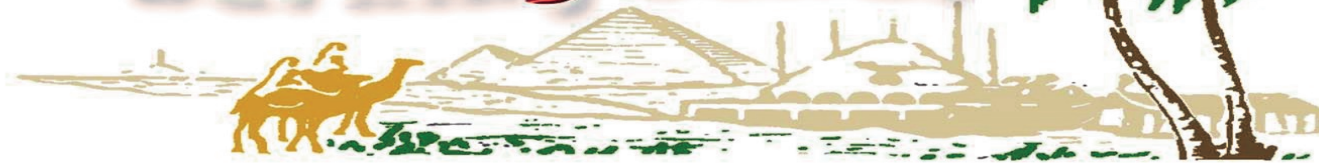


# KEM ACROSS THE Burning Sands



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## A WORD FROM OUR POTENTATE

Summer is finally here!! Hello, Nobles & Ladies, we are well into Parade Season. I have received & signed several Parade permission forms. I'm still missing forms from just a few Units, we do need these for insurance. Lady Deb and I are looking forward to seeing our parade Units out showing off, this is Shriner Season!!

On May 15-17 we attended Hospital Days at the Twin Cities Shriners Hospital for Children. Kem had 35 Nobles & Ladies in attendance. Everyone had a wonderful time. Thank you Scott for lining everything up. Great Job!! Our Hospital is something all of our Nobles should take time to visit. (Remember they are your Hospitals) The last 2 Fridays in May brought a new Hospital Fund Raiser "Filling the Fez". Where our Shriners pumped gas & washed windows for a donation to our Hospitals. People were very generous to our Nobles by donating over \$3,000.00. Thanks to Bill Steckler and all of our Nobles that helped. I should also thank the Dusterhoff Family Service Station for allowing us to hold this fundraiser. June started off with Kem's Spring Ceremonial. We had a large turn out of our Shrine Units, I do wish the crowd along the parade route was larger but we had a great time just the same. We brought in 7 new Shriners during the day. The Ladies luncheon was well attended at the Boardwalk. The Banquet and dance were very enjoyable also. A huge thank you to Larry Wilson and his crew for the wonderful food on Saturday! On Wednesday May 11th Kem's Units meeting was held in Grafton. I would like to thank the Cycleers for hosting the meeting and the supper.

The Grand Lodge of ND AFAM held their Annual Communication in Grand Forks June 12-14. I would like to congratulate Past Grand Master Wendal Van Wechel on very successful 125th year of ND Grand Lodge. I also spoke with the Grand Master of Minnesota James A Christensen, it was very nice to meet him and I look forward to working with him. On behalf of Kem Shriners and myself, I would like to congratulate



most Worshipful Grand Master David Bickel on his election to Office. We can take pride in our relationship with our Grand Lodge. Because there is no "We or Them", it's just "Us" and that's how all of the Masonic Bodies should be and interact with one another.

Well Nobles, it's finally here, the 140th Imperial Session. Held on July 6th-10th in Minneapolis, MN. It's very exciting to see the turn out of Kem's Noble & Ladies for this once in a lifetime event. Sunday July 6th kick's off with the Public opening at the Convention Center, July 8th the parade steps off at 7:30 pm, line-up starts at 6 pm, we are first in the Parade. Following the parade a Kem Party will be held on top of the parking ramp attached to the Double Tree Hotel, in honor of Dale & Cheryl Stauss Imperial Potentate Elect by that time!! Wednesday Morning bright and early at the convention Center we will participate in the installation of Dale as Imperial Potentate. That same afternoon there is the Public Relations Seminar, I hope all will attend these functions. A schedule is printed in the Sands. Can't wait to see you there, we are going to have some fun!

As the Imperial Session gets underway so does the Shrine football. On Tuesday July 8th the

players report to camp. Any Shriners who are available are asked to help with registration. Friday July 11th a Patient Screening Clinic will be held in Mayville along with a picnic in the evening, again we could use your help. Saturday morning July 12th is the Annual Shrine Football Golf Scramble. Make sure you have your team registered, if you're alone they can find a team to put you on. Golf Tournament Registration—John Murphy 701-212-3214 or Troy Johnson 218-779-8509. On Sunday July 13th the football Banquet starts at 10:30 am at the Fargo Holiday Inn with games following at 4 pm & 7 pm in the Fargo Dome. Lets see if we can out number the El Zagal Fezzes.

I know with everything going on this summer it's easy to forget about the Midwest Shrine Convention held in Sioux Falls, SD. For room registration call Paul Hanson 701-741-6769 or Steve Renslow 701-741-3621. The El Raid Shriners have been working very hard so we can have a great time. Lets help them out by showing up in big numbers and show off Kem Shriners.

I am very pleased to announce that Kem has a new parade Unit, the Kem Karavan. They are based in Minot. When we see these Nobles at parades please congratulate them. It takes a lot of work and encouragement to get a new Unit off the ground.

We are trying to up date our files. If any Nobles information has changed in your Unit (phone, email or address) please send these changes to Kem Shriners 701-772-7125 or email: kemshriners@gmail.com, thank you.

Finally Lady Deb and I look forward to all of the events coming up and seeing all of Kem's Nobility. It's busy and fun at the same time, if any of our Club's or Units have an event coming up please let me or the Kem Office know, I would love to try and get there.

It's summer Nobles! It's time to Shrine! Have a great time and lots of fun!

Lowell Domier  
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**FROM THE DESK OF  
THE RECORDER**

We have a very busy few weeks coming up. As you all should know, the Imperial Session and Shrine Football week will run at the same time. I hope you all will take part in some of this. It may be the only time we will ever have an Imperial Potentate from Kem Shrine.

You all were mailed a copy of the itinerary from shrine week but we will publish it again so you all have it. I want to take the time now to thank the Noble's that contributed to the football ticket program. I would also like to thank the few noble's that took the time to go out and find ads for our program book. All the proceeds go to our Shrine Hospital in Minneapolis and our Red Fez Funds. I just wish all Shriners would jump on and help out with this program. These hospitals belong to all of us!!!! So again thanks to the FEW of you that helped out.

Dale Duchscherer , PP  
Recorder

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<b>July</b>	<b>6-10</b>	<b>Imperial Session</b>
	<b>13</b>	<b>ND Shrine Bowl– Fargo</b>
	<b>17</b>	<b>Quarterly Meeting</b>
		<b>Units Meeting—GF</b>
<b>Aug</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>Units Meeting</b>
	<b>20-23</b>	<b>MSA—Sioux Falls SD</b>
<b>Sept</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>Units Meeting</b>
	<b>26</b>	<b>Hopscotch Party</b>
<b>Oct</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>Units Meeting</b>
	<b>25</b>	<b>Tables du Jour</b>
<b>Nov</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>Units Meeting</b>
<b>Dec</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Patient Xmas Party</b>
		<b>Kem Xmas Party</b>
		<b>Mini Ceremonial</b>
	<b>11</b>	<b>Units Meeting</b>

**KEM QUARTERLY MEETING**  
Thursday, July 17th, 6:30 p.m.

**Masonic Center**  
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You are notified that regular stated meeting of Kem Shriners will meet at the above time and place for the purpose of hearing reports and conducting regular business. Admittance by your 2014 dues card. Please wear your Fez.

Attest

**Dale Duchscherer**  
**PP, Recorder**

Yours in the Faith,

**Lowell Domier**  
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### Saturday July 5th

KEM Greeters - KEM Shriners & Ladies ( contact Lynn M or Scott M)  
 9am-2pm Walk for LOVE (register online [www.imperial2014.com](http://www.imperial2014.com) )

### Sunday July 6th

KEM Greeters - KEM Shriners & Ladies (contact Lynn M or Scott M)  
 Noon-6pm Marketplace opens  
 1pm Imperial Church Service  
 3pm Public Opening @ Minneapolis Convention Center  
 6pm KEM practice for Pageant @ Convention Center  
 ( for all Nobles & Ladies who are here )

### Monday July 7th

8:30am-5pm Imperial Session opens  
 9am-6pm Marketplace  
 2pm-7pm Twin Cities Shriners Hospital Tours  
 TBA KEM hospitality Room Double Tree Hotel & Hilton

### Tuesday July 8th

8:30am-5pm Imperial Session  
 9am-6pm Marketplace  
 11:45am (doors open @ 11:15) Ladies Luncheon (register online [www.imperial2014.com](http://www.imperial2014.com) )  
 7:30pm Imperial Parade (KEM is at front on parade) Line-up @ 6:00pm  
 8:45pm (or after parade) KEM PARTY!! on roof of Double Tree Hotel parking ramp 2nd floor  
 TBA KEM Hospitality Room Double Tree Hotel & Hilton

### Wednesday July 9th

7:30am (yes in the morning) KEM MEETS @ Convention Center  
 8:30 Musical Prelude (Kem Band)  
 8:30 Slide Show KEM  
 9am Pageant for the Incoming Imperial Potentate -DALE STAUSS!!- KEM Nobles & Ladies  
 Entrance and Introductions  
 WEAR YOUR KEM FEZ!  
 Bring "FARGO" outerwear for entrance  
 1pm-2:30 Imperial Session  
 3pm Public Relations Report & Patient Success Stories limited seating be there by 2:30  
 7pm Imperial Representatives Evening - Open to ALL (tickets on line [www.imperial2014.com](http://www.imperial2014.com) )

Louie Anderson show - Comedy  
 TBA Hospitality Room Double Tree Hotel & Hilton

### Thursday July 10th

8:30am-Noon Imperial session (Dale Installation about 9:00am)  
 Noon Imperial Session Closes  
 DRIVE HOME SAFELY!!!!

## Tables de Jour

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The 2014 Midwest Shrine Association (MSA) will be in Sioux Falls, SD from August 21<sup>st</sup> through the 23<sup>rd</sup>. Registration for the event can be done on line. You can go to [http://www.elriad.org/MSA\\_Registration.html](http://www.elriad.org/MSA_Registration.html) to register or to get more information. The registration fee is \$65 for Nobles and \$65 for Ladies. Registration fees need to be paid by July 21<sup>st</sup> to the MSA.

There will be 2 parades at the MSA. The first one is on Thursday in Tea, SD. Line-up is at 4:00 pm, the parade step-off is at 6:00 pm. The second parade is on Saturday in Brandon, SD. Line-up is at 9:00 am and the step-off is at 10:00 am.

KEM Shrine has a block of rooms reserved at the Holiday Inn – City Centre in downtown Sioux Falls. This hotel was recently remodeled and updated. The room rates will be reasonable at \$119 or \$139 per night. With the lower priced rooms you will have your choice of 2 queen beds or 1 king bed in the room. The \$139 rooms are on the concierge level and only have 1 king size bed per room. The concierge level rooms also include a continental breakfast and appetizers at night. The hotel restaurant is available to all guests and has a full breakfast buffet for \$8.95.

We will also have a hospitality room for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights. Thursday night, after the first parade, the party room will be at the Starlite Ballroom on the 10<sup>th</sup> floor of the hotel with a beautiful view of downtown Sioux Falls.

Each unit should have a list of Nobles and Ladies that will be attending. Please submit your list of room reservations by **July 1<sup>st</sup>**. You can contact Paul Hanson or Steve Renslow for information or to reserve your rooms.

Paul Hanson: 701-741-6769 or  
phason\_58257@yahoo.com

Steve Renslow: 701-741-3621 or  
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## THE CHANTER CHANNEL

By Dave Beach

Sometimes you hear people talk about whether the glass is "half full or half empty". I thought about applying this question to our Chanter Unit; is the Chanter glass half full or half empty? Well, it's really neither one. Considering our schedule of activities throughout the year I think it would be more in the direction of three-fourths full. Out musical efforts can be heard at Ceremonials, in the parades, in some impromptu situations, in churches and at our practices.

So, what would be the missing one-fourth that would make our glass full? Very simply, **MORE MEMBERS**. I checked with our Director and we have openings at every position. We have openings in the tenor, baritone and bass sections. If you are not sure what part you can sing, our Director can help you find your place. However, we do not hold auditions and joining the Chanters is not an intimidating process. (A little secret: there is at least one Chanter who cannot read music!) Just show up at a practice (summer schedule: 5:30 pm, 2nd & 4th Wednesdays in the Shrine Conference Room). About five or six more members would really round out our Unit nicely. We might then be close to that full glass!

In recent weeks the Chanters have participated in two Ceremonials and the Circus. Practically every Chanter that was here and healthy was involved in the Circus in some way.

Looking down the road, we are committed to three parades during the balance of June. Then we look forward to the Imperial Session in July, where we will do whatever is expected of us. More parades during July, August and September, probably some church services, then August 21-23 will find us at the Midwest Shrine event at Sioux Falls, where we will compete for our fourth consecutive Gold Trophy. I think that full glass is in sight!



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**MEMBERSHIP—TIME TO BE EXCITED**

By Wayne Bauste, PP

These are great times for all of Kem Shrine and Shriners International. Noble involvement in the summer activities will be memorable and exciting. Units will be busy with our parade season, Imperial session in Minneapolis, football game July 13 and the Midwest in Sioux Falls, SD. These are the times we spread the Shrine message and share our fun with the world.

***“Ninety-nine percent of what’s wrong with people is not excitement.”***

Many Blue Lodges may have gone dark during the summer months. We must keep the Masonic message alive in your recruitment, retention and restoration. Always ask good men “Why are you not a Shriner”. In our many social settings, we talk about our Lodges and our Fraternity. We ask all Nobles to visit two websites [www.shrinersvillage.com](http://www.shrinersvillage.com) and [www.beashriner.com](http://www.beashriner.com).

***“Don’t ever say it’ll never happen or it’ll never happen.” M.J. Blige***

Our involvement in the upcoming activities is exciting and rewarding. We all need to set a goal to attend, once again, a Blue Lodge meeting. We need to attend our monthly Units Meet-

ing as well. And, parade participation is a must for fun and brotherhood. Remember Nobles, fun is a good time and it is exciting too!

***“I’m not telling you it’s going to be easy. I’m just telling you it’s going to be worth it.”***

Parade permits are required for each Unit and Nobles must have paid-up dues cards to be involved. If you have neglected your duty to pay your dues, now is the perfect time to pay them.

***“Focus on all the exciting things in life.”***

The Membership and the Nobility need to thank P.P. Tom Hanson for updating our Membership List. P.P. Hanson has countless hours invested in compiling these lists. We now have an updated working document. We still need help with incorrect addresses and emails. This list is in the Shrine office and available at all Unit Meetings. All Nobles, your help is needed in correcting these inaccuracies.

***“The difference between ordinary and extraordinary is that little . . . . . EXTRA.***

Remember that we need new Shriners. Be on the lookout for good men who will enjoy our fellowship and purposes. Find a good man and make him a Mason and Shriner

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9 & 11 Man  
East/West Team Intinerary**

Tuesday, July 8th

12-1 Registration/check in  
1:30 Player meeting  
(Auditorium)  
3 Practice  
5:30-6:30 Dinner (Cafeteria)  
7 Practice  
9 Food Delivered

Wednesday, July 9th

7:15-7:45 Breakfast (Cafeteria)  
8:45 Practice  
11:30-12:30 Lunch (Cafeteria)  
2 Practice  
5-6 Dinner (Cafeteria)  
6:30 Practice  
9 Swim or Movie

Thursday, July 10th

7:15-7:45 Breakfast  
8:45 Practice  
11:30-12:30 Lunch  
2 Practice  
5-6 Dinner  
6:30 Practice  
9 Swim or Movie

Friday, July 11th

7:15-7:45 Breakfast  
8 Player/Team Photo  
9-12 Screening Clinic  
10-12 Mini Camp/Press Day  
12-1 Lunch  
1:30-2:30 Hospital Presentation  
for players  
3 Practice  
5:30-7:30 Dinner @ Park

Saturday, July 12th

7:15-7:45 Breakfast  
8:45 Practice  
11:30-12:30 Lunch  
3 Practice  
5:30 Dinner  
TBA Saturday Night  
Entertainment  
Provided by Mayville  
State

Sunday, July 13th

7-7:45 Continental Breakfast  
7-8:30 Player Checkout  
10:30 Banquet  
Holiday Inn, Fargo  
11 Man Game  
9 Man Game  
4  
7



***Patient Screening Clinic***

***Friday July 11 9:00 am—12:00 pm***

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-Social 5:00, Dinner 6:00, Entertainment 7:30

**Thursday August 21st**

Marketplace 9:30am - 5:00pm Ramkota Hotel  
Past Potentates Reception 12:30-2:30 pm Crawfords Restaurant  
Evening Parade at Tea, SD Parade line-up 4:00 Step off 6 pm  
Oasis following parade  
Kem Pote's Party Holiday Inn

**Friday August 22nd**

Marketplace 9:00am - 6:00pm Ramkota Hotel  
Unit Competitions at Fair grounds except Chanters  
Ladies Luncheon 1:00 - 3:00pm Ramkota Hotel - Poolside

**Saturday August 23rd**

Morning Parade at Brandon, SD  
Parade Line-up 9:00am  
Step-off 10:00am  
Oasis following Parade  
Drive Home Safely!!!!

**Housing Information -- deadline July 10th**

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**MSA Registration -- deadline July 21st**

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