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POTENTATE'S REPORT

LYNN MISIALEK

Hello Nobles!
Well I blinked and summer is almost over. It has been a very busy time!

At the end of May, I attended a dedication at Fort Buford of a cavalry horse statute (representative of the horses the Buffalo soldiers used at this fort) along with several members of the North Dakota Grand Lodge as well several Grand Masters from surrounding States and Providence of Canada. Also, the Grand Master of Prince Hall Lodge from Missouri and several Prince Hall Lodge Members.

We started with the Spring Ceremonial the first weekend of June. The next weekend brought the ND Grand Lodge Communication to Grand Forks. Grand Master Tony Telken ended his year with a bang. Several functions were held in the Town Square and open to the public. What a great way to toot our own horn! Thanks for an awesome year, Tony!

Parade season got into full gear after that with parades every weekend somewhere in North Dakota and Northwestern Minnesota. Some days there were three or more parades that you could attend.

In the middle of all of that your elected representatives attended the Imperial Convention in Tampa Florida. One of the high points of the convention included our own Imperial Sir James McConnell was reelected to another term as the Imperial Treasurer. Congratulations Jim! Also the voting representatives approved our request to have concurrent jurisdiction with Aad Temple in Beltrami County in Minnesota.

Sunday July 10th was the day of the North Dakota Shrine football games. This is the largest fund raiser we have for the Shrine Hospitals. A special thanks to Noble Dale Duchscherer, PP and his football committee for all their hard work. If you couldn't make this years game, you need to mark your calendar for next July. The mid morning banquet with the players, coaches, parents, and Shrine hospital patient or two is something you will not forget.

The Midwest Shrine Association held its annual Summer Session in Marquette, Michigan. The first ever and Kem

was well represented. We had one of the largest groups of nobles. If you missed it you missed out on a lot of fun.

At the end of August there were Unit and Lodge picnics. Always fun to attend these.

There is a lot coming up in the next couple of months. On Friday night, September 16th, the night before UND's Potato Bowl game, we will be having a ceremonial at The Grand Forks Masonic Center. Read further in The Burning Sands for a schedule of times. Nobles, membership is important to Kem Shrine.

If you know a Mason who is not a Shriner, please ask him to join this evening. It is going to be a great event and you will not want to miss this one! The next morning will be one of the largest parade's on this side of the state with the Kem Shrine Potato Bowl Parade. Please bring all your units and Nobles. After the Potato Bowl Parade, Kem has a few spots reserved at the Alerus parking lot for tailgating. Please stop by, even if you're not attending the football game. Always a great time!

What a day for Shriners! The same day at 3:00pm there will be a Shrine parade in Bemidji, MN followed by a Shrine Bowl game at Bemidji State. Please read further in the Burning Sands for a schedule of events. Thanks to Noble Joe Dunn for organizing this event. I believe this is his 19th year. Thanks Joe!

On Friday September 30th The Fourth Floor club will be holding their annual Hop Scotch Party. You are encouraged to bring your favorite beverage, beer, or scotch to share. This is always a fun night! Plan on attending and bring your friends.

Then on Saturday October 8th there will be a Potentate's Ball in Minot. This is a Black tie event. I hope you can be there.

On Saturday the 15th there will be a Shrine Ceremonial in Williston with a pheasant hunt following. If you know a Mason ask him to join our fraternity.

October 29th is Tables Du Jour. A great event put on for the Ladies. This is a Hospital fundraiser where the Kem Nobles cook and are dressed in their tux's to serve the ladies. Lots of fun is had by all!

Finally, Kem has had 17 years of positive growth. We are working on making it 18, but we need everyone's help! If you have a friend who would make a good Shriner, please ask him to join us. Remember every Shriner needs to be a Mason first. So get those petitions into your lodge so that they have time to do degree work. After those ceremonials that are mentioned above, the next Ceremonial will be the first Saturday in December. We can do this, but we need your help!

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Lynn Misialek

Potentate 2016



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DIRECTORS STAFF

It been a great year for the Kem Directors Staff. We gained four new members this year, giving us a total of 18 members. Everyone has been able to attend some of the parades and our meeting attendance has been good.

All attending the MSA in Marquette, MI had a grand time. We had 8 members attend and were able to have the six ATVs in both parades. Remarkably, we had only one minor breakdown of the vehicles. Everyone was impressed with the organization of the event and the hospitality and friendliness of the people of Marquette.

We intend to finish out the parade season with good attendance and look forward to the rest of the year.

**UNIFORMED UNITS
COUNCIL MEETINGS**

The September Units meeting will be in Devils Lake at the Masonic Lodge on September 8th. It will be hosted by the Devils Lake Flag Corps. The October meeting will be a quarterly meeting in Grand Forks at the Masonic Lodge on October 13th. Please put these dates on your calendars.

CHANTERS ARTICLE

by G. Paul Larson

The Kem Chanters have been busy this summer, just returning from the Midwest Summer Session in Marquette Michigan. They were joined by the Aberdeen YULDEZ Chanters for the Thursday night parade as they did not bring their parade trailer, which made for a great sound. Even though the Chanters have been busy with parades, this summer's high point was a joint concert the end of June in Sioux Falls with MSA Chanter units from Sioux Falls, Sioux City, Aberdeen, plus the Omaha Shrine Chanters. The El Riad Chanters hosted the event and did a great job. This concert was organized since several Units did not plan to attend the summer session resulting in cancelation of the Chanter competition in Marquette. It was such a success, a joint concert is being planned again for next year while still having the MSA Chanter competition in Minneapolis.

Kem Chanter Ken Huhta and wife Diane once again did a great job hosting an oasis following the parade in Northwood. This has become an annual event so a great big Thank You goes to them. The Kem Chanters are scheduled to parade in Crookston's Ox Cart Days this month and the Potato Bowl parade September 17, then make a quick trip to Bemidji the same day to participate in the Shrine Football parade and sing the national anthem before the game.

Practice resumes this fall, returning to the second and fourth Monday schedule at 6:30PM in the Masonic Center. Kenny H. recruited two new members this summer, and we are looking for more. If you know a fellow , Shriner or not, that sings now or sang in his high school or college choir, encourage him to check out the Chanters. We put out a good sound and we have fun. The three P's represent what the Chanters do, they Practice, they Parade, and they Party (believe it or not) in that order. If YOU sing, join us on Mondays.



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FOURTH FLOOR CLUB

It's been quite a summer full of events that have kept the members of FFC extremely busy traveling with the parade schedule, the Shrine Football game, and even a trip to the State of Michigan. Summer is on the down swing, which is sad for some, but it also leads into many big events coming up.

Thank you to the city of Marquette, MI for hosting the 2016 MSA Summer Ceremonial. Kem members and their ladies had a great representation at this year's events. Everything planned went flawlessly and we all enjoyed being a part of this year's ceremonial. The 4 days spent there were sure memorable and we didn't leave disappointed!

UND's annual Potato Bowl Parade will take place the morning of Sept. 17th. Tailgating at the Alerus Center will follow, in the afternoon, prior to the game against rival South Dakota. Come on out and enjoy some delicious food with the members of FFC. Go UND!!

This year's annual Wild Hog Marathon will be held Sept. 24th. FFC is looking at running an aide station along the course. If anyone is interested in helping hand out water and Powerade to the runners, we are looking for 10 FFC members (Ladies included) to help make this possible. You would be needed from 8:00-10:30 a.m. Good luck runners!

The FFC now has a new permanent contact email. If you have any questions, inquiries, or reminders you'd like to send out, you may contact us at: KEMFFC@gmail.com. If anyone is interested in joining FFC, don't hesitate to contact us!

Have a great rest of your summer and see you all at events this fall!

Scott Lloyd

Kem Shrine & Fourth Floor Club

Wild Hog Marathon Aid Station

On September 24th, Kem Shrine and the Fourth Floor Club will be hosting an Aid Station for the Wild Hog Marathon. If you're wondering what a marathon aid station is, just imagine a parade where we stay in one spot and all the spectators run by really fast. Instead of candy, we hand out water and Power Aid, and we're the ones that have to be careful not to get run over. For this unusual parade, we'll need ten volunteers, working from 8:00AM to 10:30AM, handing out the water and Power Aid to the runners, so they stay hydrated as they make their way along the race course. Volunteers are encouraged to make some noise and cheer the runners on. This is another great opportunity for us interact with the community and be seen supporting a local event.

The station is located in southeast corner of Lincoln Park, at roughly the halfway point for both the Half and the Full marathon. We should see approximately 700 runners between the two races. This site was chosen because there is plenty of parking space both the volunteers' personal cars and possibly some Mobil Noble vehicles. We'll have the FFC People Mover there, with a generator and stereo system. There will be portable bathrooms at the site.

This is the fifth year for the Grand Forks Wild Hog Race and the first year for the full marathon. Until now, the longest race they offered was a half marathon. The Grand Forks Wild Hog Marathon is a non-profit corporation whose mission is to support active healthy lifestyles to enhance the quality of life in the Grand Cities. They've done this through donations in support of Grand Forks youth activities. In 2014 & 2015 their donations totaled \$15,000 to the YMCA, \$15,000 to GF Foundation for Education, and \$10,000 to GF Park & Recreation Foundation, all these supported youth activities. This event involves over 2,000 participants and more than 5,000 spectators, with over 50% coming from outside the Grand Forks area. For more information, or to volunteer please contact Fred Kitko 218-779-2965 fred.kitko@gmail.com or Bill Steckler 218-791-6162 billrealtorone@hotmail.com

RITUAL DIVAN



Potato Bowl weekend is on the way with the always fantastic, exciting, over the top, bigger than life, Kem Shrine Potato Bowl Parade. This year a Potato Bowl Ceremonial is being added. Gather your Candidates, get petitions filled out and turned in and lets bring in enough new Nobles to help lead the parade.

The ceremonial schedule is as follows:

6:00 PM:

Have candidates at the Masonic Center for registration. During this time each unit will be given the time for a representative to "pitch" their Unit to the candidates.

6:45 PM:

A brief Kem meeting will be opened to ballot on candidates.

7:00 PM:

Ceremonial begins in the Auditorium.

7:40 PM(or so):

Fezzing.

8:00 PM:

Dance and party to the music of the Fabulous Armadillos at the City Center Park, sponsored by JLG Architects.

Vouch for your candidates, escort your candidates and lets bring a huge class of new Nobles to lead the Potato Bowl Parade on Saturday morning.

The Ritual Divan also has a 1999 Cadillac Limo for sale. The Limo was donated to the Ritual Divan by the EZ Riderz, some money was spent on mechanical repairs and that is as far as we got. Since all of the members are also members of other Units we normally have no members to parade, so we do not need a parade car. We do however need desperately to start replacing and refurbishing ceremonial costumes, and they are expensive. All of the proceeds from the sale of the limo will go to the costume fund.

It is very difficult to find a value for this fine vehicle and so far the best information I have been able to find gives it a value of about \$2500.00. So that is the starting price, offers will be entertained and if multiple Units have an interest, a bidding war would be great. Remember all the proceeds of the sale of this vehicle will go to a costume fund. The car is currently parked behind the Circus Barn. Please direct any test drive requests, questions, offers, bids or cash can be directed to Greg Bryson, 218-779-0343. If I do not answer please leave a message, I will call you back.

The Ritual Divan will hold a regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday September 7, 2016 at 6:30 PM in the Costume room, on the Auditorium level at the Masonic Center. We will be finalizing cast members for the Potato Bowl Ceremonial and regular business.

Yours in Shrinedom,

Greg Bryson

LAKE REGION FLAG CORP



The Lake Region Flag Corps is excited about our newest member, Jim Light, and his Lady, Erin! Jim was created a new Shriner at the Spring Ceremonial in Grand Forks on June 4th, after which he marched in his first parade with a Red Solo Cup adorned with a black tassel atop his head. We celebrated Jim and Erin's membership at the tropical Pote's Party that evening where a good time was had by all.

As tradition holds, we were honored to lead the Relay for Life and Fourth of July parades in Devils Lake earlier this summer. On July 9th we were invited to march in the Esmond 115th anniversary celebration parade, which was a big success. Thank you to our own Barry Mawby for his part in our involvement!

The Midwest in Marquette was well attended by the

Flag Corps and we had a grand time amongst many friends from several Kem units. A big thank you to Lynn & Cheryl and their Potentate's aides & their ladies for the wonderful hospitality room throughout the weekend and the delicious Kem party after the Thursday night parade! Marquette and the other "Yoopers" could not have been friendlier and were very appreciative of our presence in their fine city. As we headed west after the Saturday morning parade, many of us took the Kem Band's recommendation and stopped at UP Chuck's in Kenton, MI for pizza. Soon after we arrived, in came more and more familiar Kem faces, so we continued our Midwest fun as we trekked west across the UP. The bar was silent for a bit as the "Shrine Hospitals Love to the Rescue" commercial was on the TV – a very exclusive experience!

Our annual picnic was held on Sunday, August 21st at Marcus Johnson's home on East Bay of Devils Lake. We enjoyed our traditional "Homer Dogs" and burgers cooked by our local Nobles as well as numerous other goodies and beverages. A big thank you to Marcus and our president, Everett Ritterman, for organizing this day of fun and fellowship.

The Lake Region Flag Corps is hosting the Uniformed Units meeting in Devils Lake on September 8th, so please plan to attend. We are also looking forward to hosting the Kem Tailgate party at the UND football game on October 1st. This is a new venture for us where we hope a multitude of people will learn more about Shrinedom and enjoy some outstanding food!

ATTENTION LADIES

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PROVOST NEWS

The Provost has an announcement, we have added to our family, we have purchased another 59 Ford and are in the process of converting it into another cop car, we plan on having Provost #3 ready to parade next March at the St Paddy's Day Parade.

What a busy year it has been, starting with the circus, many parades, our annual Provost golf tournament in June, with the drawing of our \$100 raffle. We just returned from the MSA in Marquette where the Provost had 10 nobles parading, and KEM was very well represented. So what is next, let's see, Potato Bowl parade, parade at Stump Lake, the Provost will be hosting tailgating at the UND football game October 28th, Tables DuJour is also on October 28th, and then it is time to start to think about the Kids Christmas party and Units Christmas party on December 3rd, as you can see there is still plenty to do.



NEW SHRINERS FROM JUNE CEREMONIAL

KEM QUARTERLY MEETING

Thursday, October 13, 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 the purpose of hearing reports and conducting regular business. Admittance by your 2016 dues card. Please wear your Fez.

Attest

Yours in the Faith,

Dale Duchscherer

Dale Duchscherer

PP, Recorder

Lynn Misialek

Lynn Misialek

Potentate



20th Annual Shrine Football Game Events
September 16-17, 2016
Bemidji, Minnesota



Friday, September 16

- 9:30 AM – 3:00 PM Screening Clinic**
Sanford Bemidji Orthopedic & Sports Clinic,
1300 Anne St. NW, Bemidji
Contact: Kevin Lind (218) 751-0060
- 11:30 AM Beaver Pride Luncheon**
Bemidji Town & Country Club, 2425 Birchmont Beach Rd, Bemidji
Cost is \$9.00
Program provided by Shriners and Beaver Pride.
All Shriners and all BSU fans are welcome.
- 1:00 PM Golf Tournament**
Bemidji Town & Country Club, 2425 Birchmont Beach Rd, Bemidji
Play 18 holes of golf - including a cart - for only \$50.
- 6:00 PM Informal Social Hour – Mixer**
Bemidji Town & Country Club, 2425 Birchmont Beach Rd, Bemidji
Hors d'oeuvres - Cash Bar – Dinner menu available

Saturday, September 17

- 9:00 AM Punt Pass and Kick Competition**
For Boys and Girls ages 6 -15, at BSU Practice Field
Sponsored by the Bemidji Jaycees
- 2:00 PM Parade Form Up**
County Parking Lot on Irvine Ave, between 7th and 8th Streets
Enter from 7th or 8th St.
- 3:00 PM Parade - Downtown Bemidji**
East on 8th St. to Minnesota Ave,
South on Minnesota Ave. to 3rd St,
East on 3rd St. to Beltrami Ave,
North on Beltrami Ave. to 8th St, and
West on 8th St. to return to the starting point.
- After the Parade Tailgate Party – Diamond Point Park**
Birchmont Drive next to the BSU Football Stadium
Free food and beverage for Shriners wearing a FEZ.
- 6:00 PM Football Game**
BSU Beavers vs. Wayne State (NE)
Half-time Presentation by Shriners



For questions or further information, contact: Joe Dunn, Chairperson
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PARADE PHOTOS



POTENTATE'S PARTY



IMPERIAL SHRINE



KAREN DUNN GETS LUCKY AT MIDWEST

We had three lucky winners in our Drum and Bugle raffle in Marquette, Michigan on Saturday August 8th.

First prize of \$1,500 went to Past Potentate Chuck Churchill and his buddy Harry Bushaw.

Second prize of \$1,000 went to lucky Karen Dunn of Bemidji.

Third prize of \$500 went to lucky Emily Stainbrook of Crookston.

Thanks to all for participating in our Drum and Bugle raffle.

MAY-PORT KEYSTONE KOPS

The Kops, like most units have been busy with parades and participating in community events. Our parade schedule has been limited as we have participated in seven parades this year, as we want some open weekends for our Kops to enjoy family outings also. This seems to work as we have had great participation in the parades we have done. Like the Chinese New Year where they have a year of the seven, our year seems to be the "Year of the Flat Tire", as we have had four - three on a trailer and one on a pickup. But never the less we still made the parades. We helped with the Shrine football camp assisting with dorm room pre-check, checking in, assisting at movie night, and picnic. Hats off to Dale and the committee for another successful year.

In August we served the Uniform Units council meeting, and presented an Honorary Keystone Cop award to "Stan the Man" Dakken on his 80th birthday. At the Northwood parade we were privileged to have Potentate Lynn ride in the PADDY WAGON keeping law and order, well, maybe law.

Upcoming events; we will be participating in the Farmers Bowl at Mayville State University and Homecoming parades. We are planning a member gathering to thank the members for their dedication in keeping the Keystone Kops afloat.

In closing, we had an April first Tomfoolery party, we gave away a car. Past Potentate Lowell Domier, assisted by Potentate Lynn, pulled the winning name, in which the winner was?

Hope this finds everyone well and looking forward to seeing you at future events.



GREETINGS AGAIN FROM THE MOBIL NOBLES

Wow!!!! Where has the summer gone? August already... So far the Mobil Nobles have been participating in many parades, including Warren, Manvel, Northwood and Mountain. The most recent parade the Mobil Nobles were in was the annual MSA in Marquette, MI. From what I hear, it was a lot of fun as the beautiful days there turned into late nights...

Again this year we were a corporate sponsor for the annual Andy Brown Golf Tournament at Valley Golf Course. A good turnout of 17 4-man teams challenged each other and Mother Nature as she sporadically dampened the day. After all was said and done (and dried off), more significant dollars were raised for the "Red Fez Fund". A big shout-out to Matt Brown, Larry Bakke and Kirk Driscoll for coordinating this fun event.

We are looking forward to a few more events, especially

the September 17th Potato Bowl parade in beautiful Grand Forks. The Mobil Nobles will again be preparing & serving breakfast for all Nobile & family members before the parade. It will be at the "Circus Barn" on Dyke Ave beginning at 7 AM. Any unit can come to this free-will donation event. Come unload your equipment, have an awesome breakfast, then proceed to the staging area from the barn. Refreshments after the parade will also be there after you load up your equipment. Than we can all proceed to tailgating before the big football game where the flagship school of North Dakota will play South Dakota. By the way, what a great speech head football coach of UND Bubba Schweigert gave for the Uniform Units meeting. The Mobil Nobils will also be hosting tailgating on November 12th. Mark your calendar. Well...Until next time Cheers!!

NEW MINOT MASTER MASONS



ON JULY 22ND FOUR MASTER MASONS WERE MADE KEM NOBLES AT THE MINOT MASONIC CENTER. PICTURED FROM LEFT TO RIGHT ARE TIM SCHNIEDERMAN, KIRT HELMERS, JAMISON LEE AND CALVIN BIRDINGROUND. THEY HAVE DEMONSTRATED A DEVOTION TO BE GOOD MASONS AND NO DOUBT WILL MAKE VALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS AS KEM SHRINERS. CONGRATULATIONS ON MAKING THIS IMPORTANT STEP.

KEM SHRINE POTATO BOWL PARADE 2017

This year's Kem Shrine Potato Bowl Parade steps off at 10:30 AM. **Attention to all! We will be doing the downtown parade route.** This is a change from last year and we will be lining up behind the YMCA downtown Grand Forks. Kem has been moved up in the parade lineup to accommodate those that also want to get to Bemidji for the Minnesota Shrine Bowl game.

Immediately following the parade, tailgating will ensue at the Alerus Center in preparation for the 4 PM kickoff between the Fighting Hawks of North Dakota and South Dakota. Lots of food and some beverages are provided, you are encouraged to bring your own beverage. This games tailgate experience is sponsored by Kem's 4th Floor club.

If you have any questions, please contact Ryan Scott at 701-740-5211 or email at ryan_scott@sstransport.com.

For the last several years, Shriners International has been developing new tools to help increase awareness of the fraternity. One of those ongoing efforts is the website **beashrinernow.com**, which was created specifically as a way for interested potential members to learn about the fraternity, easily and quickly.

“**beashrinernow.com** has been an extremely helpful resource in recruiting new members,” said Randy Rudge, membership development director of Shriners International. “In today’s world, everything is about convenience, and the website allows prospective members to signup, petition and learn about the great benefits of being a Shriner in a matter of minutes.”

To help bring traffic to the website, Shriners International Headquarters has put together a marketing campaign. Online banner ads for **beashrinernow.com** are available on Shriners Village, as well as print ads and inserts that were created for temples to hand out to prospective members.

The website is a terrific educational resource for potential members. Information on the site helps explain the relationship between the Masonic Order and Shriners International, and there is also a video about the fraternity’s history. Site visitors can learn about the fraternity’s connection with Shriners Hospitals for Children® and take a virtual tour of one of the hospitals.

beashrinernow.com also helps answer any questions about the necessary steps to becoming a Master Mason and Shriner. If, after reviewing the process, an individual would like to pursue



membership, all he has to do is select “The Next Step” tab, fill out a short questionnaire, and he will be paired with a virtual mentor.

One of the great byproducts of **beashrinernow.com** is the interaction membership candidates have with their virtual mentors. Virtual mentors are Shriners who are active in their temple and Masonic Lodges and have volunteered to guide interested applicants through the membership process.

Candidates are paired with virtual mentors who best suit their professional and personal interests. The mentor becomes a trusted friend and advisor through exchanges of knowledge about Freemasonry and becoming a Shriner. The process is intended to re-create the Masonic teaching of developing close, trusting relationships with prospective Masons through personal communication.

Statistics prove that **beashrinernow.com** is helping the fraternity more effectively reach a younger demographic, given that the average age for these new members has been 32. This number is especially interesting to Shriners, since one of the fraternity’s co-founders, Dr. Walter Fleming, was the same age when he developed the concept of the fraternity.

By continuing to spread awareness with initiatives like **beashrinernow.com**, we look forward to recruiting more exceptional men to the “world’s greatest fraternity.”



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POTENTATES BALL



Minot Shrine Club

You are cordially invited to attend the Annual Potentates Ball at the Vegas Motel in Minot on Saturday, October 8th 2016. The Minot Shrine Club will host the event for our Illustrious Potentate Lynn Misialek and Lady Cheryl.

Schedule of Events

Shrine Ceremonial 3:30 PM at the Masonic Center 2524 Burdick Expressway
East (by the Fair Grounds)

Registration 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM (Vegas Motel)

Banquet

6 PM Social Hour (cash bar)

7 PM Entrance and introduction of KEM Divan, Potentates, dignitaries and ladies

7:15 PM Toasts

7:30 PM Banquet

Presentation of fezzes

Program

Presentation of gifts

Remarks from Illustrious Sir Lynn Misialek, Potentate of KEM Shriners

There will be Music and dancing until 1 AM

Other Information

Dress; Men: Business to Formal

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PLEASE make your Banquet reservations by October 3rd 2016.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September

- 8 Divan/Uniformed Units Meeting - Devil's Lake
- 16 Ceremonial - Grand Forks
- 17 Potato Bowl Parade
- One Day Masonic Class in Williston
- 24 Wild Hog Marathon
- 30 Hopscotch Night - Masonic Center

October

- 8 Potentated Ball in Minot
- 12 Masonic Building Board Meeting
- 13 KEM Board of Trustee's/Divan/Uniformed Units Meeting - Grand Forks
- 15 Williston Ceremonial & Pheasant Hunt
- 29 KEM Tables Dujour
- 30 Shrine Hospital for Children Fed Ex Golf Tournament-Las Vegas

November

- 1-6 Shrine Hospital for Children Fed Ex Golf Tournament-Las Vegas
- 9 Masonic Building Board Meeting
- 10 Divan/Uniformed Units Meetings
- 12 Masonic One-day Class – Grand Forks

December

- 3 KEM Ceremonial/Shrine Kids Christmas Party/Uniformed Units Christmas Party
- 8 Divan/Uniformed Units Meetings

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IS MEMBERSHIP MORE THAN A DOT?

by Wayne Bauste, PP

Have you even been given a blank sheet of paper? And on this paper is a small black dot. Then you are asked what you see. Most individuals will say they only see the black dot. But . . . does that black dot explain the whole story on that page? Because how would you explain the vast area other than the black dot.

To some Nobles that dot is our usual dues notice of \$65. The dot/dues does NOT explain what the entire page/Shrine is doing with your yearly dues.

What does the blank space on each page represent? Is it our ceremonies held each January, March, June, September or December? Or is it the mini-ceremonies held from Williston to Bemidji and from the Canadian border to Highway 200?

Maybe it's the monthly units meetings held at various locations each month, which all Nobles are encouraged to attend. Is it the summer parades held each year, which help to spread the Shrine message? Or is it the Shrine Circus held each April to create funds to defray Shrine Center costs? (This means lower dues for each Shriner.) The Hospital bus trip held each May for Shriners who want to visit the Twin Cities Hospital; most years, Shriners get the opportunity to attend a Twins game the same weekend. Maybe we all need to attend the Shrine Football banquet each July. This banquet shares the Shrine Hospital story to families and players and is enlightening to all Nobles in attendance.

It could be the Midwest Shrine Conference held each August. This year it was held in Marquette, Michigan and KEM had the largest contingency in attendance. Football fans can attend a tailgate party at each UND

home football game where a Unit is assigned to host an assigned game each year. In addition, each Unit has their own social events planned for the own Unit. These events encourage fun, fellowship and philanthropy.

About half of your dues go to Shriners Hospitals. There have been many public service announcements. How can you forget Alec? We have 22 Hospitals to support, and if you have heard ONE patient's story you know the importance of our Shrine Hospital mission.

Nobles, our dues are \$65 a year. (That is \$5.42 a month or \$16.25 a quarter or 18 cents a day.) Total Shrine membership on July 1, 2016 was 257,012. In 2015 we lost 12,572 Shriners. We all need to help the Membership Committee with recruitment of new members, restoration of past members and retention of our present membership.

KEM has had 17 years of consecutive membership growth and much work is needed to achieve No. 18. As is common, as we get older, we may not remain as active. However, the mission of the Shrine continues to demand membership and dues. We were all younger once, and even those days older members helped to maintain the Shrine organization.

At your next Shrine meeting, I ask you to take a moment to look around and canvas the room and ask yourself one question: "How many of these men would I know if not for the Shrine?"

I challenge each member to not see the black dot, but to see the activities and events that KEM Shrine does each year. We encourage all Nobles to pay your dues. **We need you.**

UND TAILGATE SCHEDULE

Sept 17 Potato Bowl UND Fight Hawks vs South Dakota	4 PM kickoff	4th Floor Club
Oct 1 Military Appreciation UND " vs Cal Poly	1 PM	Devils Lake Flag Corp
Oct 15 Home Coming UND Fighting Hawks vs Southern Utah	1 PM	Crookston Clowns
Oct 29 Band Day UND Fighting Hawks vs Weber State	1 PM	Provost
Nov 12 Senior Recognition Day UND " vs Northern Arizona	1 PM	Mobile Nobles



YOU ARE ALL INVITED TO "HOPSCOTCH" NIGHT

By Fred Kitko

On Sept 30th, the Fourth Floor Club is hosting the 4th annual Hopscotch Night. This fun and social event will be held in the "Tree-Top Lounge", located on the top floor of the Grand Forks Masonic Center, which overlooks the city of Grand Forks. Doors officially open at 6PM with the festivities continuing until they are done! There will be live music from 8PM-10PM provided by Moon Shines Red.

Hopscotch means "hops and scotch". In keeping with the tradition and theme of the evening please bring a six pack or growler of your favorite (or unique type) of beer/ale, etc. ("hops") that you are willing to share with the group; or bring a bottle of your favorite scotch, bourbon or whiskey ("scotch") that you are willing to share. We will have sampler cups and ice tubs galore.

You need not be a member of the Fourth Floor Club to attend. All Masons, Shriners and guests are welcome! There will be a good variety of beverage friendly fare available, and to help with our food costs there will be a \$5.00 admission charge for members, but all guests are free! So we can help plan for the amount of food we kindly request an RSVP to kemffc@gmail.com or you can call me at 218-779- 2965.

We look forward to seeing you there!

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