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# BURNINGSANDS



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KEM Shriners, Grand Forks, ND

April/May 2017

## POTENTATE'S REPORT SCOTT MIDSTOKKE

What an action packed 2 months it has been, it all started off January 28th with a bean bag tournament and chili cook off at the Grand Forks Masonic Center, fun was had by all. Bill Steckler retained his status of having the best chili and Ryan Bohn and Steve Adams won the bean bag competition. A big thanks goes out to Ryan Bohn for organizing this event.

On February 3rd Lady Bernice and I, with Marshall Ted and Darlene Anderson traveled to Minot for the Pre-Circus Kickoff Party, great time was had by all. Saturday we held a Ceremonial in Minot and created three new Shriner's, what a way to cap off a great weekend in Minot.

On February 8th the Uniformed Units and Circus Kickoff was held in Grand Forks, thanks to the Mobil Nobles for providing the meal. The next day we loaded up on a bus and went to the Midwest Shrine Association winter meeting in Bloomington MN. At this meeting we had hospital and membership seminars, they also told us about the upcoming summer session in Bloomington which is August 17-19.

February 21st I attended Table Lodge at Goose River Lodge in Mayville, Lady Bernice and I went to Devils Lake on February 24th for the Devils Lake Flag Corp social and on March 3rd Lady Bernice and I attended Ladies at the Table in Northwood, hosted by North Star Lodge, thanks to all for the great hospitality shown to us.

March 3rd the Wild Game Feed was held at the Masonic Center in Grand Forks, I was unable to attend this due to the flu, but everyone has told me that it was a great success. The food was great and the lower level

was packed. This event keeps growing every year. Congratulations to all of the Nobles that make this happen!

March 9th the Uniformed Units was held in Minot. The Divan loaded onto a bus in Grand Forks at 1pm and headed for Minot, we held the board meeting on the bus. When we arrived there was a social and a meal before the Units meeting. this meeting was very well attended. Thanks for the great hospitality and meal Minot!!

March 11th there was a 1 day class organized by Acacia Lodge with the help of North Star and Malta Lodges, 10 new Master Masons were created, thanks to all that made this happen.

March 18th we had the St Paddy's Day Ceremonial, where we created seven new nobles, after the ceremonial the parade which is hosted by Malta Lodge was held in downtown Grand Forks, fun was had by all.

As you can see there is a lot going on in KEM Shrine territory, listed above is a partial list of things that we have attended, not including Cycle Corps pancake breakfast, Malta dumpling feed and other lodge events.

the Masons and Shriner's have been busy!!

The Circus is coming to town near you! Williston Circus is April 4-5, Grand Forks is April 28-30 and Minot is May 1-3, please come out and work and have fun!!

May 6th the 2nd Annual Kentucky Derby Party will be held at the 4th Floor Club at the Masonic Center in Grand Forks. This is a great event, put your derby attire on and come up and have some fun.

May 19-21 is the annual Hospital Bus trip to the Twin Cities Shrine Hospital, this is a great trip that all Shriner's and their Ladies need to attend, check the Sands for more details.

June 3rd is the Spring Ceremonial and Potentates Ball, a complete schedule is in this issue, make your plans now to attend and get your rooms booked.

Lady Bernice and I would like to thank everyone for the great hospitality we have received in our travels, it is a honor to serve as your Potentate in 2017!!!

Scott Midstokke

KEM Shrine Potentate



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SATURDAY MAY 13 TH 2017

- 8:00am Registration and Coffee
- 8:30am Entered Apprentice Degree
- 10:00am Fellowship Degree
- 12:00pm Lunch
- 1:00pm 1st section of Master Mason.

2nd section of Master Mason will be held at Low Vale Lodge, in the beautiful Turtle River Valley.

Dinner and Fellowship following.



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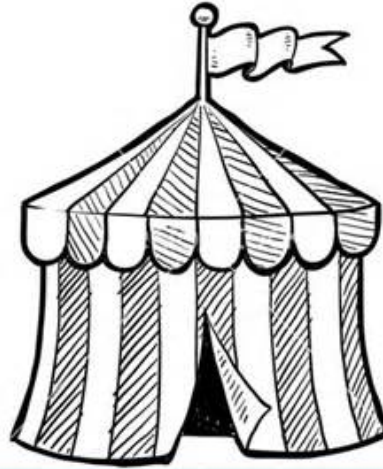
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**CIRCUS**



The Kem Shrine Circus will be **April 28, 29, and 30**. The Circus will be at the beautiful **Ralph Engelstad Arena**.

The novelties and cotton candy supplies are on the way. There are several new exciting novelties.

This year we have **Cindy Migley's Circus Spectacular** returning as our producer. There will be several exciting acts including **Tigers, and Elephants, A High Wire Act, the Wheel of Destiny and the Human Cannonball**.

Workers will sign in at their work site. If you don't have a place that you have been working in the past, we will have someone by the southwest entrance to direct you to a site where we need assistance.

It is very important that every Shriner support Kem Shrine and the Circus by making a commitment to come and work as much as possible at the Circus.

As usual we are asking the ladies to come and help at the Circus. Ladies will receive worker credits just as our members do. They can sign up to apply this credit to their Shriner's Unit, Star, or Rainbow.

Advance sale of Children's Tickets is underway. Reports so far are good. This effort is always very important. Be sure to visit all businesses on your route. All ticket sales need to be turned in to the office by April 14th .

If you are a new Shriner who has not yet joined a unit, come and work at the circus. It is a lot of fun and a great opportunity to enjoy the fun and camaraderie of the Shrine. Bring your Lady too.

Many Shriners have made a serious commitment over the years to work at the Circus. To them we say thank you very much. Please make plans now to **Come and Join us for the fun of the Circus**

Thank You,  
 Tom Hanson, Circus Chairman

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KEM will pay 2018 Shrine dues, for the 2 Shriners with the most first line signatures on petitions. Leading the way the first 2 months is

**Top Line Signers**

Bert Jackson	2
Jame Haan	2
Chris Larson	1
Mark Hannesson	1
Mike Post	1
Ron Penfold	1
Trevor Schaible	1

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## KEM BAND

Congrats to Scott Midsokke, our new Potentate, and the rest of the Divan for 2017. The Band has been on a hiatus for a couple of months, although we did get in a couple of gigs in December and January. We played at the annual Kem Christmas Party in early December, entertaining the kids and Nobles, and guests with Christmas songs. In January we met again at the Temple to play for the Kem Fish Fry, following the annual meeting. We are looking forward to the St. Patrick's Day parade in March, that's always a great time. Here's hoping the weather cooperates again this year. We never know what to expect, other than there will be plenty of green beer flowing. Naturally, the biggest show of the year is the Kem Shrine Circus, in April. We'll be well-rehearsed for that event, and can't wait to see everyone there.

## RITUAL DIVAN

By the time this is printed the Ritual Divan will have already performed the second section of the Master Mason Degree at the spring one day class in Grand Forks. As always "Some Brother will be happy to assist" and we will pull it off again.

The St. Patrick Day Ceremonial will also be complete, bringing in new Nobles and capped off with the Malta Lodge Masonic St. Patrick's Day Parade. The Ritual Divan in conjunction with I Heart Radio and downtown watering holes on the Leprechaun Loop will have completed their Twin Cities Hospital fundraiser. We also recruited the assistance of four "Off the Loop" businesses to sell Shamrocks and raise funds for the Twin Cities Hospital. Thank you, I Heart Radio, the Leprechaun Loop Establishments and our "Off the Loop", Shriner Owned helpers, the Bun, the El Roco, Rumors and the Ground Round.

We now move forward to April, selling Circus Tickets and working at the Circus and preparing for the June Ceremonial.

- Greg Bryson

## MOBILE NOBLES

Nobles!

We can't shake this thing called Winter. I hope everyone is in a safe and warm place. The Mobil Nobles have had a steadily busy winter here on the tundra. We've had our Mini ATV out at "The Man Show" and selling raffle tickets for it. The next stop is the "Bike Show" at the Alerus on the 22nd and 23rd of April. We will have a booth to set up and hopefully it will go well.

There is a group of us selling Circus tickets that seems to be going well. It's great to see our local businesses want to help us out and sponsor tickets. I think most of them know when the Circus comes to town it's a good sign that Spring is here and they can get out and enjoy the Circus.

Parade season starts out with the St. Paddy's Day Ceremonial and Parade on March 18th. You can look forward to the parade schedule coming out. We will also have it on our facebook page.

Yours Fraternally, Todd Herz.



## FOOTBALL REPORT

THE GAME IS "ON" and the date is Sunday July 16th, 2017 at the Alerus.

The coaches have been selected and they are busy finalizing the team rosters.

Last year there was a new revenue stream created, a silent auction of donated gifts. This was very successful and brought in nearly \$9000.00.

The silent auction will again be in place this year. No gift is too big or too small any donation will be accepted.

As you know selling adds for the program is why this game is such a successful fundraiser. We will be providing sales packets at the April Units meeting.

Nobles this is why we are Shriners, sometimes we seem to forget. We need your support selling adds as well as obtaining or providing items for the Silent Auction.

A challenge was presented on which Temple would have the most Nobles in attendance.

The challenge was a no Brainer so without any hesitation, mental reservation or secret evasion of mind I accepted the challenge as I know we will easily stomp El Zagal.

With the game on a Sunday afternoon in Grand Forks, a great tail gate area and KEM's fantastic Nobles we cannot lose. So please for our Potentates sake let's show EL Zagal how it is done.

This is the Fundraiser for "OUR" Hospital, this is why we became Shriners please come and show your support.

Questions or need some help give me a call.

Philip Landis

Assistant Rabban (218) 230-3936

## KEYSTONE KOPS NEWS FROM PRECINCT 5

After a hiatus from the winter, we held a formal update meeting on March 6. We discussed that the Circus needed attendance, potential parades, community events and membership. Membership wise, we are holding our own. We will review the upcoming Temple schedule as well as the normal ones we do outside of the temple list. Equipment discussion centered around the Ambulance and it's chronic condition. We will decide on the future of the ambulance at the April meeting. Congrats to Shane in being a potentate aide this year representing the Kops. Continued discussion on the Mini-memorial to honor the past Koppers. Community events will be held in June, September, and November, so we'll decide on participating or not closer to the dates. Discussed Kops social events including the Tomfoolery gathering. Next meeting scheduled in April and it will be a social event.

Roger Baier

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## BEAN BAG & CHILI COOKOFF



## ST PATTYS DAY NEW NOBLES



## MEMBERSHIP

Hey Nobles isn't it great to be a Shriner.

We've had a great start to 2017 as of March 1st we have thus far created 5 new Shriners and restored 3 for a plus 8, we are well ahead of last year. Many lodges have already been helping us out by doing degree work early this year. This year's Potentate Scott Midstokke, myself and all Shriners should thank the lodges degree teams for all of their hard work.

As you know in order for a Shriner to participate in any Shrine activities they need to be current with their dues in other words if you haven't paid your 2017 dues you are delinquent, thus you can't parade, work the circus, or attend any meetings. As of this printing we've been very good in this area but a few nobles need to pay their dues. At this time we have 58 Nobles who still owe their 2016 & 2017 dues and 187 Nobles who still owe 2017 dues. Please talk about this at your units meetings myself and the Divan would appreciate it. I'm sorry to report that we have had 6 Nobles who have answered the call of the Black Camel. Their names are listed elsewhere in the Burning Sands please keep these Nobles and their family's in your prayers.

Nobles we do have a membership committee but every Noble is also part of that committee

You may or may not come to our meetings but we are all in a way responsible to Kem Shrine to help our fraternity grow. According to the Imperial Shrine each shrine temple will lose approximately 5% of their membership each year.

January 1,2017	Kem's Membership total	1170
Kems average # of Deaths		-35
Kems average # of Demits		- 3
Kems approximate # of Suspentions (Non Payment of Dues)		- 20
	<b>Total</b>	<b>- 58</b>

Nobles we need to create at least 59 Nobles this year to have a positive gain in membership.

Lynn Misialek  
Membership Chairman

## PUBLIC RELATIONS

by Greg Bryson

Before starting to write this article I looked back, not quite a year. I found and read an article by a Noble who had just returned from Public Relations meetings in Tampa. There were ideas and plans of getting the word out, letting the public know who the Masons and Kem Shriners are, make contacts with local media outlets and Have Fun Helping Kids. For whatever reason, he fell short of those goals. That Noble was me.

Brother Noble's, it is time for round two. A Public Relations Guide from the Imperial Session landed in my lap, the same guide I had last year, only this time I have read the entire guide. Here are the words that stick in my mind. "Start small and build over time". There are ten building blocks to the guide, so let's start small with two of those blocks, Create a Team and Share the Good News.

We have a team, Ron Bergh, Fred Kitko, Steve Symons and myself. Currently we are working with the Circus Committee to promote the Grand Forks Circus and Ron has traveled to Minot to work with Nobles there and assist them with Circus Promotion. Going forward we will be dividing responsibilities between print, television, radio and social media to get the word out.

Share the Good News. If your Unit or Club has events coming up, let us know. We will work to assist you in getting the word out. Let the other Nobles know, let your home town know, let the public know, let the PR Committee know.

### Upcoming Events

April 4 & 5:	Williston Circus
April 28,29 & 30:	Grand Forks Circus
May 1,2 & 3:	Minot Circus
May 19, 20 & 21:	Twin Cities Hospital Trip
June 2:	Spring Ceremonial Golf Tournament
June 3:	Spring Ceremonial

## MINOT PRE CIRCUS PARTY





# ST PATTY'S DAY PARADE



ND GRAND MASTER ROGER STOUT WITH  
POTENTATE SCOTT MIDSTOKE



## HOSPITAL TRIP

*If you haven't been there, it is time to go,  
Something all Shriner's and their ladies should do  
Twin Cities Shrine Hospital Bus Trip*

**May 19-21**

- Bus leaves for the Twin Cities, Friday morning from Minot picking people up along the way.
- Friday night if interested, Minnesota Twins vs Kansas City Royals. If you want tickets they will be \$36/ ticket, I will need to know how many by April 19th after that date you are on your own for tickets if you want to attend the game.
- Saturday is Hospital Days at the Twin Cities Shrine Hospital
- This is a trip that all Shriner's and their Ladies should attend at least once; it is a chance to see one of "OUR" hospitals.
- Cost: \$60/ person to ride the bus 2 nights at the Roseville Radisson \$88/night \$5/ person lunch on the bus on the way down
- If you have been a Shriner for less than a year you and your Lady ride the bus free
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## KENTUCKY DERBY

You are cordially invited to KEM's 2nd annual Kentucky Derby party to be held on May 6, 2017 from 4:00PM – 7:00PM, in the Fourth Floor Club's Tree Top Lounge which is located at the Grand Forks Masonic Temple.

This event is open to Shriners, Ladies, and their guests. Derby attire is required for admission into the Clubhouse. Those not in Derby attire will be charged an entrance fee.

Derby favorites such as Mint Julips, Bourbon Smashes, and Champagne will be available. You may also bring appetizers to share, as well as beverages of your choice. We hope to see you there on May 6th!

## Spring Ceremonial Golf

**June 2, 2017**

**Grand Forks  
Country Club**

If interested contact  
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## CEREMONIAL SCHEDULE

**June 3, 2017**

- 8:00 am Coffee & Rolls
- 8:30-9:00 Candidate Registration
- 9:00-9:30 Candidate Orientation
- 9:00 Shrine Opens in Red Room for voting
- 9:45-10:30 Ceremonial
- 10:30 Parade Line up
- 11:00 Parade
- 11:30 Ladies Luncheon
- 12:00 Nobles Lunch
- 1:00 2nd Section of Ceremonial
- 3:00-5:00 Hospitality Room Open at Country Inn & Suites
- 6:00-7:00 Social at the Grand Forks Masonic Center
- 7:00-8:00 Dinner
- 8:00 Dance to "Boom Town"

Hospitality Room Open at Country Inn & Suites after the dance

A bus will be running from the hotel to the Masonic Center and back later that evening, first bus at 5:40pm second 6:10pm

*Certified babysitters will be provided for the evening*

## 2017 PARADE SCHEDULE

### MARCH

MARCH 18TH 3PM  
*St Patricks Day Ceremonial, Grand Forks*

### JUNE

JUNE 3rd 11AM  
*KEM Spring Ceremonial, Grand Forks*

JUNE 4TH 5PM ERSKINE, MN

JUNE 10TH 10AM FINLEY, ND

JUNE 17TH 2PM ANETA, ND

JUNE 24TH 10AM GRAFTON, ND

JUNE 24TH 10AM MAYVILLE, ND

JUNE 24TH 12PM ARGYLE, MN

### JULY

JULY 4TH 10AM HATTON, ND

JULY 4TH 11AM PARK RIVER, ND

JULY 4TH 4PM PEMBINA, ND

JULY 8TH 10AM HOPE, ND

JULY 9TH 2PM FERTILE, MN

JULY 13TH 7PM THIEF RIVER FALLS, MN

JULY 15TH 10AM MANVEL, ND

JULY 15TH 10AM LARIMORE, ND

JULY 15TH 11AM DRAYTON, ND

JULY 19TH 6PM WARREN, MN

JULY 22ND 11AM NORTHWOOD, ND

JULY 22ND 8AM MINOT, ND STATE FAIR

### AUGUST

AUG 5TH 10:30AM MOUNTAIN, ND

AUG 12TH 11AM KARLSTAD, MN

AUG 17TH 6:30PM EGF HERITAGE DAYS

AUG 18TH 5PM BLOOMINGTON, MN

AUG 19TH 7PM CROOKSTON, MN

AUG 19TH 1PM ULEN, MN

AUG 26TH 1PM GRYGLA, MN

### SEPTEMBER

SEPT 3RD 1PM STUMP LAKE, ND

SEPT 4TH 1PM STUMP LAKE, ND

SEPT 9TH 10AM POTATO BOWL PARADE

SEPT 23RD 2PM

Bemidji, MN, Homecoming Parade

### OCTOBER

OCT 7TH 10AM GF UND HOMECOMING

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### April

- 12 Trustee Meeting, Board of Directors and Uniformed Units Meeting, Grand Forks, host; Ez Riders
- 4-5 Circus Williston
- 27 Grand Forks Circus setup
- 28-30 Circus, Grand Forks

### May

- 1-3 Minot Shrine Circus
- 3-4 PR Seminar, Tampa
- 6 Kentucky Derby Party, Grand Forks, 4th Floor Club
- 11 Uniformed Units, Roseau MN  
Burning Sands deadline
- 13 One day Masonic class, Low Vale Lodge, Larimore

19-21 Hospital Days Bus Trip to Minneapolis

24 Burning Sands print date

### June

- 2 Ceremonial Golf
- 3 Spring Ceremonial
- 8 Uniformed Units, Grafton, host Cycleers
- 9 Pork Chop Feed, Minot
- 15-18. ND Grand Lodge, Medora



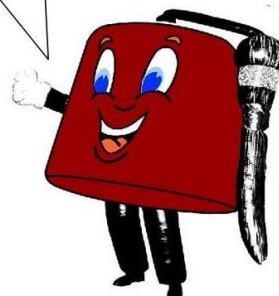
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Have you paid  
your 2017 dues?



## UNIFORMED UNITS MEETING SCHEDULE 2017

- April 12th (Wed) Grand Forks - EZ Riders & Cycle Corps (Quarterly)
  - May 11th Roseau – Snowmobiles
  - June 8th Grafton – Cycleers
  - July 20th Grand Forks – 4th Floor (Quarterly) \*
  - August 10th Mayville – Keystone Kops, Band
  - September 14th Devils Lake – Lake Region Flag Corps
  - October 12th Grand Forks – Roughriders (Quarterly)
  - November 9th Stephen MN – Stephen Funsters
  - December 2nd Grand Forks – Kids Christmas & Units Party
  - December 14th Grand Forks – Chanters, Directors Staff
- \*3rd Thursday

## HOUSING FOR JUNE CEREMONIAL

Kem has reserved a block of rooms for June 2nd & 3rd at the Country Inn & Suites in Grand Forks for the June Ceremonial. They have two types of rooms reserved for us. You will have your choice of a King Studio Suite or a King Suite. Both rooms are the same rate, \$119.00 per night. The cutoff date for this block of rooms will be May 2nd, after that the rooms are subject to availability and the rate could be more.

The Country Inn & Suites is located at 3101 S 42nd St, Grand Forks, ND 58201. The local phone number is 701-757- 2200. Please call this number to reserve your room. The hotel also has a complimentary breakfast, a large pool and two hot tubs. Kem will have a hospitality room on Friday and Saturday night. There will be a shuttle bus that will run between the hotel and the Masonic Center on Saturday. If you have questions you can contact Steve Renslow at 701-741- 3621.

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## KEM QUARTERLY MEETING

Thursday, April 12th, 6:30 p.m.

Masonic Center

Grand Forks, ND

You are notified that regular stated meeting of Kem Shriners will meet at the above time and place for hearing reports and conducting regular business. Admittance by your 2017 dues card. Please wear your Fez.

Attest

Yours in the Faith,

*Dale Duchscherer*      *Scott Midstokke*

Dale Duchscherer

Scott Midstokke

PP, Recorder

Potentate

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## CYCLE CORPS HAS RECORD TURNOUT

# Pancake Breakfast



The Cycle Corps' Annual Pancake Breakfast was held February 19th at the East Side VFW. The breakfast is the Corps' main fundraiser for the calendar year, and this year was the biggest yet in terms of money raised and people served.

Cycle Corps members shared the duties of cooking, serving food, bussing tables, washing dishes and clean up.

Thanks to our members for all the great help.



HAPPY BREAKFAST CUSTOMERS, CURT TANABE AND RON BERGH MANNING THE FOOD AND DRINK STATIONS AT THE PANCAKE BREAKFAST

## NEW SHRINERS FROM MINOT



## WILD GAME FEED



## HONORS FOR DIZZY



The honors keep accumulating for Noble Ken, "Dizzy the Clown", Gillespie. At the recent meeting of the International Shrine Clown Association in Richmond Virginia Ken was unanimously elected as third Vice President. What an accomplishment for Dizzy who has been so active with the Shrine and has brought smiles to so many children. He is so worthy of this honor. Ken became a Clown for Shriners International in 1974 and the rest is history. It would take a whole newspaper to write about his accomplishments and so many lives he has touched, but here are a few. He was president of the World Clown Association in 1988 and along with Red Skelton he is a Charter member of the association. He is a recipient of the prestigious Gold Nose award. In 2010 he was the first person ever to ace the clowns competition by taking 1st in all five Shrine Clown events. Ken was the Hospital coordinator for KEM Shriners for many years and previously was KEM's Shriner of the year. When kids come to the circus in Minot they want to see Dizzy.

Ken plans to hold the meeting for his year as President in Kansas City. The place where it all started for him. The Shriners of KEM Temple, the Minot Shrine club and the Minot Merry-men are very proud of Dizzy and his accomplishments. He is a credit to the Shrine and he always says, "I love to Clown".