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POTENTATE'S MESSAGE



Greetings fellow Nobles,

It was one heck of a winter, but we are finally into some warmer weather. Grand Forks, Williston and Minot Shrine Clubs held their circuses. There was great attendance at all three cities. Minot and Grand Forks sold out of their novelties. Thank you to all the workers, especially the Ladies, that donated their time and efforts to help us with each performance. Over 80 school buses, loaded with children, chaperones and drivers from over 100 miles away, came to see the circus in Minot. A special thanks to Dan Henes for managing the program that brings so many out-of-town children to Minot for the circus. I thank everyone for your efforts and for the courtesies extended to me. I got to ride my first elephant at the Minot circus!

The **Spring Ceremony** will be in Grand Forks, ND. The dates June 3-4, 2022. Friday night there will be a hospitality room at the Best Western Hotel on 32nd Avenue So. At 9:30am on Saturday, there will be a Ceremony for Shrine candidates at the Masonic Center. Please have your candidates at the center by 9am. The Shrine parade (line up at 12:30) will start (1:00) at the South Middle School on 47th Ave. So and ends at the Masonic Park, 40th Ave So. The Oasis, right after the parade, is at the Masonic Park, hosted by the 4th Floor club, and ends at 3:30pm. Saturday evening is the Potentate's Ball in the Ball Room of the Masonic Center. Dress code is tuxes for Divan and semiformal for Nobles and their Ladies. Price is \$25.00 for one or \$40.00 per couple. Children under 12 are free.

The **Imperial Session for Shriners International** will be held July 2-7, 2022, at the Minneapolis Convention Center. This year commemorates the 150th anniversary of our beloved fraternity, "The Shriners,". This year, 2022, also marks 100 years of our hospitals helping children. There will

be a parade on Tuesday July 5th for Units that want to participate. There are many hotels, for your choosing, in the area and close to the Convention Center.

The **Midwest Shrine Association**, hosted by the BEJA Shriners, will be held in Green Bay, Wisconsin on August 17-20. Everyone loves the Midwest and BEJA has gone out of their way to make it especially enjoyable this year. In addition to the normal Shrine activities and competitions BEJA has added a Pistol shooting contest, Moonshine Tasting and a Carnival! There will be time for you to take in the sights and visit Lambeau Field. The Midwest parade will be on Thursday, August 18th and Saturday morning August 20th. For more information visit bejashriners.com. If there are enough Nobles and their Ladies interested in traveling by bus, arrangements can be made. You must contact me asap. (701-460-7144). For registration and hotels see brochure in this Burning Sands issue.

At the Divan Board meeting in April the members voted and approved the raising of traveling expenses for children going to the Shriners Children's Hospital in Minneapolis. Travel pay will increased from .17 cents to .30 cents per mile. We also approved a \$25.00 per day per diem meal expense. So far this year we have spent about \$6,200 from the Red Fez on travel.

Our 100-gun raffle will kick off the first of June with a drawing on November 12th. Added to the evening of the drawing will be more food, other raffles, and games.

Shriners International is losing by demit, deaths and suspensions about 5000 nobles every month. It's for this reason that we should always think about bringing in new members. These nobles will someday replace us. So, if you know of a good Mason that would enjoy the Shrine and what we stand for and do, give him a petition.

Nobles, Thank you for being a Shriner and what you do.

Respectfully yours and in the faith, **Ron Penfold**



ASSISTANT RABBAN SCHOOL By: Steve Renslow

Kim & I attended the Assistant Rabban School in Tampa Florida on April 4, 5 & 6. It was an honor for us to represent Kem Shrine at this event. They kept us very busy for the entire 3 days. Some of the training breakouts were for the Ladies and the Nobles together. Other breakouts were separate. Some of the topics talked about were Shrine Hospitals and patients, Shrine Law, budget preparation, insurance issues, membership and fundraising. The breakouts were presented by members of the Imperial Divan and the Imperial Leadership Team. Imperial Sir William Bailey and his wife Debby were there for information and motivation. Matt and Mandii Sturlaugson from Fargo were also presenters at the school. All of the Leadership Team had excellent information for us. Kim and I both learned a lot.

Not all of the 3 days were in meetings. They had fun events planned for us in the evening and we met people from all over the country. A big part of attending is a chance to meet your counterparts from other Shrine Centers. We could exchange information and get ideas from each other about membership and fundraising.

2022 is the 150th year of Shriners and the 100th year of Shrine Hospitals. After attending the Assistant Rabban School and hearing about future plans from the Imperial leadership, Kim and I believe the future of Shriners and the Shriners Children's Hospital system has a bright future.



2022 Shrine Bowl

The ND Shrine Football game is the largest fund raiser for Shriners Children. The Shrine Bowl has three primary goals. The first is to honor high school athletes who have not only excelled on the football field, but who also display the qualities of young men with high character. Second, the Shrine Bowl is held to promote awareness and raise money for the Shriners Health Care System. There are currently more than 350 children throughout North Dakota who are active patients of Shriners. Shriners Children is committed to providing the best care for children in the specialty areas of orthopedics, burn care, spinal cord injury, and cleft lip and palate, regardless of a family's ability to pay. The third goal of the North Dakota Shrine Bowl is to inform the public about the charity and seek out more children who the Shriners may be able to help.

Our games will include the best high school players from North Dakota and NW Minnesota. The games will be played in the oldest (1941) active college stadium in ND.

Agenda for the day:

- 9:30 am Parade step-off (Oasis following parade for Shriners)
- 10:30 am Banquet at Lewy Lee Fieldhouse
- 4:00 pm 11 Man game will start at 4:00 pm
- 7:00 pm 9 Man game will start at 7:00 pm (approximately ½ hour after the first game).



There will be Concessions and food trucks available prior to and during game from 2:00pm – 8:00pm.

Many pregame activities including bouncy houses, face painting, Tailgating for all Shriners and parents of players plus many more activities.

Hotel and camping options.

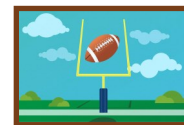
- Hometown Inn 701-786-9081
- The Willowood Campground 701-430-7177
- Evans Campground 701-430-9198



All fans are reminded to bring lawn chairs and blankets due to limited seating and are encouraged to view the game anywhere in the bowl inside Jerome Berg Field.



This will be a great day! Hope to see you there!



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Proceeds benefit Grand Forks
Masonic Center Preservation
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For tickets contact Steve Renslow
701-741-3621



Grand Forks Masonic Center Preservation Association

Motorcycle Raffle

You can purchase tickets to win a Harley Davidson motorcycle! Jim Senske, from Senske and Son (S & S) Transfer, has generously donated a 1998 Harley Davidson Road King, with only 12,600 miles, to the Preservation Association. This motorcycle is in excellent condition.

Also listed on the ticket are 4 other prizes: a Smith & Wesson Sport 2 AR; Diamond Edge bow package; Ruger Mark IV 22LR pistol and a Vortex 10 X 50 binoculars.

The proceeds from this raffle will go to the Masonic Building Corporation for needed repairs in the building. Individuals, Units, Lodges, etc can purchase and sell tickets. This is a great way to help support the building upkeep. The drawing will be held on September 14th, 2022 at the Masonic Center in Grand Forks. You do not need to be present to win.

The Preservation Association will need help selling these raffle tickets. It would be greatly appreciated if you would help by selling a book (or2)!

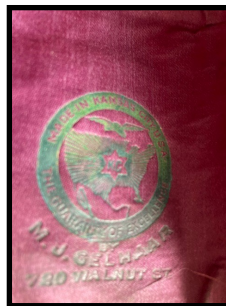
For raffle books contact Steve Renslow at 701-741-3621.

The Grand Forks Masonic Center Preservation Association is a charitable 501 (c)3 organization. This gives the Preservation Association the ability to accept contributions and donations that are tax-deductible to the donor. The proceeds from the donations are used to help maintain the Masonic Center building in Grand Forks. If you would like to donate money or property to the GFMCPA for a tax deduction please contact a member of the Preservation Association. The current President is Tom Moe, PP.

RED FEZ REPORTS:

Kem Shrine has helped 25 patients this year with travel and lodging expenses totaling \$6000.00.

Great job contributing Nobles! You make this possible with your generosity and kindness!



This old Fez was given to Mobil Noble Todd Paulson. The name listed on the inside is M. J. Gellhaar, 720 Walnut Street



Tammy and Roger Schmitz found this on a wall at the Corn Palace, Mitchell, SD



2022 Divan



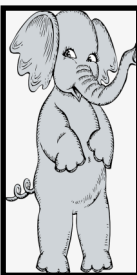
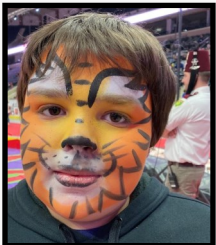
A SIGN OF FELLOWSHIP!





THANKS

Ron Bergh PP and his circus committee put in many hours before, during and after the Shrine Circus to make it a success.



I know some days we all(me for sure)lose faith in humanity at certain times in life that there are still true, kind, and honest people in the world today!! Today we were shown the good does exist from this young gal..... We did not get her name due to the excitement of Hailey but I did get a quick picture and Hailey gave a Huge Hug..... Her parents have done a great job by raising her well 🍌🍌🍌 This gal won the bike drawing today at the Shrine Circus and after the Circus was over we grabbed food for the road home and were waiting when this girl come up and asked me if she could give this bike to our daughter as she felt it was too small for her and had no-one else to give it to..... well of course Hailey was excited 😊 So we came home with a new bike due to this girls kindness 🍌🍌🍌



April 22, 1966

Dear Sirs

Thank you for providing a Shrine circus ticket for me. I like going to the circus because it is fun. But after one circus my mom said that we couldn't go to any more circuses. I Thank you again for the ticket.

Sincerely,
Emily Bell



Lady Emily found this letter 36 years after she wrote it and explains that her mom took 9 siblings and a few other cousins to the circus on this particular day!

BEHIND THE SCENES AT THE CIRCUS



These ladies, and more, work many hours to provide delicious cotton candy for the circus shows. JoAnn Brown has worked 40 plus years making cotton candy for the circus. She and Lolly Moran, who has 25 years experience making the candy, started when the circus was at the Hyslop Arena. When the circus moved to the "Ralph" 22 years ago, Sheila Swanberg joined them. Also pictured are Janie Fetch (5 yrs), Carol Smaaladen (4 yrs), Dee Crawford (3 yrs) and Shelley Paulson (3 yrs.) The Shriners cannot thank these women enough for their contribution to making the circus a success. THANK YOU ! (Their fearless leader, Joey Bjornson, is in the background. They do have fun!)



Cotton candy sales were FANTASTIC!

There are many more that make the Circus a success. Thank You!



Ed Duke has been working the Shrine Circus for 46 years. He has been a member of the fellowship for 69 years. He was in the Thief River Falls, MN Oriental Band. Ed said the unit disbanded in the 1970's. Ed has been working at the red toy station, which sold out this year as did all the other stations! Ed drove from Grand Rapids, Mn to be part of the Shrine Circus again! Thank you Ed for your years of dedication. I found this photo online for those of you who didn't have the pleasure of seeing the TRF Oriental Band. Ed, which one is you?!



Eldon and Lynda Leino, Bemidji, MN, started replacing batteries and fixing circus toys in 1989 when the circus was at the Hyslop. He talked about being able to have balloons at the Hyslop. If you have ever met Eldon chances are you received a hug and possibly got this Hug poem:

It's wondrous what a hug can do,
A hug can cheer you when you're blue.
A hug can say, "I love you so"
Or, "Gee, I hate to see you go."
A hug is "Welcome back again!"
And "Great to see you, where've you been?"
A hug can soothe a small child's pain
And bring a rainbow after rain
The HUG! There's just no doubt about it.
We scarcely could survive without it!
A hug delights and warms and charms
It must be why God gave us arms.
A hugs are great for fathers and for mothers.
Sweet for sisters, swell for brothers.
And chances are some favorite aunts
Love them more than potted plants!
Kittens crave them, puppies love them,
Heads of state are not above them.
A hug can break the language barrier
And make your travels so much merrier.
No need to fret about the store of 'em
The more you give, the more there are of 'em
So stretch those arms without delay
And give someone a hug today

THANKS FOR YOUR YEARS OF DEDICATION.

Eldon and Lynda have many others that help with getting toys distributed to the toy stations. Many thanks to all of them.

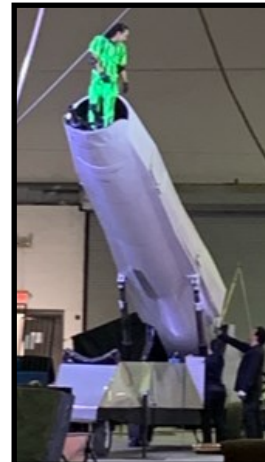
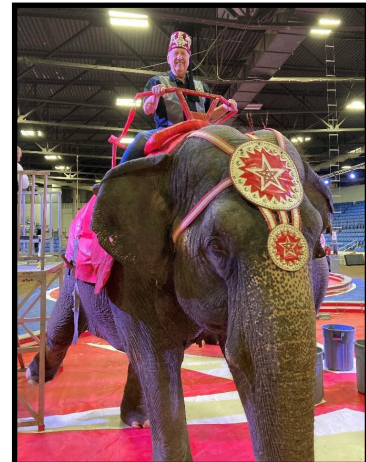


Eastern Star, Crookston Shrine Club, Color Guard, Demolay and the Rainbow girls helped with many tasks including transporting people with disabilities.





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2022 KEM CALENDER OF EVENTS

All events are in Grand Forks except noted otherwise

June 4 Spring Ceremonial and picnic at Masonic Park, Grand Forks. If inclement weather, it will be held at the Masonic Center.

Music and another meal that evening at the Masonic Center. Divan wears tux, semi formal dress for others.

June 9

Board of Directors Meeting 6 pm

June 18

North Dakota Shrine football, Mayville ND

Jul 2-7

Imperial Shrine Session, Minneapolis

July 14

Trustee Meeting 2 pm

Board of Directors Meeting 4 pm

Quarterly and Units Meeting 6 pm

August 11

Board of Directors Meeting 6 pm

August 17-20

Midwest Summer session, Green Bay WI

September 8

Board of Directors Meeting 6 pm

September 17

Potato Bowl Parade and cook out at Masonic Center

October 13

Trustee Meeting 2 pm

Board of Directors Meeting 4 pm

Quarterly and Units Meeting 6 pm

October 22

Potentates Ball, Minot

October 29

Tables Du Jour

November 10

Board of Directors Meeting 6 pm

November 12

Gun Raffle drawing

December 3

KEM Kids Christmas party, 11 am

Shrine Ceremonial 2 pm

KEM Christmas party 5 pm

More to come

December 8

Board of Directors Meeting 6 pm

January 6, 2023

Trustee Meeting 10 am

Divan and Past Potentates meeting 12 am

January 7, 2023

Annual Meeting and Installation of Officers 9 am

Fish Fry 11 am

January 7, 2023

Ladies luncheon, Registration 10:30 am, luncheon 11 am

June

4 spring ceremonial Grand Forks

5 Erskine 5:00

11 Finley 10:00

18 Mayville Shrine Bowl 9:30

18 Aneta 2:00

18 St Thomas 10:00

25 Argyle 12:00

25 Grafton 10:00

26 Minto 12:00

July

3 Bemidji 1:00

4 Hatton 10:00

4 Park River 11:00

4 Walhalla 10:30

9 Steven 2:00

10 Fertile 2:00

13 Thief River Falls 7:00

16 Larimore 11:00

20 Warren 6:00

23 Manvel 10:30

23 Northwood 11:00

23 Minot State Fair Parade 9:15

30 Mountain 10:30

August

13 Karlstad 10:30

18 MSA Green Bay 5:30

20 MSA Green Bay 10:30

20 Crookston 7:00

September

4 Stump Lake 1:00

5 Stump Lake 1:00

10 Potato Bowl 10:00

October

1 UND Homecoming



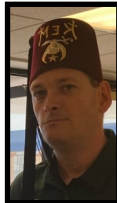
PARADE SCHEDULE



ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE 2022



Welcome new Shriners
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Jeff Erickson and Shaun Lewellyn



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Mobil Nobles displayed the carts at the Purpur Arena Car



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We want to say Thank You to all our wonderful sponsors and to all the families that joined us for our Annual Family Fun Day. Also thank you to the pilot who gave us a lil show.



MOBIL NOBLES



Drawing for their raffle was held on March 10.

Congratulations to the first prize winner, Robbie Bina.

Other winners were:

Duane Altendorf , Kevin Holwe-ger, and Dale Fritz



GRAFTON CYCLEERS



The Grafton Cycleers would like you to join them on June 26,2022 for the Summerfest Parade. Line up at 9 am in the Leistikow Park. Oasis at the shelter in the park after the parade. Fun events all day.

840 lbs of tabs cashed in at \$480! The Cycleers will send that and the proceeds from the burger sales to the Ladies Auxiliary. Thank you Ted and Darlene for all your time and work.



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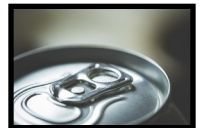
"Weiner" and Sarah Frederick

Married on 2-2-22 at 2:22!!



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Tables Du Jour

Saturday, October 29, 2022
10 am – 12 Noon

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Space is Limited,
To Reserve a Table

Call 701-215-3133, or email

KemTablesDuJour@gmail.com

If you're unable to join us for the brunch, and would still like to contribute, monetary donations and silent auction items will be graciously accepted.

Please call or email to make arrangements.

We hope you will join us for this fun event and help raise funds for Shriners Children's Twin Cities.

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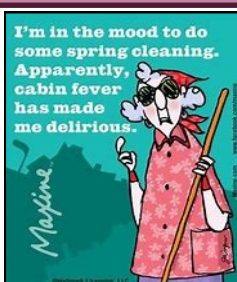
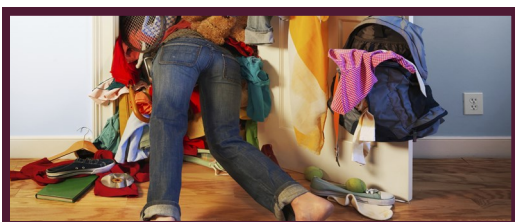
Ladies Corner

"Don't regret knowing the people who came into your life. Good people give you happiness. Bad ones give you experience. The worst ones give you lessons and the best people give you memories."

— Unknown

*Ladies have fun at parades too!
Come to the parades with your
Shriner and enjoy the day.*

HELP NEEDED: Please give reminders to your Shriner to submit events and points of interest to the editor of the *Burning Sands*. It keeps us all connected and informed. Ladies can submit too!
jjulz@hotmail.com or text to 701-213-1859.



It has been a long winter and a dreary spring. Hoping we are on the path to a nice summer so we can enjoy all the parades and events and be with all the great people of the Kem Shrine. Spring cleaning has been happening at our home and the accomplishment is feeling good. Thankfully we were blessed with some sunny days to take care of the flower beds. Fingers crossed that the farmers can do their planting. Summer beauty is around the corner. Have a great summer filled with many blessings. I

2022 MIDWEST SHRINE ASSOCIATION, GREEN BAY WI.

Schedule of Events

Wednesday August 17, 2022

Registration 9:00am-6:00pm
MSA Marketplace 3:00-6:00pm
Radisson Conference Center
MSA Hospitality Room - 4:00-12:00am
Radisson Plaza Club Room

Shrine Circus Carnival

(Separate ticket purchase required)

6:00-10:00pm
Hosted Beer - Cash Bar
All Nobles, Ladies and Family
Counterparts meet and Greet
Celebrating 150 years of
Shriners International
Dinner 7:00
Herb Baked Chicken and Fixings
8:00-10:00
Casino and Carnival Games -
win tickets for
Bucket raffle prizes

Thursday August 18, 2022

Registration 8:00am-3:00pm
MSA Marketplace 8:00-4:00pm
Radisson Conference Center
MSA Hospitality Room -
Radisson Plaza Club Room
MSA Officers Breakfast/Meeting 8:00am
Radisson Conference Center

Thursday August 18, 2022

Continued

MSA Golf Outing 8:00-12:00
(Thornberry Creek Golf Course)
Enjoy sights/sounds of Green Bay
on your own 8:00-4:00
Pistol Shooting Competition
1:00pm-3:00pm
(Family Shooting Center)

MSA Parade Lineup - 4:00pm

MSA Parade step off - 5:30pm

OASIS - 7:00-10:00

Wisconsin Tailgate Party

Live Music Entertainment

Brats, Burgers, Pulled Pork,
Corn on the cob, potato salad, mac and
cheese, Creamy fruit salad, dessert bars
- Hosted Beer, Ice tea, Lemonade

Friday August 19, 2022

MSA Marketplace 8:00-4:00pm
Radisson Conference Center
MSA Hospitality Room -
Radisson Plaza Club Room

Competitions as Established

Motor Corp 8:00-1:00
Radisson Conference Parking Lot
Clown Competition 8:00-1:00
Radisson Bear Hall

Friday August 19, 2022

Continued

Ladies Luncheon 11:00-1:00
(Separate ticket purchase required)
Radisson Grand Council Ballroom
Plated Lunch - Pork Loin, Beef Tips or Grilled
vegetables with the fixings and dessert with Cash
Bar, Basket Raffles to support Imperial First Ladies
Program

Motor Corp Banquet 1:30-3:00

(Separate ticket purchase required)

Radisson Great Lakes Complex
Plated Lunch - Beef Tips over Mashed Potatoes
Past Potentate and Lady Reception
1:30-3:00 Beja Shrine Center

Midwest Shrine Clown Association

Banquet 4:00-5:30 Beja Shrine Center
Heavy appetizers and cash bar

Enjoy the sights of Green Bay -

1:00-6:30pm dinner own your own

MSA 2022 Shrine-a-Rama

Celebrating 100 Years of Shriners

Children's- 7:00-10:00pm

Radisson Three Clans Ballroom
Birthday Cake - later night pizza buffet
Live music and dancing

Big Mouth and the Power Tool Horns

Saturday August 20, 2022

MSA Parade Line up - 9:30

MSA Parade step off - 10:30

Oasis - 11:30

Sack Lunches available

Safe Travels Home

Registration Fees

Noble Registration.....\$85

Lady Registration.....\$85

(Registration covers all events not listed below)

Wednesday Welcome Party.....\$40

(Everyone invited for the fun and fellowship)

(Classic Herb Baked Chicken and fixings)

(Hosted Beer, Cash Bar, Games and Prizes)

Ladies Luncheon.....\$35

(Pork Loin/Beef Tips or Grilled Vegetables with
dessert - Cash Bar)

Motor Corp Banquet.....\$30

(Beef Tips with Potato's)

Clown Competition/Banquet.....\$25

(Heavy Appetizers and cash bar)

(Separate registration form required)

Golf Outing\$50

(9 holes with cart and Lunch)

Shooting Competition\$40

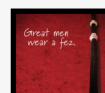
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LADIES LUNCHEON AND WHAT HER CHOICE OF MEAL
WILL BE.





Shriners Children's Twin Cities

We are just as excited as Leo to announce that we now offer a helmet therapy program! Children with [#plagiocephaly](#) (flat head) and [#torticollis](#) (wryneck) can now receive treatment, custom helmet orthoses and rehabilitation therapy in our clinic. To schedule an appointment, call 612-596-6105



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Children with orthopedic conditions, severe burns, spinal cord injuries, and cleft lip and palate, face challenges that most other kids don't. But their futures can be just as bright – when you help!



BLAST FROM THE PAST



It is my desire to become a **PERMANENT CONTRIBUTING MEMBER** to the Shriners Hospital for Children. Enclosed is my payment of \$150.00.

Membership No. _____

Name: _____

WHAT IS A PCM?

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