

KEM ACROSS THE Burning Sands



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MESSAGE FROM YOUR POTENTATE

It has been a long time since my last article so we have a lot to cover. The first item was June 30th through July the 4th. Your officers went to Indianapolis for the Imperial session where we held our business session plus the election of Imperial Potentate John A. Cinotto, Deputy Imperial Potentate Dale W. Stauss, and Imperial Treasurer James L. McConnell. It was a lot of work and a lot of fun. Next year the Imperial is in Minneapolis during the month of July so start making your plans to go. This will be as close as Imperial will ever get.

We no sooner got back from Imperial and we got to host the North Dakota Shrine Football game at the Alerus Center. As usual, Past Potentate Dale Duchscherer and his crew did an outstanding job in organizing the event. One of the things done differently this year is that some of the Twin Cities Hospital staff came to Mayville State College and did a screening clinic and interacted with all the players right at the college. This seemed to go over great with the players and the staff. I am not sure of the numbers but I know we did get more children as patients for the Shrine Hospitals. We then hosted the players to a supper that evening before we did our Units meeting. Saturday the game was played at the Alerus Center in front of a good crowd. As usual the crew running the Oasis did an outstanding job of taking care of everybody. Good food and good fellowship was had by all.

Then, August gets here and off we go again, this time to Duluth for our MSA (Midwest Shrine Association). We had a good group of Shriners go to Duluth. We participated in two parades while we were there on a Thursday night and a Saturday morning. Congratulations to our own Kem Chanters as they won a gold in the chanter competition. I was able to get over to listen to them



and I came away very impressed with them and the level of competition. I want to thank Chuck and Jonelle Soderstrom and Darren and Janie Briss for lining up the Kem party in Duluth. It was indeed great. The Kem Drum and Bugle and the Kem Band played at our party. The highlight was when Imperial Sirs Cinotto, Stauss and McConnell and their ladies joined us. I particularly enjoyed when the Kem Band sang the "Firemen's Song" to First Lady Margaret Cinotto. It was highly entertaining. You need to hear it sometime.

A couple of items I would like to touch on are some projects we had just recently started. One is already completed and that was the Shrine Potato Bowl parade. This was our first year and I think it went over great with lots of Shriners participating and I notice we had a couple of nice write-ups in the local paper. Thank you Bill Steckler for putting this together for us. The other project we are doing involves the home football games for UND. We call it our tailgating

project. We would like to have more Shriners out there with their Fez's and to tell the young people our story.

On Sept. 13th and 14th, CR Lowell Domier and myself went to Bemidji to participate with the Headwaters Shrine Club for the Bemidji State University Shrine Bowl. In addition to the game they hosted a screening clinic and I understand there are now 13 new patients for the Shrine Hospital.. Great work guys! It was a great honor to present an autographed football signed by all the players to Princess Kim during the halftime ceremony in the center of the field. Princess Kim started as a Shrine patient when she was 5 years old and has continued to go for the past 10 years.

Steve and Lib Simons have been working on our new website at <http://www.kemshriners.com/>. Note this is .com not .org. Please visit our website and we will be adding more things all the time. We are particularly looking for more items to put on the calendar.

Last is MEMBERSHIP. People we need your help! Do whatever you can to get a new member. We have had 14 straight years of positive growth and we do not want to stop now. Especially with our own Imperial Sir Dale Stauss as membership chairman and he will be our Imperial Potentate next year. Let's get to work. We have scheduled a one day class for Masons on the 16th of November in Grand Forks and a ceremonial for Oct. 19th in Williston and Dec. 7th in Grand Forks. If you are not comfortable in talking to somebody about being a Shriner, call one of the Divan. We will all help. If they can't make one of the scheduled dates, let us know and we will make something work. If need be, I will run out to Williston and Minot again

Jim Kienast, 13 Potentate

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From The Desk of the Recorder

First: I would like to thank all that helped out with the ND Shrine Game. It was a pleasure to have Hunter Woodhall and His dad, Steve join us for the game. Hunter is a double amputee from Utah and is currently a shrine patient. What a great kid and great spokes person for Shriner's Hospitals.

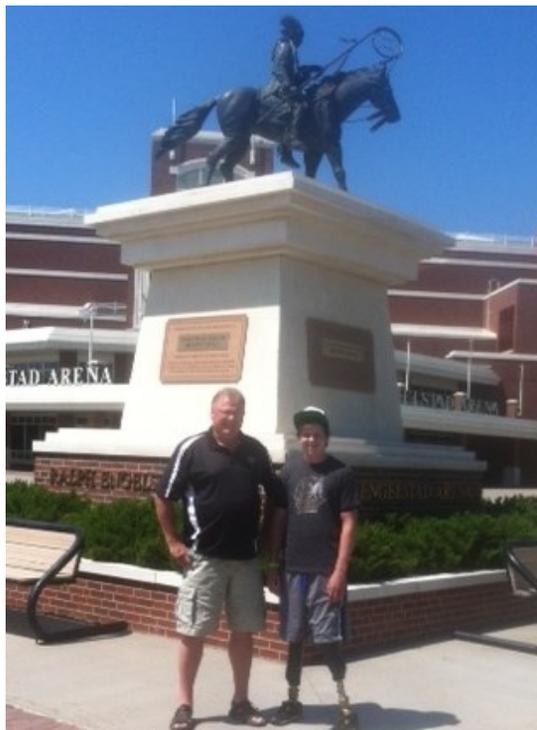
We also had Imperial Sirs Dale Stauss, Grand Forks, Chris Smith, South Carolina, and James McConnell, Grand Forks with us. I would also like to thank all the coaches, players, and committee members, our new Executive Director Bill Lorenz from Grand Forks Central and of course our out-going executive director Mike Berg. Thank you all

Second: Midwest summer session is in the books. It was great to have Imperial Potentate John Cinotto join us at our Kem Party. It was nice to see our Kem Nobles get a chance to Meet Imperial Sir John.

Last: It always get back to MEMBERSHIP. We need help. If you know someone that has an interest in Masonry and Shrinedom please encourage them to join. We have one day classes and Ceremonials, coming up soon.

IF YOU HAVE NOT PAYED YOUR DUES PLEASE SEND THEM IN!!!!!!
Thank You

Dale Duchscherer PP, Recorder



KEM CHANTERS & THE US MARINES?

By Dave Beach

What do the Kem Chanters have in common with the US Marine Corps? It's very simple, both are looking for a few good men! Our Director recently said that we would perform better with about four more bodies to fill out our ranks. If you enjoy singing, consider the Chanters. Experience is appreciated, but not required. There are no auditions. The main requirement is being able to attend practices every other Monday.

What kind of a summer have we had GREAT! Much of the summer was spent preparing for the Midwest session at Duluth. In the Midwest Chanter competition, we received a Gold Medal for the third time in three years. This is quite an accomplishment, as the competition is stiff. Otherwise, we have played our usual role in the ceremonials and our newly refurbished trailer has been seen in several area parades. Our parades have included Grafton, Larimore, Devils Lake, Aneta, Grand Forks/East Grand Forks and Duluth. At the time of this writing we still have one or two parades left to go. There is something very satisfying about singing in a parade, seeing the onlookers applaud and sometimes join in singing but especially seeing the little kids wave and gaze with awe as the red fezzes go by.

Please think about becoming a Kem Chanter. We have a very capable Director and you will learn more about singing than you might have thought possible. In addition to the singing, we do a few social things which often include our ladies. The result is a little work, a little fun and lots of satisfaction. The Kem Chanters are everything a Shrine Unit should be?

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MEMBERSHIP GAME ENTERS 4TH QUARTER

Membership Committee

Nobles, our membership game will soon enter the fourth quarter. At this time of the game we are losing. We need new players and want other Nobles back in our game. Recruitment and restoration are key components to our game plan. As our parade season comes to an end, we all need to be Shrine/Masons again. Lodges will soon become active with the full season, and now is the time to review our list of potential new members and encourage other Nobles to renew their membership.

Kem Shrine has enjoyed fourteen winning seasons of growth. Few Shrine centers will ever achieve this accomplishment and this goal. We will need to work on making fifteen years a reality starting today.

We all realize that fifteen perfect seasons is great, but we also need to appreciate what the fraternity brings to each Noble. The camaraderie and brotherhood is second to none. At times membership is hard to sell, but the rewards are immeasurable. We can all say that as a Shrine/Mason, we have been blessed to meet some of the best in our ranks.

Future events and activities are listed in this edition of "The Sands." A one-day class is scheduled on November 16. That, my fellow Nobles, is a date we all need to be involved in now. It is the fourth quarter and we need to put together a winning membership effort.

Upcoming Ceremonials are October 19th in Williston and December 7th in Grand Forks.

We will also do Mini-Ceremonials wherever needed, Contact the membership committee to schedule one.

We ask fellow Shrine/Masons to share other dates or events that would encourage membership growth.

Membership status summary:

Created	21	
Restored	<u>4</u>	
Sum	25	
Deceased	<u>27</u>	
Current status	-2	
Suspension list		<u>-84</u>
Potential end #	-86	

We need to focus on Creations, Restorations, and Retention.

Sixteen were taken off the unpaid list in the latest phone follow up.

"One way to keep momentum going is to have constantly greater goals". M. Konda
 Life is a song sing it
 Life is a game play it.
 Life is a challenge meet it.
 Life is a dream realize it.
 Life is a sacrifice offer it.
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The rest of the schedule follows:

Sept. 28

Montana State Provost Host 2:30 PM Game

Oct. 12

Eastern Washington Crookston Shrine Club Host 2:30 PM Game

Oct. 19

Sacramento State 4th Floor Club 2:30 PM Game

Nov. 9

Northern Colorado Mobile Nobles

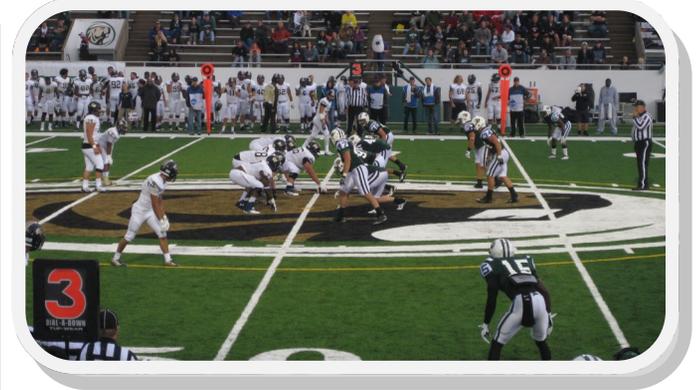
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By Bill Steckler

On Sept 27th, the 4th Floor Club is sponsoring "Hopscotch Party" beginning at 7 PM. You may be thinking hopscotch, but we are thinking "hops" and "scotch". This means you should bring a 6 pack of beer (either your favorite or a unique type) that you are willing to share with the group, or bring a pint or bottle of- again your favorite scotch, bourbon or whiskey that you are willing to share.

Also bring \$5 to help with our food cost, so we request an rsvp to help us plan for the amount of food which will include a good variety of beverage friendly fare. We will have sampler cups and ice tubs galore, so please join us for a great time on the top floor of the Shrine Center. You need not be a member of the 4th floor, all Masons, Shriners and guests are welcome! RSVP to Bill Steckler at 218-791-6162 or billrealtoro-ne@hotmail.com.

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	19	Pote's Reception—Williston
	26	Tables de Jour
Nov	14	Uniformed Units
	16	Masonic One-Day Class
Dec	7	Patient Christmas Party Units Christmas Party Ceremonial
	12	Uniformed Units

Kem Potato Bowl Parade

By Bill Steckler

Put a bow on it, this parade is done; as a matter of fact put a blue ribbon on it because it was a job well done! The Chanters song "I'm proud to be a Shriner" is certainly the right title to be sung about the performance of Kem during the parade and the operation of putting it on.

Thousands of people lined the streets of Grand Forks and East Grand Forks to witness Kem's Potato Bowl parade and they were not disappointed. Imbedded in this parade of area High School Bands, commercial and non-profit floats in celebration of Potato Bowl week. The Flag Corp and Color Guard led off Kem's contingent followed by the sharp stepping Drum & Bugle, the blue cycles of the EZ Riderz, the grand singing Chanters, the more than mobile Mobil Nobles, the law enforcing Provost, a Model T brigade of 49ers, the ever smiling and singing Kem Band, the giant fez bearing Cycleers, the distinctive Directors staff on their ATV's, the roaring Ritual Divan, with the Clowns riding their red fire engine and Freddie the Fez waving from the rear.

A committee made up of Travis MacDonald, Ryan Scott, Ryan Bohn, Steve Renslow and Bob Prondzinski along with help from others helped pull off this undertaking in a very short period- this group and all of Kem Shrine makes us all Proud to be a Shriner.

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LAKE REGION PICNIC

By Janie Briss

The Lake Region Flag Corps annual picnic was hosted by Newton & Karen Lundseth at their home in Devils Lake on August 25th.

Attendance was great as many Nobles and Ladies braved the ND heat and humidity and enjoyed the abundant spread of delicious food and drink.

Harris Saele and Newton Lundseth did an excellent job on the grills while we kept them hydrated with cold beverages.

Our very own Potentate, Jim Kienast enjoyed the doll house in the back yard—perhaps Newton will build one for Jim and his granddaughter.

A Big thank you to Newton and Karen for their hospitality and the fun picnic!



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