassels — Regina
Mr. & Mrs. I. McMillan —
Calgary, AB
George Nuswsbaumer — Yorkton
Charlie & Deb Hainsworth —
Regina
Glen Cole — Saskatoon
Dawn Welykoshy — Okotokos,
AB
Marj McKinney — Unity
Olga Mantyka — Tisdale
Coralie Wiebe — Maple Creek

#### **JUNE 2006**

Bud Hansen — Eatonia Jeff Fry — Emerald Park Maryan Service — Gull Lake Lorne Fritshaw — Tisdale Candice St. Onge - Regina Max Percheid - Saskatoon Paul Grimes — Arcola Darcy Bruce — Saskatoon Ray Bethune - Melfort Eleanor Hobbs — Assiniboia Dwayne Michalica — Regina Ron Gustafson — Elrose Will Waldbillig — Saskatoon Austin Hamilton — Kindersley Toby Hozempa — Pilot Butte Ed Myers - Melville Gord Gardiner - Regina Nocma Wassill — Humboldt Cecil Hayward — Assiniboia George Bomberak - Moose Jaw Lois Hannah - Regina Cathie Hysuick — Assinboia Ernie Wilk - Moose Jaw K. A. Beesley - Regina Janet Jackson - Sylvania Murray Bender - Kindersley Ken Proll - Tisdale Larry Glubis — Regina Bob & Marie Loverin - Swift Current

#### **JULY 2006**

Garry Shore - Regina

Lottie Potter — Nokomis
Lee & Myra Materi — Medicine
Hat, AB
Scott McMann — Moose Jaw
Huntley Lewis — Moosomin
Marci Wall — Ottawa, ON
Douglas Elmhurst — Kindersley
George Elliott — Saskatoon
Ron McEachern — Regina
Todd & Bev Racette — Regina
Willy McKay — Toefield, AB
Alysha Tilson — Moose Jaw

Shayke Sebastian — Regina Dorothy Neuses — Melfort Judy Swanson — Oxbow Lorne Bell — Humboldt Willy McKay — Tofield, AB Darryl Brooks — Alameda Dwaine Watson — Consul John Young & Donna Reitenbach — Yorkton Don Best — Alameda Sam Climenhaga — Kindersley Tammy Tompalski — Ottawa, ON Allan J. Stewart - Regina Donna Scoffer - Moose Jaw Jim McLaren — Regina Gerry Goebel — Maple Creek Mervin & Janet Dawe — Rosetown Sherry Gilliard — Saskatoon Mrs. Gerry Fairburn — Saskatoon Erwin Kohlert — Yorkton Jenny Ryder — Saskatoon

#### **AUGUST 2006**

Tyler & Jules Cobb — Edmonton, AB Kelly Skuce - Saskatoon Albert Running — Saskatoon Norbert & Marie Kelly — Little Bay, IL Albert Minnie - Kelvington Amanda Boychuk — Ottawa, ON Steven Etter — Prince George, BC D. W. Hudyma — Wynyard Hugh McKay — Qualicum Beach, BCGordon Gardiner - Regina Lisa Moneyne — Estevan Nanettea & Dale Glover — Boissevan, MB Brian Smyth - Bienfait Cindy Falconer — Moose Jaw Carol Dickson — Christopher Peyton Nabis — Regina Glen Cole — Saskatoon Xonnie Unger - Swift Current Bob Nelson — Eston Murray Kornaga — Prince Albert Frank Mannle — Moosomin Clara Rubin — Regina Darryl McEwen — Regina Vera & Charles McNeil — Biggar Pat & Harold Siffelkow ---Coronach Dick Shanner — Saskatoon Gary Duncan — Coronach

Mary Martin — Moose Jaw Victoria Eby — Melfort

# **WaWa Events**

# September 2006

9-10	Hot Dog Sale	Cdn. Tire East — Regina	Wa Wa P&D
16	Parade	Sutherland	SSC Drums & Bugles
			Arab Patrol
25	Get Acquainted Dinner	TBA — Regina	Wa Wa Shrine Ladies
28	PASC Meeting	Prince Albert	
21	Stated Session	Regina	

## October 2006

7	PASC Octoberfest	Prince Albert	
7	Hilltop Football (Half Time Show)	Saskatoon	SSC Drums & Bugles, Arab Patrol
14	Pote's Event	Moose Jaw	
18	Pote's Event	Swift Current	
26	PASC Meeting	Prince Albert	
27	Octoberfest	Regina Shrine Club	Wa Wa Shrine Ladies
30	Regular Meeting 1400	Shrine Centre	Wa Wa Shrine Ladies

## November 2006

3	ABC Potes Night	Assiniboia	
4	Pote's Event	Regina	
11	Remembrance Day	Local Events	
18	Warblings Cut Off		
27	Ladies' Christmas Party	Shrine Centre	Wa Wa Shrine Ladies
30	PASC Meeting	Prince Albert	
24	Stated Session	Saskatoon	

## December 2006

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# January 2007

7	Pote's Event	Regina
17	Warblings Cut Off	



# BORDEN BACHYNSKI (P.P.) RECEIVES AWARD

III. Sir Borden awarded the Saskatchewan Centennial Medal by Her Honour Lt. Gov. of Saskatchewan, Her Honour Lynda Haverstock on May 31, 2006

# **In Memoriam**

**Howard Keith Maze** 

Box 985

Unity, SK S0K 4L0 Deceased: April 10, 2006 Initiated: June 27, 1980

**Charles Derrick Fawcett** 

3223 Regina Avenue Regina, SK S4S 0H2 Deceased: April 23, 2006 Initiated: June 19, 1971

Alexander R. Mair

1030-1st NE Moose Jaw, SK S6H 0Z6 Deceased: December 4, 2005 Initiated: June 5, 1953 Age: 84 Ian D. Riach

Box 271

Raymore, SK S0A 3J0 Deceased: March 8, 2005 Initiated: June 25, 1976

Age: 83 John Oleksyn

1 Pinder Crescent Saskatoon, SK S7J 2K7 Deceased: May 3, 2006 Initiated: June 15, 1974

Age: 89 Gordon Blaney Howie

Box 398 Kindersley, SK SOL 1SO Deceased: April 24, 2006 Initiated: June 13, 1959 Age: 75 Donald James MacLaurin

Box 563, 25 Seaview Place Lions Bay, BC V0N 2E0 Deceased: August 8, 2006 Initiated: June 13, 1966 Age: 68

Age: 65

Age: 74 Robert Loeppky

221 Conlin Drive Swift Current, SK S9H 3P9 Deceased: August 3, 2006 Initiated: June 28, 1986

Age: 86

# WAWA PROVINCIAL SHRINE GOLF TOURNAMENT 2006



The Weyburn and District Shrine Club hosted the golfing at the beautiful Weyburn Golf Course on July  $14^{th}$ ,  $15^{th}$  and  $16^{th}$ .

56 golfers and 8 non-golfers enjoyed the golfing fun-time and excellent socialization.

The weekend began with a mixer in the Weyburn Legion on Friday evening with about 60 Shriners and their Ladies enjoying a delicious lunch and lots of fellowship.

Saturday morning breakfast was served at the Golf Club at 7:00 am. At 8:00 a.m. golfing began with 7 teams starting on the front nine and the other 7 starting on the back nine. There was a twist to the Texas scramble: you were numbered your team's scorecard. After everyone hit their drive, the captain rolled a dice and if your number came up you had to use that shot. Of course you had to use some short drives. As usual there were a few grumblers, but most of the golfers enjoyed this format.

After the hot day on the golf course, everyone had time for a shower and a rest.

The evening began with Zems Zems at the golf club at 5:30 pm and at 7:00 pm delicious steak supper was served. Auctioneer Noble Bill

Johnstone got busy at 8:30 pm and with the help and antics by his spotter Noble Bevin Leipert, we had a very successful calcutta.

Sunday morning started hot and dry but since there was some wind, it cooled down to a tolerable 30 degrees compared to 33 on Saturday.

Breakfast was served at 7:00am and the golfing started at 8:00 am. Golfing finished around 1:00 pm. After everyone cooled down, the winners were declared.

Winning the Trophy this year was the Dave Houston team consisting of Dave Houston, Earl Swalm, Alan Davis and Elaine Gutfriend. Prizes were awarded to all teams that participated. Prizes were also given for: Men's longest drive – Gord Shabbits; Men's closest to the pin – Clare Phillips;

Ladies longest drive - Irma Armsworthy and Ladies closest to the pin - Gerry Houston

After every team received a prize and since there were many prizes left, names of all the golfers were drawn until all the prizes were gone.

All in All, changes to the usual caused a few grumbles and though the weather was hot and dry, **everyone had a great time.** 



Ladies' Long Drive Winner Irma Armsworthy

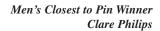


Ladies' Closest to Pin Winner Gerry Houston



Men's Long Drive Winner Gord Shabbitts

Trophy Presentation to winning foursome by W.S.C. President and Potentate. Left to Right: Weyburn Shrine Club President: Brad Barlow; Dave Houston, Earl Swalm, Elaine Guttfriend, Alan Davbis, Potentate Gerry Hodges.







# **Masonic Family**

# Sask's 100th Anniversary Grand Communication in Prince Albert June (14, 15) 16–17, 2006

#### Kindersley Lodge No. 86 wins big...still very active

#### **Brother Webmasters:**

This past May a few of us brethren noted that Kindersley Lodge brethren seemed to be more that a little involved in the Masonic Family within our respective Grand Jurisdictions...Do you know of any other single lodge that has had such a number of members serving as officers in concordant bodies?

Saskatchewan Masons' Grand Communication and 100th Anniversary was an outstanding event. At least 17 members of Kindersley Lodge No. 86 attended, including almost all the officers.

For the second consecutive year Kindersley Lodge won both major awards (Korpan's "Best Lodge of 40+ members" and Rennie's "Most Comprehensive Youth Programs").

For the years 2005 through 2007 Kindersley Lodge has had significant involvement with the Masonic family:

2005 - 2006

M.I. Comp. **Jim Graham**, Grand Master, Royal & Select Masters, Cryptic Rite of Western Canada, and

R.I. Comp. **Dan Gerle**, Grand Inspector General, Saskatchewan

Noble **Joe Bertram**, President, Goose Lake Shriners,

Noble Dan Gerle, Secretary and Noble **Denny Holben**, Treasurer

2006 - 2007

Noble Joe Bertram, President, Goose Lake Shriners

Noble **Colin MacKeracher**, Secretary and Noble **Doug Empey**, Treasurer

R.E. Comp. **Mark Miller**, Grand Superintendent, District No. 4, Royal Arch Masons of SK and V.E. Comp. **Sam Boychuk**, Grand Steward

R.E. Comp. Joe Bertram, Grand Superintendent, District No. 2., Royal Arch Masons of SK and V.E. Comp. **Dave Leapard**, Grand Steward

(These two District represent 9 of the 17 Chapters of the Jurisdiction)

R.W. Bro. **Fred Coventry**, District Deputy Grand Master (District No. 9) Grand Lodge of SK and V.W. Bro. **Don Krogstad**, Grand Steward. All 11 are members of Kindersley Lodge No. 86.

Fraternally,

Dan Gerle,

PDDGM

# Daughters of the Nile

Anqet Temple No. 123, Daughters of the Nile, held an Open Installation of Officers on March 29, 2006, at the Heritage Inn in Moose Jaw. Officers installed were: Queen Helen Lewis, Moose Jaw; Princess Royal Kay Blydo, Swift Current; Princess Badoura Diana Thomson, Swift Current; Princess Recorder Elda Bacon, PQ, Ogema; Princess Banker Esther Sandercock, Southey; Jr. Past Queen Sharon Hester, Maple Creek.

Appointed Officers installed were: Pr. Marshal Joyce Stadnick, Regina; Pr. Chaplain Margaret Cobb, Regina; Lady of the Keys Pr. Edna Brooks, Saskatoon; Lady of the Gates Pr. Elsie Murray, Moose Jaw; Pr. Nydia Melba Batty, Assiniboia; Pr. Zulieka Marina Onclin, Saskatoon; Pr. Zenobia Betty Cumming, Regina; Pr. Zora Margaret Thorson, Regina; Pr. Zuliema Joyce Reid, Saskatoon; Pr. Musician Iris Dutton, PQ, Regina; and Attendants Pr. Joyce Smith, Swift Current and

Pr. Florence Steininger, Regina.

Other Appointments were: Canadian and American Flag Bearers, the Anqet Temple Marching Patrol from Saskatoon; Nile Banner Bearer, Pr. Lena Gilbertson; Ceremonial Assistants Eleanor Heenan, PQ and Iris Dutton, PQ.

Past Queen Justina Hutchinson, Saskatoon, presided as the Installing Queen, assisted by Installing Marshal Sylvia Thomson, Biggar; Installing Chaplain PQ Hayven Bing-Wo, Regina; Installing Musician Pr. Margaret Cobb, Regina; and Installing Attendants Pr. Patricia Robinson, Saskatoon and Pr. Adele Gerhart, Regina. PQ Yvette Kingston, Swift Current presented the Bible and PQ Alice Severson presented the Crown. The Anqet Marching Patrol presented the Canadian and American Flags and Pr. Bep Hamer, Swift Current presented the Nile Banner.

Piano selections were offered by Evelyn

McKenze, a friend of Queen Helen Lewis and the D.O.N. Singers provided a medley of songs. A banquet followed the Installation of Officers, with Jr. PQ Sharon Hester as Mistress of Ceremonies. Special guests were Ill. Sir Gerry Hodges, Potentate and Lady Pearl. The Moose Jaw Shrine Military Band entertained at the banquet.

Submitted by: Audrey Forrest, PQ





# Ten Chances to Get Away

Proceeds to the Convalescent Relief Fund and Convalescent Endowment Fund for the Children at the Canadian Shrine Hospital Sponsored by Anqet Temple No. 123 Daughters of the Nile

The "Chance to Get Away" Draw consists of ten draws to be made in 2007. Each chance consists of a trip for two. **Early Bird Draw for \$150.00 cash on October 28, 2006**.

Tickets are \$100.00 and you are entered into each monthly draw. Only 300 tickets are being sold for a 1 in 30 chance of "Getting Away"!

**Early Bird** \$150.00 cash; **January** – Alaska Cruise; **February** – Victoria and Butchart Gardens; **March** – B.C. Houseboat Charter; **April** – Toronto; **May** – Moose Jaw Temple Gardens Mineral Spa; **June** – San Francisco; **September** – Disneyland; **October** – Las Vegas; **November** – Edmonton; **December** – Mexico. Lottery Licence No. L06-0151

Contact any Daughter of the Nile member for further information or tickets!

# **Bacchus Club**

June 19, a Bacchus rib fest was held at Carl and Susan Luhning's, it was a great success. The weather was wonderful and we all enjoyed the wine, food and fellowship. Susan has a green thumb and the setting was ideal. As we decided we would like to have another wonderful outdoor setting for our next meeting, Colin and Carol Bachysnki volunteered and their lovely yard was the center of fun and fellowship Saturday Aug 19.

Several of our Bacchus members were away but we still had 20 people, two of them invited guests, to share in a wonderful steak barbecue.



The weather was fully cooperative and the food was fantastic.

We have a new member coming into our group, he supplied a wonderful pot of beans. Next meeting to be held Sept 26 at the Shrine Centre, we are ordering in Chinese food and we all look forward to it.

**Betty Eskdale** 

Noble Ken Eskdale cooking for the ribfest.

# MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

**Anget Temple No. 123 Daughters of the Nile** 

# Pie Social and Bazaar

Wa Wa Shrine Centre October 28, 2006 Tickets \$5.00

Available from any Nile Member or at the door



#### November 25, 2006 Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

Please note that on Friday, November 24, 2006 a Stated Session of Wa Wa Temple will take place at 8:00 p.m. in the Saskatoon Masonic Temple preceded by a supper in the Saskatoon Shrine Club Rooms.

Supper tickets \$7.00 per person.

9:00 AM - Registration/ Medicals- Candidates— Saskatoon Shrine Clubrooms

10:30 AM Opening of the Temple

Ritualistic 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sections (All Nobles and Ladies) – Blue Room

12:00 Noon Luncheon – Shrine Club Room (All Nobles and Ladies)

**1:15 PM Second Section** (Nobles only) – Blue Room

Ladies' Program – Shrine Club Room

**2:45 PM Welcome to the Shrine Presentation** – Blue Room

(All Nobles and Ladies)

**4:00 PM** Fezzing Ceremony – Blue Room (All Nobles, Ladies and their guests)

**6:00 PM** Reception – Saskatoon Shrine Club

7:00 PM Dinner/ Installation of Saskatoon Shrine Club Officers – Auditorium

**Lunch Tickets:** \$ 5.00 per person **Dinner Tickets:** \$ 20.00 per person; **cash bar.** 

Please register by calling the Saskatoon Shrine Club at 1-306-653-4666 or

FAX 1-306-244-8854 Email: saskatoonshrineclub@wawashriners.org

**Dress:** Business or Shrine Casual for all in attendance (please wear name tags)

Unit or Shrine Club attire is encouraged. Fez required throughout the day.

Business suit for Dinner and Reception

Nobles and Ladies requiring hotel accommodation to make their own arrangements.

Applications for candidates must be received by the Recorder in the Shrine Center Office in Regina before the Stated Session meeting on Nov. 24, 2006.

Noble Richard Brown Ceremonial Chairman

# **Clubs & Units**

## Regina Shrine Club

#### WaWa Shrine Centre Rocks During MSA

There were over 500 Shriners and their ladies at the Shrine Centre on Thursday evening following the Midwest Shrine parade. Both floors of the Centre were packed to capacity as those in attendance were being serenaded by Colby Nargang, (a Roy Orbison and Elvis Presley impersonator) and our own Alex Lindsay, (D.J.) who set up shop in the Oasis room. The Regina Shrine Club sponsored the event and made sure those who were hungry had Smok'in Okies beef on bun, to keep them nourished. Shrine souvenir beer was also on tap and was a big hit.

Wednesday through Friday the Centre was a meeting place for nobles between competitions and events. There was awesome chili and burgers available and good fellowship to rejuvenate the spirit and soul. Fun was had by all, thanks to the Regina Shrine units who manned the bar and ticket booths to keep the food and drink flowing. Many complements and bouquets were directed to the event and the planning of the MSA in general. If you missed it make sure you don't miss it next time.

The event will show a small profit but the main legacy will be the good time had by those in attendance and those who worked the event. Supporting fellow Shriners and the teamwork of the Regina units are testament to a strong organization. Thanks everyone.

Now that the fall is fast arriving and we get back to our regular routine we have to focus on the Regina Shrine Club Car Raffle. We are on the home stretch and we need a greater effort if we are to meet our goals. We can not extend the draw date on November 4th, so make a point of selling at least one more book, if not two. We can do it. The 2007 Shrine Calendars will also be in circulation so lets put the raffle behind us.

One final big thank you to the nobles of the Regina Shrine Club and their ladies. You know who you are.

#### Wa Wa Drill Corps

#### August 17th, 2006

Unfortunately, our write-up for the last issue of the Warblings did not get into the Warblings. One of those glitches that pop up once in a while. This write-up will include some high-lites from it.

I understand that while some of us were away for the winter months, one of our associate members received his 50-year pin in the Shrine. Thanks for the dedication. Noble Dick Mahara also a one time member of the Drill Corps received his in 2003.

One of the most unfortunate happenings which hit our unit was the passing of Noble Bob Evans. He will be very tough to replace as his ability to march and give instruction will be immensely missed. Our hearts really go out to Lady Eva.

Now that summer is just about over and the MSA is past we now look forward to some relaxation, as we had practiced pretty steadily. It also turned out again this year, the second year in a row, that we had no competition. We were quite disappointed being that we could have competed in our own home town. However, we did put on our demonstration at the Conexus Centre of the Arts using the judges for the Wa Wa Drum Corps just for our own satisfaction to see how we would have done. our marks apparently totalled a 95.75 total percentage points which is one of the highest points we ever scored. The practice was not a waste.

We were present at the Parade in Moose Jaw, Buffalo Days, Regina Beach and of course the MSA. Some of our elder statesmen made the long trek in these parades. Nobles Cliff Mann who is about 87 and Noble Ted Lane with a stroke disability certainly persavered. Hats off too them.

In June, we held our Annual Barbecue and Golf Tournament. It was once again a success. we had four teams made up for our golf event. Unfortunately it did rain, but we did have 14 out of 20 play in the rain. The winning team consisted of Nobles Ted Stadnick, Jeff Barker and Lady Irma Armsworthy. They received the Grand Mug and Prize (Picture). The barbecue had to be moved to the club room of the Shrine Centre. Nobles Terry Yanko & Larry Couse decided that they did not want to golf in the rain so they looked after everything for us at the centre. Thanks to them.

At our last quarterly meeting, Noble Larry Couse decided to have it in his back yard and did a roast of beef on his spit. It was fantastic. We must thank him and his wife for a great evening.

Fall will be here before you know it, the geese go south, the Nobles go south, and here we are looking forward to another year of activity and possibly going to Madison next August. Who knows what might happen. But in the meantime lets put out some hooks and reel in some new members to freshen up our unit. Remember our elder statesmen will be that one year older!!!

Written by Noble Lloyd Ramsdell



#### **Regina Drum Corps**

FLASH !!!!! WA WA Drum Corps awarded First Place honours at the MSA 2006 display competition in Regina. This honour culminates many hours of hard work and commitment from all Drum Corps Nobles – WELL DONE! Our Music

WA WADRUM CORPS. 2006

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Director, John Worhtington, and Marching Director, Ken McDougall, coached, cajoled, and encouraged this team to be the best they could and they will, no doubt, feel justly rewarded for their efforts.

Usually, the passing of the Midwest

Shrine Association convention heralds the end of the annual parade season and things start to slow down a bit; this year may be a different story. The popularity of our new 'Les Miserable' show has prompted requests for us to perform at other Shrine Temples later this fall – exposure to other jurisdictions should help promote Shrinedom and our very important philanthropy.

The Drum Corps has been blessed to count amongst their membership several notable luminaries over the years; this year, Garth Sanders is the MSA President and Ken McDougall is the MSA Director General. Others from our unit have performed important committee duties for the MSA convention this year.

The Drum Corps continues a very busy schedule of activities and we have been fortunate to welcome new members to our fold over the past while, in large part due to our reputation for hard work and contribution to Shrine goals. We welcome interested Nobles who share these goals.

Respectfully submitted Andy Anderson August 18, 2006

#### Regina Klown Unit

Regina Klowns, as hosts of Mid West, held competitions Friday Aug 11 at the Northgate Mall to the delight of public spectators.

The Saturday morning parade was also judged by the International Shrine Clown Judges.

Saturday morning, just before the parade, an awards breakfast was held along with an AGM and Noble Ken "Skezix"

Eskdale, President of MSCA, passed the gavel to the representative from Madison WI who will host next year.

Winners of the award for Best Parade Unit will be sent their awards.

For a small unit we have accomplished some major feats and had fun doing it. Unfortunately, it kept us too busy to participate in the parades, and according to our rules, host clowns may not compete. WaWa clowns from Saskatoon appeared in both parades.

The WaWa Klowns are very happy to welcome a new Joey to the group, Bruce Jardine has already participated in a few parades and has been an enthusiastic helper in putting on the Mid West.

We are always happy to welcome new members to the fold.

Noble Ken Eskdale

## Wa Wa Pipes and Drums

Starting with a double-header on July 1, (Regina Beach and the RCMP Sunset Ceremony), the band had one weekend off leading up to and including the MSA. We also accomplished three more Sunset Ceremonies on various Tuesdays as well as our regular practices on Thursdays and two extra Sunday practices. Needless to say, we are all enjoying our "break" on completion of the MSA although we are still deeply committed to three fund raising activities. One of these is the sale of Early Bird Grey Cup Pool Tickets as splendidly organized by Piper Murray Kyle. These may be obtained from any member of the Pipes and Drums for the poultry sum of \$2.00.

#### MSA — A Many Splendored Event

The Wa Wa Pipes & Drums not only marched at the head of both the evening and

day parades, but competed against khartoum (Winnipeg) and AAD (Duluth) in dress, dormation marching, piping and drumming. This year, we won in all categories after a drought dating back to MSA 2000. Our new Piper Major, Danny Matheson is to be congratulated for his leadership. However, the contribution of our past Pipe Major, Bruce Cooke, who rode the Black Camel earlier this year, was felt as he was the one that had picked the tunes.

On completion of the competition an awards luncheon was held at the Royal United Services Institute. Our judges were Sergeant Steve Smedley (serving RCMP) for dress and Marching; Neill Bruce (RCMP Pipes & Drums) for drumming, and Pipe Sergeant David MacKintosh (Saskatoon Police Band) for the pipes. These three excellent judges gave rousing adjudications at the awards luncheon which were much

appreciated by all.

As a final note, congratulations are in order for all the Wa Wa organizers of MSA '06 with a special hurrah for P/P Ken McMillan and his committee for the Pipes and Drums events.

Noble Graham Bradley



#### Wa Wa T-Bird Patrol

The T-Bird Patrol had a very successful year, we attended nine Parades, the Ceremonial, Moose Jaw, Indian Head, Ft. Qu'Appelle, Medicine Hat, Buffalo Days and the Mid West. Most of our parades were concluded by a Unit get together, these gatherings are enjoyed by all.

To date, we have refurbished two cars and have purchased the new motors for the other eight cars. The plan now is to raise sufficient funds to complete the refurbishing of the other eight cars this winter.

Our fund raising has gone quite well and these sources were: the T-Bird Dances, the Irish Stew Supper, some catering, and the receipt of some Donations. The dances and the Irish supper have been well attended. We wish to thank those who patronized us at these events.

Coming events: The T-Bird Trot Saturday,

October 7 at the Shrine Centre with music by Len Gadica, admission will be \$12.50 per person, with a light lunch to follow. Everyone is welcome to attend, so gather up your friends and come out and enjoy a great evening of dancing. Tickets are available from all T-Bird Members.

Albert May Wa Wa T-Bird Patrol



#### **Estevan and District Shrine Club**

The Estevan and District Shrine Club has had a busy year to date.

We presently have four patients in various stages of treatment. All have nothing but praise for the Shrine organization and the hospitals.

We had the Tarzan Zurbini Shrine Circus May 30 in Estevan. The three shows were at 9:30, 1:00 and 7:30. As usual all three were sell outs. It was a very successful event for our club.

On June 7, an annual golf evening was held at the Gateway Cities Golf Course in Portal. Noble Alan Davis did an excellent job of BBQing the steaks. The ladies brought salads and an awesome dessert.

We have been very active at the local parades during the summer. The Scooter Patrol appeared on July 1 at the Canada Day parade in Beinfait, July 7 at the Estevan Pro Rodeo Parade and at the two MidWest parades in Regina.

We had representation at the Wa Wa Shrine Golf Tournament in Weyburn this summer.

Our President Reed Gibson and Lady Sylvia attended. Noble Alan Davis attended and was on the winning team. A feather in our cap!

The annual summer BBQ was held at Noble Barry and Lady Pam Brown's cabin at White Bear Lake.

Barry and Pam made their special beef roast on the BBQ, while the rest of the club brought the fixings. A great time was had by all

We had good representation at the Mid West Shrine Association meetings in Regina.

Our club had the honour of looking after "Fez Head Fred". Fez Head Fred and his entourage made a number of appearances in Regina; at the local shopping malls, in the parades, at the Allan Blair Cancer Clinic, the Conexus Art Centre and a highlight was an appearance on the CTV News at Noon with Angel Sombrutzki and Tara Robinson.

A special moment for our whole group came at the Friday evening social with the presentation made by a patient from Moose Jaw. Not a dry eye was seen in our group.

It was a real touching and heartfelt moment for everyone. It makes what we do gain a special significance.

We will continue to do the work we do for the greatest philanthropy in the world.





#### **Goose Lake Shriners**

Goose Lake's activities of 2006 began with the February card party in Kindersley.

At the March Wa Wa Curling Noble Ian Carberry's curling foursome (2005 Champions) came oh-so-close, but didn't repeat the win. Thanks to host President Earl Swalm (who's originally from Kindersley) and Moose Jaw Nobles for a good time!

The April Bowling Social in Rosetown had another large crowd. Anniversary presentations, food, fun and fellowship were once again the story of this major spring event.

In May, many Nobles and Ladies were involved with their concordant annual events — OES, Royal Arch and Cryptic Rite ... Congratulations to Past President Noble Jim Graham on his successful year as Grand

Master of Western Canada's Royal & Select

June 4 was a perfect day for the Annual Golf Day at Sask Landing Provincial Park by supper and a meeting. Big thanks again to our hosts, Noble Colin and Lady Rowena MacKeracher!

June Rose Days again was a popular fundraiser for Goose Lake, with sales on two consecutive Tuesdays. Boat Award ticket sales were good. Chairman Noble Bill Cridland noted that the schedule this year allowed the Club only one venue — the week in the Kindersley Mall.

Mid June, Goose Lake Shriners were well represented in Prince Albert at the Grand Lodge 100th Anniversary. Congratulations to Kindersley Lodge No. 86, who received both the Korpan and Rennie Awards for the second consecutive year. Most of Goose Lake's Shriners are Kindersley Masons.

June 30: More golf at Eston Riverside Park. Best team score went to Noble Bill Cridland and Dan Bertram (Pres. Joe's son); high score to Ladies Bev Loppacher and Carole Cooney. Some 30 Nobles, Ladies and guests enjoyed a steak supper. Members noted changed date for the next Club event the Kindersley Goose Festival and parade will be September 23, a week earlier than usual.

Dan Gerle



Past President Jim Graham and Noble Dan Gerle on the tee at Sask Landing Provincial Park — a great June day for golf.



Goose Lake Chairman Bill and Lady Ruth Cridland work a shift on Boat Ticket Sales in the Kindersley Mall.



Bev Loppacher and Carole Cooney; Low score — Dan Bertram (son of Pres. Joe) and Noble Bill Cridland.

Golf Teams: High score — Ladies





June Golf at Sask Landing: Goose Lake Hosts, Noble Colin and Lady Rowena MacKeracher.

#### "takin' care of business" - Secretary MacKeracher, Pres. Bertram and Treasurer Empey.

#### **Swift Current Shrine Club**

We have had a busy summer at the Swift Current Shrine CLub.

The Nobles, Ladies, and Masons again played hosts to the Soccer windup and provided hot dogs and soft drinks.

The Drum and Bugle band paraded in the July 1st parade in Swift Current. They also paraded at Shaunavon and at the Mid-West in over 50 in attendance. Regina. Our clown patrol also participated.

Our July BBQ night was attended by Ill Sir Gerry Hodges and Lady Pearl along with our Liasion officer, Noble Don

McDougall and Lady Jill. Our August supper was a Hamburger night and we had

The Harley Davidson Motor Bike draw is doing well, and we expect to make a sizeable donation to the Patient Travel Fund.

We hope you all have a good summer. We have had wonderful weather.

Noble Ron Heeg



Swift Current Drum and Bugle Band on parade at Swift Current, July 1st.



Nobles and Masons cooking hot dogs at soccer wind-up.



Pres. Noble Bis Wiskar at soccer wind-up.



Myrna Gross, Dorothy Hill and Roy Reinhart at the soccer windup.





# Wa Wa Shrine Annual Meeting Potentate's Ball

Saturday, January 20,2007

#### **Annual Meeting**

Wa Wa Shrine Centre 2065 Hamilton Street Regina, Saskatchewan

**Nobles Only** 

12:30 p.m. Noble Registration 1:00 p.m. Annual Meeting Reports, Elections

Open to all Ladies, Friends and Guests
2:00 p.m. Memorial Service
Installation of New Divan
Introduction of Club Presidents

Accommodations are your responsibility. We have a block of rooms at the Hotel Saskatchewan. Call toll free 1-800-667-5828, ask for the Shrine bloc of rooms.

#### Potentate's Ball

Hotel Saskatchewan Reception 6:00 p.m. Divan Entrance 6:45 p.m. Dinner 7:00 p.m.

**Unit Performances Special PR Presentaton** 

Tickets: \$45.00 person \$80.00/couple

Attention Nobles. To attend the AGM you require your 2007 Dues Card. The Office will be open to receive your dues and issue your card.

Ticket Reservation \$45.00/Person \$80.00 Couple	Pre-sale Tickets Only, available at the Shrine Centre Office after Sept. 1, 2006 Limited to 400 — Cut Off Date January 6, 2007	
Name:		
Address:	City:	
Phone:	Postal Code:	
Club/Unit	Number of Tickets:	
Enclosed Cheque \$Cred	lit Card: MC Visa #Expiry Date	

# Official Call Annual Meeting Es Selamu Aleikum

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of Wa Wa Temple A.A.O.N.M.S. will be held at the Shrine Centre, 2065 Hamilton Street, Regina, SK., on Saturday, January 20, 2007, for the election of officers and representatives for the ensuing year; the presentation of reports of the Potentate, Treasurer, and other Officers; and for the transaction of such business as may come before the meeting. Your attention is called to Section 325.10 of the Imperial Council Bylaws, Election Regulations: (a) The printing, publication, circulation of, distribution of resolutions, letters, telegrams, tickets or other devices by a Noble, suggesting, recommending, opposing or containing the names of proposed candidates for the office in the Temple is prohibited. (b) For any violation of (a) the Imperial Potentate may suspend any offending Nobles, and he may declare the election of the officers void and order a new election. (c) At least one week prior to the Annual Meeting or any election, the Temple Recorder shall mail to each member a notice thereof containing this section. ATTEST: Gerry Hodges, Potentate.

#### **Memorial Service**

At the 2007 Annual Meeting the Memorial Service will be held Saturday, January 20th in the supper hall of the Shrine Centre, 2065 Hamilton Street, Regina, at 2:00 p.m.

The Memorial Service is open to the public. The service is dedicated to the memory of the Nobles that have been taken by the black camel since our last annual meeting. This is a touching remembrance made complete by a large attendance of our Nobles, ladies, families and friends.

Each club has been asked to provide a candle bearer for each Noble from that club to be honored. Please Attend, we will see you there.

Richard Brown, AGM Chairman

# Types of Conditions Treated at Shriners Hospitals

Shriners Hospitals for Children is a network of 22 pediatric hospitals in the U.S., Canada and Mexico that provide specialized care for orthopaedic conditions, burns, spinal cord injuries, and cleft lip and palate. *All services are provided at no charge.* 

All children, up to 18 years old, may be eligible for treatment at a Shriners Hospital if they can benefit from specialized care available at Shriners Hospitals. Eligibility is not based on financial need or relationship to a Shriner.

For more information about Shriners Hospitals for Children, call 1-800-361-7256 in Canada. Information is also available at www.shrinershq.org.

#### Orthopaedic Care

Nineteen of the 22 Shriners Hospitals specialize in congenital orthopaedic abnormalities, problems resulting from injuries, and diseases of the bones, joints and muscles. Conditions treated at these hospitals include, but are not limited to:

- spinal deformities, including scoliosis
- osteogenesis imperfecta (brittle bone disease)
- orthopaedic problems resulting from cerebral palsy, spinal bifida or other neuromuscular disorders
- · hand and upper-extremity problems
- limb deficiencies
- · leg-length discrepancies
- clubfoot
- · Legg-Perthes disease and other hip disorders

#### Burn Care

Four of the 22 Shriners Hospitals specialize in the treatment of burns. These hospitals are staffed and equipped to treat:

- · acute burns, including scald injuries
- severe scarring resulting in contractures or interference with mobility
- · scarring and disfigurement of the face
- healed burns requiring plastic, reconstructive or restorative surgery
- smoke inhalation

#### Spinal Cord Injury Rehabilitation

Spinal cord injury units at the Shriners Hospitals in Chicago, Philadelphia and Sacramento, Calif. are specifically designed to treat children with spinal cord injuries. Service include:

- aggressive, research-based rehabilitative care
- · physical, occupational and recreation therapy
- · psychological counseling
- exercised-based wellness/fitness programs

#### Cleft Lip and Palate

Shriners Hospitals also specializes in the treatment of cleft lip and palate. This includes:

- lip and palate repair
- nasal reconstruction
- orthognathic (jaw) surgery
- · dental procedures
- audiological, speech and psychological services



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