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Ill. Sirs, Ladies and Nobles, rumour has it that Spring and Summer are just around the corner. Lady Betty and I hope you had a good winter, whether you spent it at home or down south. May has come and believe it or not we are one third of the way into 2014. They say time flies when you're having fun.

2014 brings in a new year, Divan and new challenges. Together, these Nobles are tasked with ensuring successful solutions on whatever arises in maintaining the efficient operation of WA WA Temple. We have a new Recorder (David Paul), Marshal (Herb Butz) and Outer Guard (Ken Shaw). Thank you to those who filled those positions in 2013.

Successes are an important part of our daily lives, be it work, family or even hobby related. We look for successes within the Temple and Shrine Clubs. These may be in the form of a great parade, rose sales and onion sales, Little Chicago Night and other fundraisers. Along with success comes satisfaction and that great feeling of accomplishment, commonly known as pride. It is these accomplishments that will help in attracting new Masons and ultimately new Nobles.

This year will see many changes in some areas. Our WA WA website is being revamped. We are adding more content and updating the required information that is already there. The Warblings is taking somewhat of a new look and are asking for more articles and pictures from the Shrine Clubs and their Units. At the AGM, I said that we have to improve the way we communicate, and this is definitely one step in the right direction. Sharing information will benefit everyone.

Temple maintenance upkeep is ongoing and we are responsible to do so in a cost effective manner. Therefore, we've revisited our facilities renting procedures and some needed amendment were made. Temples throughout the Midwest and beyond are also renting out their facilities. It is important to remember that in a time of declining membership this can and will provide funds for Temple operations.

The addition of a new clerk (Lisa Dunbar) in the office will assist the Recorder in managing administration duties, as things are changing in the office. This will free up the Recorder for other Shrine related duties.

The area of being financially responsible is also under scrutiny. Example, with the recent increase in mailing costs, organizations

such as ours will feel a definite impact. We are also looking at ways to do more of our business via emails, faxing or other electronic means such as Warblings on-line, emailing out receipts, etc.

Some fundraising projects had a slight drop in the past year, we have to revisit these areas and make changes to bring them back to their previous level or better in raising funds.

Another area of high priority is membership, with out new members this great philanthropy will continue to decline. Many of our members are getting older and can't do the things they used to do. We must help them stay involved as these are proud Nobles. The time has come to get out and get new young men and women to take the reins and keep this great organization going. This may mean creating new Units to attract the younger crowd and presently we are in the process of forming two new units (Hillbilly and Car Unit), and there may be more to come.

Our membership chairman (Wayne Miner) is in the process of setting up meetings and educational sessions to recruit new members province wide. I ask that you assist him whenever required. We will also be looking into clubs that are struggling and assist them in any way to keep them alive. Unfortunately, we lost Goose Lake last year.

The Circuses will be here in late May and early June. Please get out and help at the locations if you can.

June is Ceremonial and time to bring in new Nobles. We ask that you work towards recruiting new men and their Ladies. Check with your Lodges, friends and neighbours for the possibility of new members.

Imperial is being held July 6th to 10th in Minneapolis. Please consider attending as a Unit or by yourself. This is the closest to us for a few years to come. For more information go to www.imperial2014.com or call the Temple. Mid West Shrine Association (MSA) will be in Sioux Falls SD, Aug. 20th -23rd. There are good times to be had and new friends to make.

In conclusion you can see the Divan is taking things seriously and to a new level. Time has come for us to change the way we do business or we won't be in business.

From myself and Lady Betty have a safe spring & summer!

RECORDERS MESSAGE



I want to thank the Nobility for electing me to serve as your Recorder for the ensuing Term in 2014. It is a great honor and I value this position and will strive to provide the highest quality of service to this fraternity.

Office staff: David Paul, Georgia Crone, Lisa Dunbar

We have a great office staff with Georgia Crone, as she has been with the Shrine for over 19 years and brings valuable knowledge and skills. Thank you, Georgia, for your devotion and hard work, you are a great asset to the Shrine. New to our office staff is Lisa Dunbar and myself. Lisa is new in the administration position, and has a vast knowledge and experience in the field, she also brings with her great new ideas.

My knowledge and skills are related in business management, accounting, retail, and over the past 35 years in the computer technology industry.

We all look forward to providing the WA WA Shriners with exciting new concepts for the shrine ??????

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As technology grows we can also maintain spending and drastically cut costs in keeping the temple in the black.

Membership: Total: 866; New 0; Restore 2; Demit 3; Expired 9

Up Coming Events: Stated Sessions May 20th, Circus Starts in Saskatchewan

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First Lady's Project

There is a variety of prizes available for donors to the Pain Management Research project: items from Hyundai, a machine embroidered picture by Mary Ann Couse of the Mega Block logo with WA WA fez, Calvin Klein unisex sunglasses and a

Bernie Brown inspirational poem and picture.

Donations can be made online. Links can be found on wawashriners.org in the Menu under "Links" then click on First Lady's Project. There is also a link on Facebook @ Regina Shrine Club.



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2014 WA WA Ceremonial

June 20th, 21st, 22nd Saskatoon, SK.



You do not want to miss this important event. Contact the Regina Shrine Office for tickets. Ph: 306-569-2294 or Email: shrinecentre@wawashriners.org

Friday, June 20th

- 4:00 - 5:00 pm Registration for New Candidates in small tent.
- 5:00 pm Drinks
- 6:00 pm Supper (\$10) Hosted by S'toon Shrine Club. Not part of the package
- 7:00 pm ** Official opening of the Temple. Ladies to attend this opening.
- 8:00 pm ** 1st & 3rd Section. Blue Room of the Masonic Temple.
- 9 pm-1am Social Evening in tent, club and auditorium. Cash



** means please wear your Fez

Saturday, June 21st

- 7:30 am Candidates transported to rink for breakfast.
- 8:00 - 8:30am Candidates breakfast at curling rink.
- 8am - 9am Breakfast (\$10) In the auditorium, hosted by Drums & Bugles
- 9:00 - 11am ** 2nd Section CN Curling Club
- 11am-2pm Ladies Brunch (\$30) Willows Golf Club, hosted by Lady Betty Eskdale.
- 11:30-12pm Candidates & Nobles Lunch (\$10) Auditorium. Hosted by Saskatoon Entertainment Committee.
- 2:30 pm ** Warman Parade for all units. *see note
- 6:00 pm Attitude adjustment
- 7:00pm- 12am Banquet & Hoe Down (\$30)

Sunday, June 22nd

- 8:30 am Windup Breakfast in the auditorium. (\$10)
- 10:00 am ** Fezzing & Closing of the Temple.

There will be a 60x60 tent erected in the back parking lot of the club for a number of events this weekend.

Transportation for Candidates and Ladies for the all events

Music and entertainment for Saturday Hoe Down provided by "Bowlegged Deputy of Dist. 5".

* The Shrine Club bar will be open shortly after the return from the parade for socializing and enjoyment.

Ceremonial Ticket Request Form

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Saturday Ladies Brunch

Sat. Candidates & Nobles Lunch

Saturday Night Hoe Down

Sunday Nobles & Ladies Breakfast

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Lady

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\$30

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Please circle your ticket choices

If you have any food restrictions, please notify the office when ordering your banquet tickets.

Total Enclosed: _____

W.A.W.A. Shrine Events Calendar

May

Wed.- Fri. May 7-9	Donor Developments Seminar	Chicago	For Donor Dev. Rep.
Sunday, May 11th	Riot Football Game - 1/2 Show 12pm	Regina	
Tues.-Thurs. May 13-15	Hospital Seminar	Montreal	HP&Prophet, PR Rep
Tuesday, May 20th	Divan Meeting 2:00pm	Shrine Temple	All Divan
Tuesday, May 20th	Stated Session 7:00 pm	Shrine Temple	All Nobles
Tuesday, May 27th	Circus	S. Current	All
Wednesday, May 28th	Circus	Battlefords	All

June

Sunday, June 1st	Circus	Saskatoon	All
Monday, June 2nd	Circus	Yorkton	All
Wednesday, June 4th	Circus	Estevan	All
Fri.,Sat.,Sun. June 6,7,8	Circus	Regina	All
Tuesday, June 17th	Divan Meeting (11am)	Shrine Temple	Divan
Fri.,Sat.,Sun. June 20,21,22	Ceremonial	Saskatoon	
Thurs.,Fri.,Sat., June 26,27,28	Grand Lodge	Regina	

July

Sunday, July 13	Weyburn Summer Party	Pote and Liaison Officers	
Tuesday, July 15th	Divan Meeting 2pm	Shrine Temple	Divan
Fri.,Sat.,Sun. July 25,26,27	Provincial Golf	Prince Albert	All

August

Saturday, August 30th	Potes Visit and Installation-BBQ	Indian Head	
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September

Tuesday, Sept. 16th	Divan Meeting (2pm)	Shrine Temple	Divan
Tuesday, Sept. 16th	Stated Session (7pm)	Shrine Temple	All Nobles



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On February 28th workers on site celebrated the last concrete pour which marked the completion of the building structure.

The Shriners International flag was hoisted to the top of the structure to mark the special occasion.

A winter BBQ was also hosted in the celebrations.

More pictures and information can be found on Facebook at:

ShrinersHospitalsforchildrenCanada



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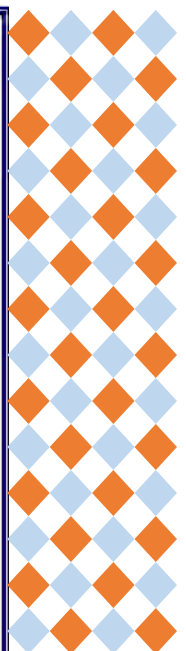
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From Winnipeg to Sochi

Winnipeg's Spencer Lambert (12 yrs), along with his father, were sent to the 2014 Sochi Paralympics Games that ran from March 7th - 16th. He was sent as an ambassador for para - sports from the Air Canada Foundation and Canadian Paralympic Committee together with the Shriners Hospitals for Children Canada.

Spencer was born with Spina Bifida and can only walk short distances with the aid of crutches. He has gone to the Shriners Hospital for Children - Canada over the years to help treat some of his symptoms.

You can read more on Spencer's trip on the Shriners Hospital for Children-Canada Facebook page.



Photos taken from Shriners Hospitals-Canada Facebook page



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- Keep gas hoses away from hot surfaces and hot grease.
- Keep children away from the gas valve and the grill.
- Keep loose clothing away from the hot barbecue.
- When you finish, turn the valve off first to allow the gas in the hose to be burned off, then turn off the burner controls so no gas remains trapped in the hose.
- Allow your barbecue to cool completely before covering it.
- When shopping for a new barbecue, look for the CSA Blue Flame Mark which shows that the BBQ meets recognized Canadian safety standards.

Don't...

- Leave the barbecue unattended when in use.
- Allow grease to build up. Clean the burners and grill regularly to minimize the risk of a serious grease fire.
- Put water on a grease fire. It will only cause the flames to flare.
- Barbecue in an enclosed space, such as a garage. For ventilation and safety reasons, move your barbecue into the open at least 10 feet away from windows and doors.
- Place your barbecue near wooden fences or walls, beneath a combustible roof overhead or even under a tree with low branches. Be extra careful about the area behind the BBQ where hot gases escape and could create a fire hazard.



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In Memoriam



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Deceased: Jan.19, 2014
Initiated: Oct.17, 1959



R. Garth Sanders P.P. 76
68 Hudson Drive
Regina, Sk. S4S 2W6
Deceased: Jan.31, 2014
Initiated: June 12, 1999



John Miller 90
164 Sunset Drive N
Yorkton, Sk. S3N 3L1
Deceased: Feb. 27, 2014
Initiated: June 9, 2001



William V. Cridland 88
525-7th Ave. East
Moose Jaw, SK. S6H 8B6
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Philip Selody 85
380-1260 Raymer Ave.
Kelowna, BC. V1W 3S7
Deceased: Feb. 28, 2014
Initiated: June 14, 1968



Merle Roome 86
218-330 Plainsview Drive
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Deceased: Mar.13, 2014
Initiated: June 24, 1978



Edward Berryere 82
Unit 26-3108 Louise Place
Saskatoon, SK. S7J 5K3
Deceased: Mar. 14, 2014
Initiated: June 27, 1981



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432-65 Westfield Dr.
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Deceased: Mar. 25, 2014
Initiated: June 18, 1971



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Initiated: June 22, 1963



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Deceased: Apr.12, 2014
Initiated: June 17, 1986



George William Smith 81
PO Box 172
Maryfield, SK. S0G 3K0
Deceased: Apr. 20, 2014
Initiated: Nov. 6, 2005

AN INTERESTING READ

One day while surfing the net for some Shriners pictures I stumbled upon this article.

It was an interesting read and insight to how the current generation sees fraternal organizations. And a thank you to the writer, Candi Strecker, for personally giving me permission to reprint her article.

Looking Under The Fez

ONCE THEY ROAMED THE EARTH, PROUD AND FREE. Mighty herds of Moose and Elk, great flocks of Eagles, pride after pride of Lions. But finest of all were the Shriners. Romping & gamboling & driving miniature cars in precision formation, the gold-and-rhinestone trim on their bright red fezzes sparkling in the sun; truly, they were the most playful of all fraternal organizations!

While they're not yet extinct, these days the Shriners could be called an endangered species. At the turn of the century, millions of men - possibly one out of every five adult males in the United States - belonged to one or more fraternal lodges. But as times and attitudes change, these all-male social organizations are literally dying out. "The Black Camel is advancing on us" say the Shriners, who have lost over one-third of their membership since 1980. And it's hard to see where they'll find young replacements for the members who leave in a hearse. It never occurs to most of us nowadays to belong to a lodge. When was the last time one of your buddies turned to you and said, "Dude, next week I'm joining the Kiwanis"?

Apparently, fraternal organizations offer things that nobody wants any more: buddy-buddy fellowship, mumbo-jumbo rituals, and frequent mandatory meetings. But even though we may not want to join them, it's still possible to admire them from a certain (ironic) distance. It's a bit like watching the last of the dinosaurs thunder off into the sunset, doomed but glorious. We know the world may never see their like again. The Shriners, the boldest and most in-your-face of all the fraternal organizations, hold a special fascination for me and many others.

Most of us couldn't tell an Elk from a Rotarian from an Odd Fellow, but we all know at least something about the Shriners: that they wear those funny hats, that they support a network of charity hospitals for children, that they've organized themselves around a hokey Arabian Nights theme. And most of all, we know them from their public appearances in parades and such,

dressed as clowns, or teetering on tiny mini-bikes, or tooling around in go-karts decked out as miniature cars or trucks (or even, in the case of a Kansas crew called the Wheatwackers, mini-threshing machines.) To a person with a post-modern sensibility, red-fezzed Shriners present an irresistible retro image. They're like walking, talking clip-art!

Though most of us have some idea what they look like, not many know what the Shriners actually are. Officially, they're the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine (A.A.O.N.M.S.), founded in 1872 as a fun-loving recreational super-fraternity. A colorful Near East theme runs through everything they do. Their 191 chapters or "Temples" bear names like Sahara, Tangier, Damascus, Mecca, and Nile. They surround themselves with Ali Baba trappings of pyramids, camels, palm trees, and scimitars. Dressed in Bedouin robes, new Nobles are initiated in a symbolic journey across a desert's burning sands to an oasis, where thirsts are quenched with free-flowing wine. While real Moslems shun alcohol, the play-Arabs of the Shrine have a reputation as party-hearty drinkers. The Shrine's annual conventions are famous for bringing together thousands of jolly, tipsy, boys-will-be-boys carousers for a week of good-natured minor mayhem.

But rearrange the letters A.A.O.N.M.S. and they spell "A MASON," a not-so-subtle clue that one must first be "a Mason" in order to become a Shriner. If you're seeking a dark side to the Shriners' frisky tomfoolery, here's where to look, because the Masons (or Freemasons) are an older, larger, and much more mysterious group.

For centuries, outsiders have speculated about the Masons' secret oaths, rituals, and handshakes, all based on legendary stonemasons who supposedly built medieval cathedrals and Old Testament temples. (For this reason, Masonic symbols include builders' tools like the compass, the square, and the trowel.)

With members as illustrious as George Washington, Winston Churchill, Mozart, Ty Cobb and Roy Rogers, you'd think the Masons would be above reproach. But their secrecy and claims of ancient wisdom make them a magnet for every paranoid theorist. Masons are lumped in with the Trilateralists, the Bavarian Illuminati, the New World Order and all those other bogeymen who are supposedly pulling our strings from behind the curtain. A recent episode of "The Simpsons" perfectly captured these fears, as the secret society of "Stonecutters" gathered to gloat over their octopus-like reach into every aspect of life:

Who controls the British crown?

Who keeps the metric system down?

Who robs cave fish of their sight?

Who rigs every Oscar night?

We do! We doooooooo.

When you become a Shriner-watcher, you inevitably have to confront the question of whether the Freemasons are a shadowy cabal of masterminds or a sociable bunch of fuddy-duddy insurance salesmen. It's fun to indulge in paranoia, and I'm as fond as the next guy of Pynchon and Robert Anton Wilson and Smoking Man episodes of "The X-Files." But I also try to look at the Shriners the way I do professional wrestlers: drawing a line between Entertainment and Reality. And I just can't believe these fraternal organizations are anything but a bunch of harmless old coots who like to dress up and chant some ritual claptrap. A little voice in the back of my mind pipes up "Sure, that's what they WANT you to believe." But common sense suggests that if these groups really had any powerful secrets, they'd have waiting lists of people eager to join, instead of plummeting membership rosters.

The one power that Masons and Shriners do control is the ability to keep women outside their Temple's doors. And this seems to be at the heart of both their former appeal and their current decline. It's as if men once deeply craved opportunities to withdraw from the fearful presence of women. Nowadays, despite the occasional noise about men-from-mars-women-from-venus, we just don't have that anxious need to escape from each other. Men and women don't inhabit separate spheres in the modern world. We bump up against each other all day long, at work and at play, and we don't seem to have a big problem with that.

Whenever possible, men and women choose to be together, whether it's in co-ed dormitories or on co-ed softball teams. Sure, we sneak out for the occasional boy's night out or all-girl-evening to bitch and blow off a little steam. But we don't require formal clubs with frequent meetings and robes and regalia to do so. *

Another conflict that keeps modern men out of the fraternal life is society's demands on our time. We've all heard that life was harder back in Great-Grandpa's day, but he did seem to have plenty of leisure time to spend down at the lodge. Today we're busy with our careers, busy with our families, and when we want entertainment, we've got TV and videos and the internet right in our homes. After days full of packed schedules and time conflicts, the last thing we want is the Lions' Club or the Shriners making more irritating demands on our time.

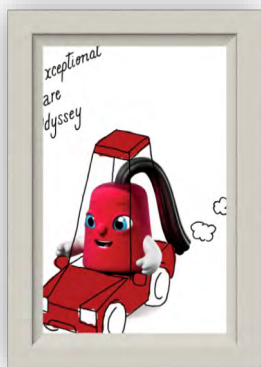
Still, there are a few ways in which hip post-modern people can relate to the Shriners. One of these is the appeal of Exotica. The Shriners adore wrapping everything into a fancy package of Orientalia, a fantasy world of camels and oases, turbans and fezzes, Poo-bahs and Rajahs, and Most High Imperial Potentates. We are suckers (in an ironic, tongue-in-cheek way) for Exotica from the really, really Far East: bamboo - trimmed tiki bars, pineapple-garnished cocktails, and the birdcall-laced sounds of Martin Denny.

The rituals of every fraternal organization are laced with grandiose speechifying about returning to lost, mysterious, ancient truths. We've read that kind of stuff before: on the backs of our collectible 50s record albums, the ones with names like Taboo and Primitiva.

And we can certainly sympathize with the Shriners' urge to escape every once in a while into an evening of costumed role-playing. The Shriners play at being Sheiks and Nobles of a loyal, royal Desert Brotherhood. We want to pretend to be what the Shriners themselves were. We put on their cast-off fezzes (picked up at a yard sale or thrift store) and dress in sharkskin suits or cocktail dresses, put some Mancini or Dean Martin on the stereo, and sample a cigar or a martini. And just for one night, we transform ourselves into ... confident, prosperous, Cadillac-driving aluminum-sided salesmen, without a serious thought in our heads except having a serious good time. And to our surprise, it feels pretty darn good.

It's a crazy, mixed-up, one-step-removed way of being a Shriner, but it's probably as near as most members of our generation are ever going to get.

The Exceptional Care Odyssey Rolls In To Saskatchewan



Exceptional Care Odyssey kicks off May 13 on a 66 day whirlwind car trip. A red Ford Explorer decorated like a Shriners Fez, tassels and all, leaves from the Shriners Hospitals for Children - Canada travels to Atlantic Canada, the north eastern United States, eastern Canada and all the way to British Columbia where the voyage culminates in Victoria.

The Exceptional Care Odyssey makes 55 stops where there will be BBQ's, parades, press conferences, and many local patients and Shriners to meet. The list goes on.

The Exceptional Care Odyssey is an opportunity to inform parents from coast to coast about the specialized orthopedic care provided to children. It allows us to talk about the ties we have with local children's hospitals with whom we partner to ensure patients receive the highest quality care available in their own community, and when needed at our hospital.

It is also a chance to unveil our new hospital and the myriad of ways it will improve patient care thanks to larger clinic areas, twice as many operating rooms, a significantly bigger research facility, more space or physiotherapy and occupational therapy.

Saskatchewan Odyssey Dates

Monday June 23rd, 2014

Moosomin & Regina

Tuesday June 24th, 2014

Moose Jaw & Saskatoon

Wednesday June 25th, 2014

Prince Albert, Battlefords & Lloydminster



CARTER'S CORNER



Hi! My name is Carter Brown. I live in Milestone, SK. I have been a patient at the Shriners Hospital for Children in Montreal for over 7 years. I started going when I was a baby to get treatments to make my bones stronger.



I was born with Osteogenesis Imperfecta, or OI for short. My mom and I are going to update you on all my exciting adventures. Since I'm an ambassador for raising money for the new hospital, I will tell you about that too. So far I have raised \$7314!!



My family is going back to Montreal in June for my treatments. I get to bring my brother with us this time and that makes me really happy. In August I will be an ambassador at the hospital's golf tournament. It's not mini golf, it's real golf and I hope I get to hit a ball too!

I hope you liked reading Carter's Corner!

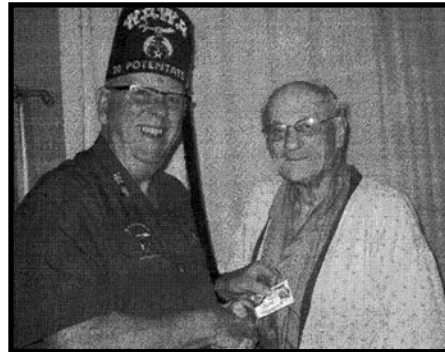
See you next time.



60 YEAR PIN RECIPIENT

Noble Andy Myles, a Carrot River Valley Shriner, was presented with the FIRST ever WA WA 60 Year Pin by Ill. Sir Bill Forrest who made a surprise visit to his Saskatoon hospital room on December 6, 2013.

Noble Myles shared many interesting stories of his proud involvement with the Shrine, and recalled that in 1953 there were two classes of new candidates, one in the spring and one in the fall. Each brought over 120 candidates. Andy is looking forward to getting home and back to CRV Shrine Club breakfasts! Congratulations Andy, you are an inspiration to us all!



Executive for 2014

L-R: Al Caithcart (treasurer), Dennis Scutchings (secretary), Brock Karst (Vice-President), Barry Reid (President). Thanks to these individuals for stepping forward and working to ensure Carrot River Valley Shrine continues in all of its good work.

Review of 2013!

Three couples attended ceremonial where we had a new member join.

The scooter patrol participated in three parades with a lunch social after each one.

We sold 670 dozen roses and 200 calendars.

In 2013 we donated \$4472.00 to WA WA and also \$1000.00 to the Philippine Relief fund.

Thanks to Ill. Sir Bill and Lady Jan, Liaison Herb Doll and Lady Linda and Liaison Wayne Miner for their visits!



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Noble Ron McEachern
Imperial Donor Relations Director

Noble W. Douglas Kearn
Member of WA WA Pipes and Drums

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WEYBURN & DISTRICT SHRINE CLUB

What's Going On In Weyburn

Our first meeting of the year was held at the Weyburn Legion on Wednesday, April 16th. 17 Nobles and Ladies were present. Thank you to Noble Roy Gaebel, Noble Doug Keam and Noble Ken Shaw for their attendance.

The Soo Patrol will be participating in several parades this year- Weyburn, Ogema, Creelman, Estevan and the Ceremonial Parade. We will also be helping the Estevan Shrine Club with their circus and are looking into the possibility of having a circus in Weyburn in 2015.



Upcoming summer events:

Hotdog and Hamburger Sale on the Weyburn Co-op Deck on Thursday, July 31st.

The Latomia/Weyburn Lodge annual Summer Social on Sunday, July 13th at the Barlow Farm in Griffin, SK.

Our annual meeting, Installation of Officers and Potentates reception will be held at the Weyburn Legion on Thursday, October 16th.



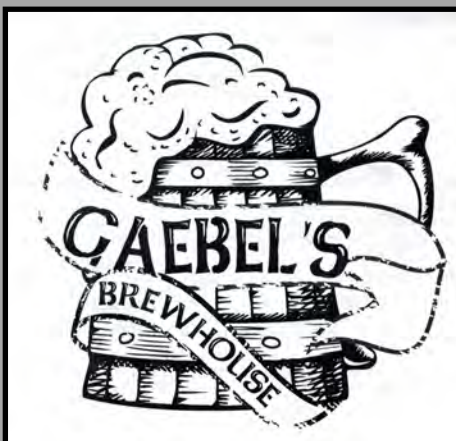
HILLBILLY UNIT

NEW REGINA UNIT

The WA WA Shrine Hillbilly Unit, having received approval to form from the Divan, will be holding their initial meeting on Thursday, May 22nd at 7:00 pm in the Oasis Room of the WA WA Shrine Temple. This meeting will be to adopt the bylaws of the unit, as well as to elect the initial executive.

The activities of this unit will be meat smoking, barbecuing and brewing beer. As well, it is hoped that at some point, we will have an official hillbilly vehicle that will be entered in parades.

If you are interested in being a member of this unit, and are interested in being a member of it's first ever executive, please come out to the meeting!



Roy Gaebel

Royce Gaebel

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Poking Around P.A.

The P.A. Shrine Club held it's monthly meeting on March 29th. This was an open meeting with Nobles, Ladies, friends, relatives and interested persons attending. Thirty - seven people were seated for breakfast. Thanks to all those involved in the preparation of the meal and those who did the cleaning up. We will be holding more of these in the future, the next one will be on May 27th.

The Shrine Club spearheaded the purchase of a large portable BBQ that will be used in place of our huge stone BBQ. Like many of us, the old stone BBQ is showing it's age. The new BBQ will be available for use by all jurisdictions.

The Annual Liver and Onions Supper is scheduled for May 25th. Tickets and posters are presently being printed. Tickets cost \$15 for adults and children 12 and over. Children 6-11 are \$8 and children 5 and under eat for free. This is a popular, well attended supper. There will again be two sittings, 4pm and 6pm. The new BBQ will be put to work!

We're glad to see our snowbirds migrating back from southern climates. Welcome home.



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Kruk



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SWIFT CURRENT SHRINE CLUB

WA WA PROVINCIAL

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Sunday after Golf - Luncheon & Prizes at the Shrine Club

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PARKLAND SHRINE CLUB

Parkland Shrine was invited to help raise funds for a proposed new hospital in Yorkton. Nobles President Tom Dick and Murray Williams helped in manning the phones and assisted in having approximately 60,000 pledged from the project.

Soon we will be getting our parade equipment ready, hopefully it will warm up a bit. Parades being considered or planned include: Yorkton Fair, Melville Fair, Yorkton & District Nursing Home and likely one in the Wyn El Wa area. We also would like to attend Ceremonial in Warman providing that we can have at least 6 riders for bikes.

Membership continues to be a problem but with a little luck we might have two Candidates this year.

The Club will be looking for schools willing to have the SBI program and there appears to be some interest. Circus is now on May 27th, but it is unknown, at this time, what our involvement will be.

At our last meeting we approved a \$300 donation to the Masonic Youth Camp. Noble Dave Polachek is Grand Junior Warden and needs funds to help make the camp a success. **Challenge to the Shrine Clubs** - some of these young people might be future Shrine members - **Make a donation.**

On a sadder note we lost two long time Nobles - John Miller and Tom Moore passed away this spring.

Submitted by Noble Murray Williams

REGINA DRUM CORP

Drumming up Events

Welcome back to all the snow birds-as I write this there is 6 inches of snow on the ground. Only in Saskatchewan in late April. I think many of us who came back April 1, wish we could have stayed another month.

The Corps semi-annual pasta night held in March was once again a success with a nearly sold out attendance. Thank you to all who attended and to our Nobles and Ladies who assisted in the cooking. Our next pasta night is scheduled for the fall- watch the fall Warblings for an exact date.

By the time the Warblings is distributed, we will have had our annual Lobster Fest scheduled for May 10th. This event sold out quickly and we are anticipating a fine evening. If you have never attended this event, and love Atlantic Lobster, then I urge you to inquire about 2015 tickets. Any Drum Corps member can assist you.

The parade season is gearing up to be a busy one.

While there are many requests for a parade band we are faced with difficult choices given the availability of our members, but rest assured the Corps will carry the Shrine colours to as many Saskatchewan communities as we can. Our annual out of province trip to Medicine Hat is scheduled for the launch of their exhibition.

Any Nobles considering joining our Unit, please come out to our Monday night practices at the Shrine Hall at 8:00pm to have a look at what we do and meet the Nobles in our Unit.

Finally, the Drum Corp congratulates our Lt. Ill. Sir Don McDougall on his 2013 CTV Regina Citizen of the Year award. Without him I don't think we would know our left foot from our right, or is it our right foot from our left? -M.Smith

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2013 Past President Reception



Noble James McGregor presentation



Noble President Mike Scharfe presentation to Ill. Sir Bill Forrest to WA WA Temple



Past President Al Stickney



Ill. Sir Dave Fairlie & Noble Craig Inkster



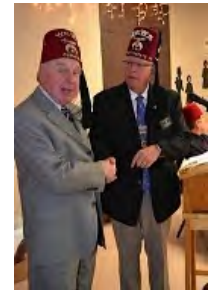
Past President Dennis Skuce



Past President Wayne Miner



Past President Dave Meyers



60 Year presentation to Noble Harrie Ballie

Amazing Campaign

In 2013, the Saskatoon Shrine Club identified the need to build more awareness of Shriners Hospitals for Children and how to contact local Shriners if they have or knew of a child in need. A marketing program was developed using an advertising campaign of informational cards delivered to Saskatoon homes, radio commercial, internet ads and electronic billboards. This advertising campaign was focused on driving inquiries to a newly creative website: www.shrinerscare.ca

Shrinerscare.ca was created with the assistance of Mr. Brian Waring webmaster at Axon Development Corporation (owned by Noble Ken Sparrow). The Saskatoon Shrine Club met with Mr. Waring and identified its need to create a friendly site allowing public access to more information about Shriners Hospitals and how to contact our club or make an application. Brian and his partner Danielle Hitchings received a "thank you" award presented by S.S.C. President Mike Scarfe and enjoyed a meal at a Friday night club supper.

-Noble James McGregor



S.S.C President Mike Scarfe presents thank you award to Brian Waring of Axon Developments and his partner Danielle Hitchings.



Pre-Authorized Member Ship Dues Payment Plan



WA WA Temple has implemented a Pre-Authorized Dues Payment Program for annual membership dues. This program is being recommended and adopted by more and more temples throughout North America, as a method to reduce administration costs and thereby keep our membership dues as low as possible.

If you already are having any bill payments being done by direct withdrawal from your bank account, then you are already familiar with this concept. For those of you who are not familiar with this process, the basics are that a noble will grant permission for the Temple to withdraw quarterly payments throughout the year and subsequent years, directly from a noble's bank account in order to pay for the following years annual WA WA membership or PCM dues as stipulated in the Temple bylaws. **Please note that there are no additional banking fees charged to enroll in the program.**

Nobles may enroll at any time during the year. Payments would commence in the first possible quarter (March, June, September or December).

For more information and questions about the program please contact Administration at the Temple office 306-569-2294

Shining Shriner

Not only is the work of all the Nobles and Ladies of the Shrine amazing, but so is all the work everyone does outside of the Shrine Clubs.

Many members of the Shrine family receive special accolades for work they do in their community and/or workplace, and although it may not directly benefit the Shrine, it does show the tireless efforts and caring hearts of the Shrine Nobles and Ladies.

If you, or anyone else you know, have received any special acknowledgements for works done in their communities and/or employment please inform the Warblings at warblings@wawashriners.org.
